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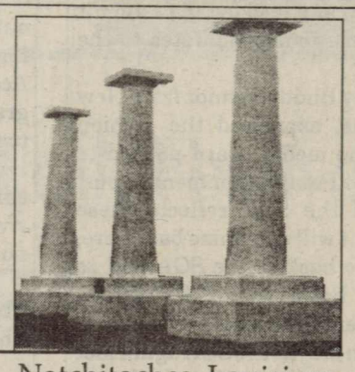

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# SGA rejects media board recommendation for KNWD manager

*Schneyer appointed interim manager for campus radio station*

The executive officers of the SGA appointed Sean Schneyer, a senior physics and computer science major, as acting general manager of KNWD for the summer amid controversy and confusion. Failure of the SGA to reach an agreement over a general manager for the radio station prompted the executive officers to act for the senate.

This is the most recent in a series of decisions which began with the routine Student Media Board meeting on April 28. The non-senate committee, which is made up of faculty and student members, meets each year to review applicants for the Editor-in-Chief positions of the *Potpourri*, *Current Sauce*, and *Argus*, and the General Manager of KNWD. The media board makes its recommendations, which the SGA usually approves without controversy. This year, however, problems plagued the approval process.

The first SGA meeting, called to approve the recommended candidates, passed the appointees for the *Current Sauce* editor, Jeff Guin, and the *Potpourri* editor, Jeremy Broussard. Several students appeared to complain that the appointee for KNWD, Sean Schneyer, and *Argus*, Amy Daldry, were not qualified or acceptable candidates, and the SGA did not approve either.

According to complainants, Daldry failed to meet the requirements for holding the *Argus* editorship because her application was late. Several *Argus* staff members spoke against Daldry, saying that she did little work for the magazine, and that she missed many meetings. Daldry was not present at the meeting to defend herself. Neither of the other applicants, Lisa Price and Jason Smith, met the requirements either; Price was a part-time student during the semester of the application, and Smith never served on the *Argus* staff.

Several staff members from KNWD appeared to speak for and against Schneyer. Some complained that he was "unprofessional" and that they would prefer not to work for him. Others spoke highly of him, and felt he would do a good job as general manager. Schneyer was chosen above the other two applicants, Jeff Burkett and Tommy Hazelwood, both junior broadcast journalism majors. The SGA decided to send both recommendations back to the media board for further consideration.

The Student Media Board met a second time on May 5. At this meeting, Fred Fulton, Dean of Students, said that the SGA's previous decisions were not valid because not enough members were present for an acceptable vote. Many students attended this meeting, and expressed opinions for and against the two controversial candidates. The

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# Gasoline fires put NSU Sports in hot seat

By HEATHER URENA
*The Current Sauce*

The Demons fired up for the SLC tournament.

The baseball team prepared for games the same way they always did following hard rains. They poured gasoline on the over-saturated diamond and ignited it to dry the fields.

Chief Rickie Williams said the tactic worked, but it "is actually a violation of the Environmental Protection Agency — with gasoline being a petroleum product."

When University Police heard what the team was planning, they went to advise the team not to do it — a little too late.

Lighting fields to remove water is a common practice all over the state.

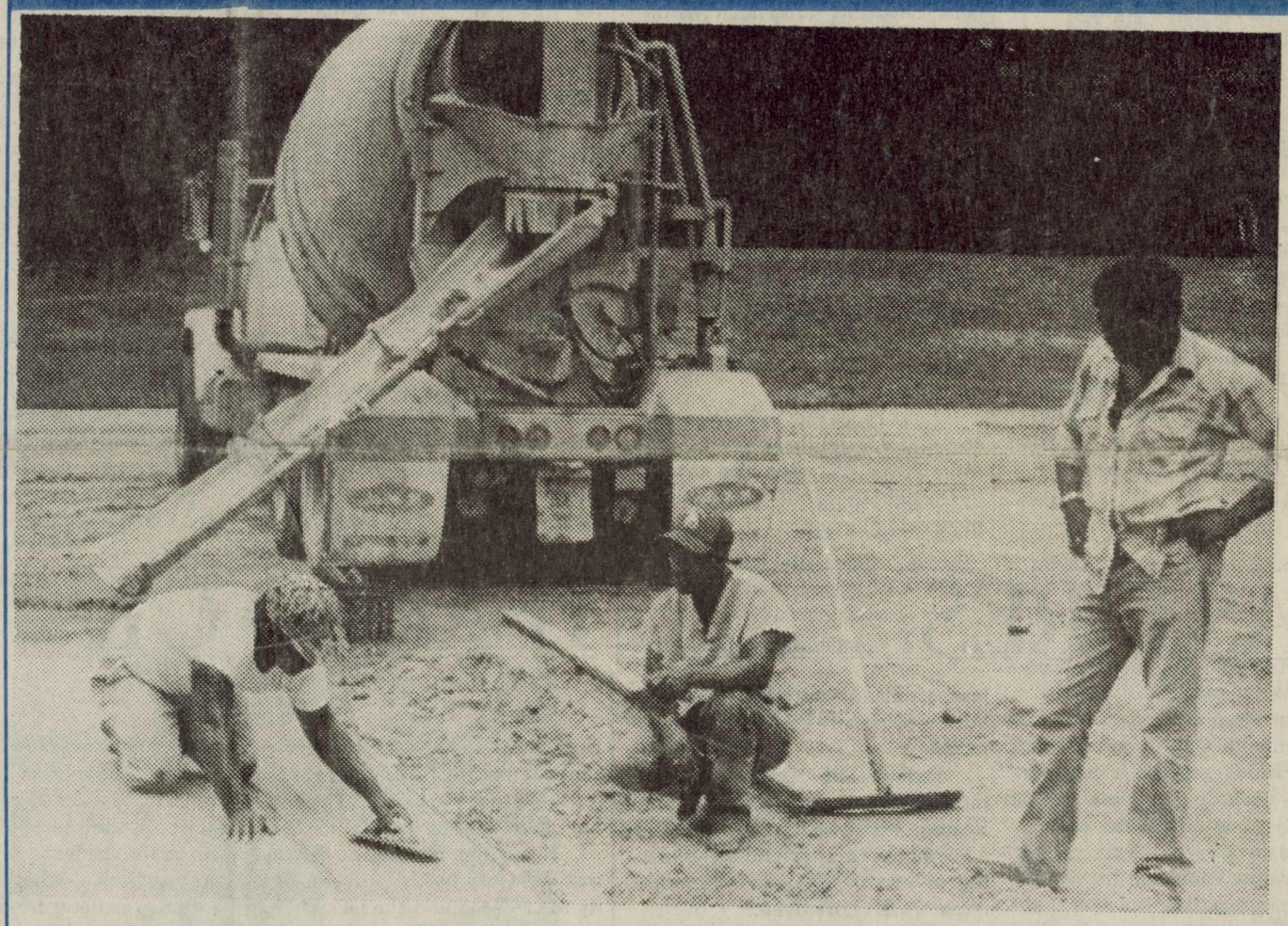
University police contacted environmental officials, but no further action was necessary.

"It is in violation, but they (DEQ officials) don't consider it a hazard because it was burned. Although, it does leave a small amount of oil in the ground, " Williams said.

The incident was caused because it was "something I overlooked. I take that responsibility," Tynes Hildebrand, athletic director, said. "I am very conscious of EPA standards because they are good. I am very much concerned with

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## Under Construction



**The Kyser Hall parking lot has been completely grated as a result of the campus beautification project. An update on the Kyser Hall project as well as other campus projects will be featured in the June 28 *The Current Sauce*.**

# Freshman Connection to help students adjust to college life

Incoming freshmen can get ahead by participating in Freshman Connection.

This is a summer program which includes a two-day visit to the campus by incoming freshmen. A parents' program is offered simultaneously to answer questions that they may have about university life.

Freshman Connectors, 20 NSU students, assist the incoming freshmen with the transition to college life.

The students are are given the opportunity to become familiar with the campus, preregistration, financial aid, housing and a number of other important activities on campus.

By the time their visit is complete, the students will have completed the registration process with the exception of fee payment.

Gail Jones, director of Student Support Services, said, "The program is designed to be both an orientation and a recruiting tool.

Many times Freshman Connection is the first experience a student has on campus, and this is one reason that so many hours of preparation and planning go into the program."

"We offer a Parents Orientation Program and give them an opportunity to meet and talk with administrators and staff on a firsthand basis," Linda Davis, assistant Freshman Connection coordinator, said. "With a program like this, parents can see exactly what Northwestern can offer their kids."

The SAB helps with Freshman Connection by providing disc jockeys for the dances on Thursday nights, by hosting the Organization Expo on the first night of every session, and assisting with planned activities.

The Organization Expo also gives the students an idea of what Northwestern can offer.

Approximately 30 groups are positioned at tables with representatives and information to raise student awareness and interest.

# Seven vie for title

By JANE BALDWIN
*The Current Sauce*

On Saturday, seven Northwestern students including Miss Lady of the Bracelet, Rebecca Bacle, will compete in the Miss Louisiana Pageant Saturday. Of those, five are veterans of the pageant.

Bacle, Julie Cameron, Kelly Cobb, Melissa Mabou, and Christy Moncrief have participated in the pageant before. Other NSU students participating are Chelsey Collins and Jennifer Stratton.

Despite the prior pageant experience, Bacle says the anxiety is still present. "I am anxious but more enthusiastic," she said. "It will be a long week."

Mabou, 1993-94 Miss LOB, was second runner-up in last year's Miss Louisiana pageant.

The pageant activities and interviews began yesterday and will continue until the ten semi-finalists have been selected. The finals of the Miss Louisiana Pageant will be televised by KNOE on at 8 p.m. Saturday.

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For the PEOPLE

*The 1994 Potpourri*

# Band students say 1994 yearbook not *For the People*

By BRIDGETTE MORVANT
*The Current Sauce*

The 1994 Potpourri, *For The People*, covered a wide variety of topics, however, much to the chagrin of many NSU band students, the Spirit of Northwestern Marching Band was not one of them.

Several members of the band submitted the following written complaint to Larrion Hillman, Potpourri editor, and his staff: "To The 1994 Potpourri staff and advisors: Why did you neglect to feature one of the largest institutions on this campus? I am referring to the fact that the 'Spirit of Northwestern' Marching Band was completely ignored in the 1994 Potpourri. Not only was this performing ensemble neglected, but also the entire Choral department as well as the Natchitoches Northwestern Symphony Orchestra. Thank you so very much for your attention to our hard work and efforts." One hundred eighteen students and faculty members signed the complaint.

Brad Thibodaux, a band student from Houma, wrote and organized the complaint. He thought the yearbook over-emphasized subjects such as couples living together, cheap dating and alcohol consumption, and under-emphasized large organizations like the marching band. "They featured too many things that concerned too few people," Thibodaux said.

They left out one of the largest groups — with students from all over the state and from other states, he said. Thibodaux said the marching band and other musical ensembles deserved coverage for the many activities they participated in last year.

"We did a lot of hard work to

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# News Briefs



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committee met in an executive session, and decided to resubmit the same four candidates to the SGA.

Jay Budd, a senior from New Orleans, expressed the opinion that the media board needed to make different recommendations.

"If the SGA reflects these again, it will only come back here, then go back to the SGA and so forth," Budd said. "It will be a never-ending cycle."

On May 9, the SGA again met to vote on the media board's recommendations. *Argus* was first on the agenda and Randy Price presented the SGA with a petition signed by 10 percent of Northwestern students who did not want Daldry approved.

Schneyer came prepared to defend himself against those who opposed him as general manager of KNWD with written statements, signed by many students, stating his qualifications. Several students spoke in his defense, while others again expressed the opinion that he was not the leader for KNWD. One detractor stated that Schneyer did not know how to use the recording equipment; Schneyer responded to this accusation by pointing out that he had taught himself how to use the equipment.

"I was charge of PSAs and giveaways,"Schneyer said. "They were able to use me for various duties...It allowed me to learn about all areas of the station."

Still another complaint was that Schneyer's majors of physics and computer science are unrelated to radio.

"Although this doesn't seem like it is directly related to radio, it is directly related to management and decision-making," Schneyer said. "As a computer programmer, I learned early on that it is important to break problems down to small pieces, i.e., to delegate authority."

The SGA went into executive session and voted by secret ballot approving Daldry 13-1, but voted against Schneyer again with a 9-5 vote.

## Student attacked outside Bossier dorm

An NSU student was attacked outside Bossier Hall in the parking lot at about 8:30 p.m. June 6. According to NSU police, she was grabbed from behind, but was able to free herself.

An ambulance from the Natchitoches Ambulance Service arrived at the scene, but police said no injury was visible.

No suspects were arrested. The crime is still under investigation.

## Thomas charged with attempted murder

NSU student Robert D. Thomas, 21, of DeRidder was charged with second degree attempted murder May 24 for shooting into the car of an elderly Natchitoches woman.

She was shot on the left side of the neck while driving on Highway 117 on January 28. She recovered from the wounds.

The gun used was the same .380 automatic which discharged in Thomas' bag when he dropped it in a Kyser Hall classroom Feb. 2.

## Freak lightning accident injures six

Two people were seriously injured in a freak lightening accident Saturday afternoon while working on canoes on the Wquishata River in Allen Parish.

The men were working along with four others for the White Sands Canoe Company when the lightening struck.

Eighteen-year-old Joshua Floyd was struck from the neck down and transported to Galveston, Texas, for medical treatment. Dornell Loyll, 28, was also struck from the neck down and sent to Moss Regional Hospital in Lake Charles.

Lawerence Floyd, 36; Wendell Mercantel, 25; Billy Henry, 21 and Mike Petry, 17, were also struck by the lightening but received only moderate injuries.

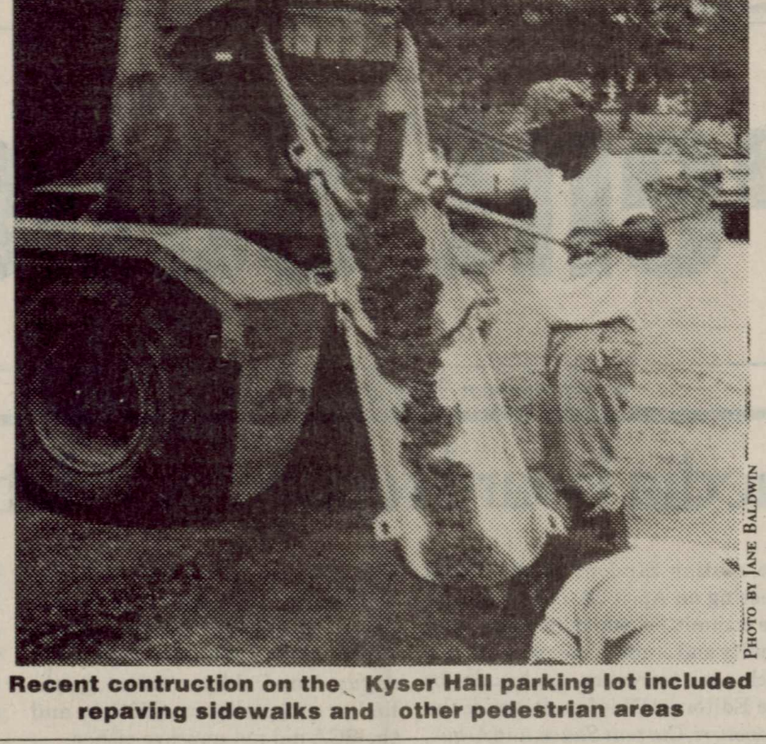


PHOTO BY JANE BALDWIN

**Recent contruction on the Kyser Hall parking lot included repaving sidewalks and other pedestrian areas**

## Students use computers for job search

Beginning a job search is never easy for college seniors. However, the ever-increasing amount of information available via the computer superhighway is providing an electronic alternative to the traditional job search.

John Abriano, a senior at Penn State University, faced the grueling task of putting his diploma to work. He, like many college seniors, began the job search through the traditional avenues of newspaper ads and employment services.

He changed his approach, however, after "discussing" the trials of the out-of-work college graduate one night on CompuServe, an online computer network.

"People were suggesting that I use the computer for my job hunt," Abriano says. "I spent the next few nights on the bulletin board, asking around about jobs."

In less than two weeks, Abriano accepted an offer from a cellular phone company in New York.

"My roommates were kidding me about finding work without ever leaving my couch," he said. "It wasn't quite that casual, but I have to admit it was pretty simple."

During a time when many corporations continue to cut back on campus recruiting, students are turning to their personal computers for job leads.

Students at Emory University in Atlanta are using various software packages to input their resumes on a system that can be reviewed by potential employers, and the university has developed its own software program that enables recruiters to place job listings on a database accessible to all Emory students.

More and more, college career placement offices faced with shrinking budgets are using computer databases to pool resources.

Meanwhile, various online job-hunting services are helping to match up thousands of applicants with prospective employers.

Online Career Center, a non-profit organization based in Indianapolis, lists 12,000-14,000 job openings and more than 18,000 resumes within the service, and the numbers are constantly increasing, Bill Warren, the center's executive director, said.

But not everyone agrees on the effectiveness of job hunting electronically, at least not yet.

John Challenger, a partner in the Chicago-based outplacement firm of Challenger, Gray and Christmas, says that online searches are only one aspect of a more involved job-hunting process.

"The computer, like the fax machine before it, has become a way to speed up the job search," he says. "The ultimate goal is still that face-to-face interview. Using a computer is only a way to pique an employer's interest."

## Stanford men organize against rape

In an effort to combat rape, a Stanford University student has started a rape prevention program for men.

"Why should women have to take self-defense classes when it isn't thier responsibility to stop rap?" Matthew Mitzel, who helped the program asked. "It should be men learning how not to rape, rather than the women learning how not to be raped."

Last year Mitzel helped to organize Stanford's first Men's Collective, 10 male students who meet two hours a week to discuss ways to prevent sexual assault.

The meetings are a forum for men to express their feelings about women, sex and relationships, Mitzel said.

"The idea is not to be accusatory toward men, but to say that this is a problem that concerns us, and we need to work together to solve it," Mitzel said.

Mitzel's concern about rape began during a relationship that he had with a female student who was afraid of being raped.

Her fears affected her life, the clothes she wore and how she behaved.

"For some crazy reason, I believed in freedom and equality...and this to me was saying that there really isn't any freedom and equality," Mitzel said. "I want to change that."


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the environment."

According to Department of Environmental Quality ombudsman James Friloux, gasoline is not a particularly hazardous material, "since obviously we burn it in our cars."

Hildebrand said, "Not realizing that gasoline could not be used, I didn't recognize that it was a problem. We were trying to get the diamond ready for SLC and it worked. But we shouldn't have used it."

When gasoline is ignited it releases fumes from the hydrocarbons, but the fumes are very quickly dissipated.

Friloux said, "Air hazards were immediate and are now long gone. Residue would be minimal, so after a few hours there would be no lasting pollutant. The environmental impact was short-lived."

"They have agreed not to do it any more, and everything is fine," Williams said. The next best alternative that they will be using in the future includes time and sunshine.

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represent the University," Thibodaux said. "It just kind of hurt for them to leave us out like that. It hurt a lot of other people, too."

Bill Brent, SON band director, was displeased with the overall quality of the book and the lack of band coverage. I was disappointed that such a large organization that represents so many students from different organizations was not included, he said.

Thomas Whitehead, *Potpourri* advisor, however, felt the subject matter of the yearbook was relevant to student issues. He also noted the stories in the yearbook are not chosen by the students. "The content of the yearbook — whether one agrees or not — is determined by the editor," he said. "Larrion Hillman saw fit to decide these were the materials to go in the book."

Among the materials included in the book were articles about condoms, dating and married couples on campus. Among subjects not given a large amount of coverage were NSU spirit groups.

The omission of the band and similar groups was "an editorial decision because the band has been covered so much in the past and we though there might be other organizations and issues which had been previously neglected," Hillman said. "And this year we attempted to cover a variety of students' concerns."

Hillman said he and his staff were surprised by the negative reaction to the yearbook. "I was completely shocked," he said. "I did not realize that it would cause such a disturbance because when other organizations had been left out [of previous yearbooks] they had not been as loud.

"Overall we're proud of the yearbook that we put together. And for those people who were not satisfied, we'd like to see them get more involved [with the yearbook] next year.


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## The Natchitoches-NSU Folk Festival

Louisiana Toys and Games: The Makers & The Players

# Natchitoches-NSU Folk Festival to focus on toys and games

By Madelyn Boudreaux
*The Current Sauce*

Hard as it is to believe, kids played before computers and Nintendo. They made cars from detergent boxes, cut paper-dolls from the pages of the Sears-Roebuck Catalog and rode for miles on stick-horses. They played games such as "Red Rover," "Anny Over," and "Numbltypegs," to while away the endless summer days.

This year, the Natchitoches-NSU Folk Festival will celebrate the toys and games of Louisiana and will present both old and new concepts of play.

"Louisiana has a reputation for having fun, and we wanted to tap into that spirit at our festival," said Dr. Don Hatley, director of the Louisiana Folklife Center and the Folk Festival. "This year's theme is probably the most universal theme we've ever had. Everybody has gone through childhood and remembers the toys they played with and the games they played. [The theme] also lets people know that folk culture is something that everyone can participate in."

The Festival is in its 15th year, and it has been selected by the Southeast Tourism Society as one of the "Top Twenty Events" in the Southeast for July 1994.

The festival always has a wide variety of Louisiana craftspeople to demonstrate and sell their wares. This year, a special effort has been made to include artists who make toys, games, and other fun items.

Tom Bryant will have his beautiful to-scale cars; Alfred Perez's miniature boats and Rita Fontenot's tiny Cajun houses are sure to be crowd-pleasers. Festival veterans Leo Royston and Blake Owen will again have their wonderful wooden toys that delight kids of all ages. Native American craftsman Curtis Lees will demonstrate and sell his blowguns and arrows, and Lair Lacour and Bonnie Boudreaux will have dolls for sale. Of course, there will also be a wide variety of other crafts, from Native American jewelry to African-American baskets, as well as duck decoys, walking sticks and decorated gourds, pottery, tatting and caned chairs.

Dan Fellows, of Shreveport, will have an exhibit of some of the oldest sports cards and other sports memorabilia, which will complement the rich display of artifacts in Prather Coliseum's Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame. LSU-Shreveport archivist Laura Street will provide a display of Anglo toys and photos of games and other play activities, and NSU's own Williamson Museum will exhibit Native American dolls and games.

Another part of the Festival will include the contests. The "World's Best Liars and Braggers" contest is sure to be great fun. "Tall-tales, fish-stories, and exaggerated jokes are a big part of our culture in Louisiana," Hatley said. The contest will be emceed by Thelma Daigle of Scott, La.,, who won third place in a similar contest at Acadian Village in Lafayette. There are still openings for competitors; stories should be 3-five minutes long, suitable for a family audience, and, of course, exaggerated and funny.

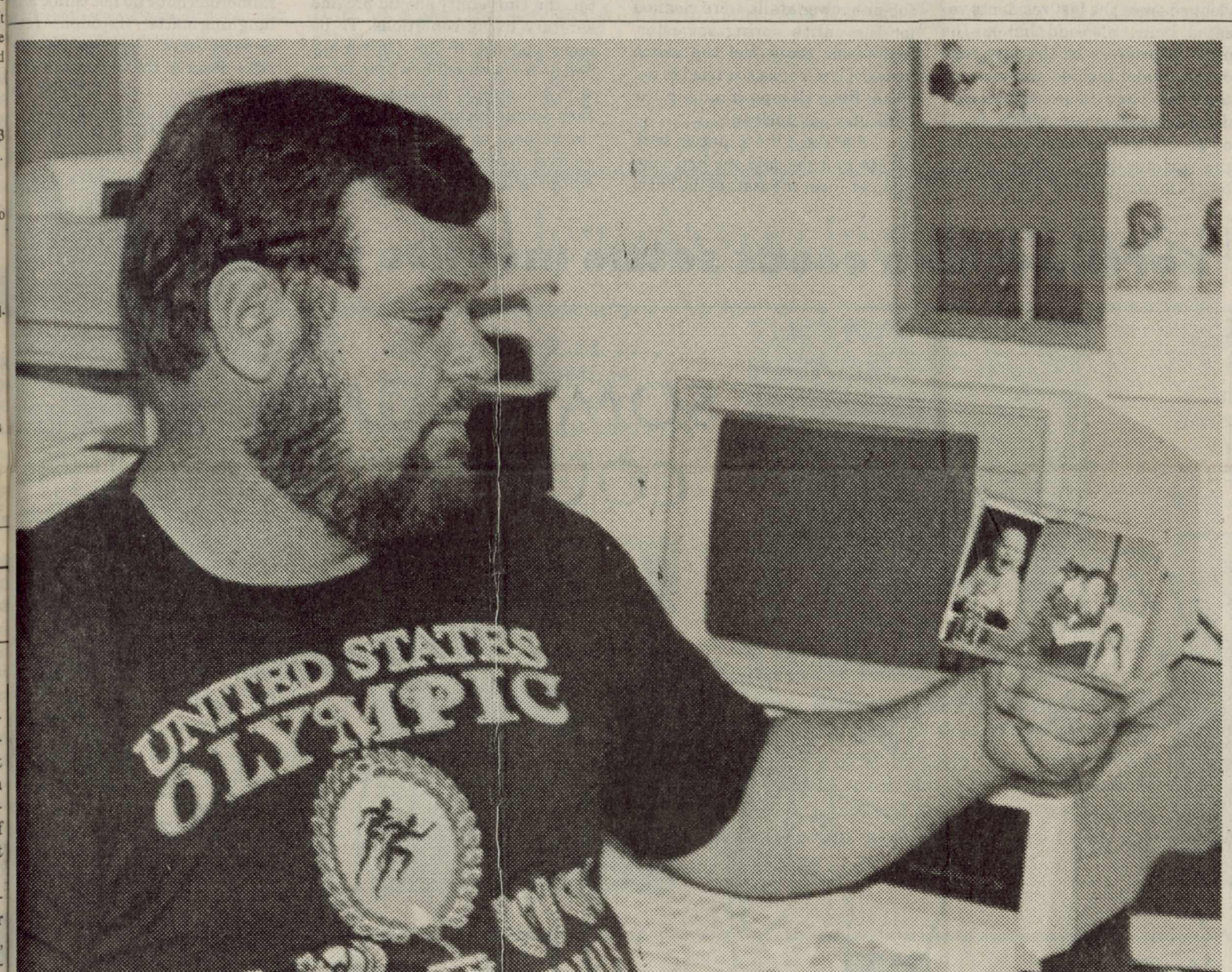
Interested parties should go to the Folklife Center, in room 213 Kyser, to register.

Game demonstrations will also play a part in the Festival. Volunteers will be on hand to demonstrate and teach such games as dominoes, checkers, bouré, dice, and marbles.

Festival visitors are encouraged to bring their old toys to the festival, where classic toy expert Barry Owen will be performing evaluations and appraisals. A video camera and other recording devices will be set up for documenting the toys, as well as stories, dances and descriptions of games.

The Kid Fest area will be moved inside the coliseum this year and will be integrated into the larger festival theme. Activities kids have come to love and expect, such as face-painting, alligator-petting, pottery, and magic shows, will continue inside the Coliseum in a cool, comfortable atmosphere.

Don't miss the fun at the Natchitoches-NSU Folk Festival, July 15, 16, and 17. As always, the Festival will feature Louisiana music, from blues, jazz and zydeco to bluegrass and country, as well as the third annual Gumbo Cook-off, all located in air-conditioned Prather Coliseum.




**Rivet looks at several pictures of Amy, and he happens to be wearing his Father's Day gift from last year.**

# DAD'S DAY

By Heather Urena
*The Current Sauce*

Gordon Rivet is not just an ordinary student but also an extraordinary dad. He balances work, school and traveling back and forth to New Orleans to visit his 8-year old daughter, Amy.

He may have just finished his last class; he is waiting to hear about the outcome on the acceptance of another class so he can graduate.

Rivet has an associate's degree from Delgado College and is planning to graduate with honors from Northwestern. He also serves as the news director for the local radio station, KZBL.

Approximately five years ago Rivet moved to Natchitoches to pursue his degree in journalism, so that he could better provide for his daughter. He balances everything by using "a lot of time management and doing a lot of praying and adjusting for myself and my family."

Rivet enjoys fathers' days because he doesn't normally receive the traditional tie. Amy usually gives him golf balls, a small trophy or Tee-shirt . Something that she just feels is appropriate.

"We keep in contact via the telephone weekly, we write letters and we go down there at least once a month. We're [Rivet and his present wife] hoping to have it where she can come up and visit once school is out."

Rivet, like any proud father, repeated several cute anecdotes about Amy and how she has grown up — with tears in his eyes.

"There are a lot of variables involved with school that really hinder--that made it tough for me and for her.

"I am not your typical father. I don't believe in how a lot of men who feel that a father has to be stern and never say I love you. I tell her I love her all the time.

"The reason I went back to school was for her because of the fact that I can better support her, make more money and hopefully spend more time without *having* to go to school."

Rivet is looking at a possible position as a graduate assistant so he can work toward a communications master's degree through Northwestern beginning in September.

Amy is in fourth grade, and her dad seemed very proud to say that she is also an honors student. Amy is very supportive of her dad and seems to understand how busy he is with school. She and her dad have some common ground when they talk about tests or class.

Rivet was very emotional as he described what he treasures most. "I've said this and I get a tear in my eye every time I think about it but it was the first time she hugged my neck and told me she loved me.

"I've been very fortunate."

# Space Program helps kids to learn

By Heather Urena
*The Current Sauce*

Students of all ages from 10 parishes in Louisiana learned how to reach for the stars in a 16-week science course, "Science: Out of This World!," broadcast via satellite from Northwestern.

According to Mike Hawkins, outreach coordinator of the Space Science Group and principal instructor of the class, the program was very successful. Many of the classes were able to be a part of the studio audience for live broadcasts.

"While they were here, we talked with them about some of the things that they had done. Teachers commented on how the students had gotten a lot better at taking notes during class," Hawkins said. "Some noticed their students using the terminology learned in the class. One teacher could see a real difference in the students who took the course and those students she taught straight from the book as far as their understanding of the relationships using math with science."

Laura Ponder, director of creative activities for the Space Science Group, put together the lessons that were taught during the course. About three years ago, Ponder along with six other teachers began gathering the information from workshops. "We had gathered tons and tons of information," Ponder said. "We just sifted through it, organized it, and the lessons kind of fell together."

Ponder thinks the strength of the course is its hands-on aspect. "The kids don't have enough time to sit back and disengage, or let their minds wander for too long," Ponder said. "They are constantly thinking about science because they are having to do it with the lab work that the class entails."

Roxanne Lane, site coordinator, acted as the contact for the schools who took part in the pilot course.

"The favorite part of the program for the kids was the lab," Lane said. "They liked our off-broadcast time the best because most of them aren't used to doing a lab every single day."

Both Ponder and Lane appeared on the program to do skits, work with the lab setups or help with demonstrations.

Some of the skits and lab setups included students swimming to feel the effect of weightlessness and acting out flight launches.

Next year "Science: Out of This World!" will be broadcast to over 2,000 students throughout of Louisiana. For more information on the program or the Space Science Group at Northwestern, call 357-5186 or 1-800-259-9555.

# Northwestern program offers young people experience 'Out of this World'

By Heather Urena
*The Current Sauce*

Some of the department of mathematical and physical sciences' staff and faculty have discovered a way to make science an 'out of this world' experience.

Camp Discovery is an attempt to help kids learn scientific and mathematical principles and relate them to the space program in an exciting and interesting way.

The classes include lessons on scientific investigation, space architecture, robotics, rocket propulsion, aviation and astronomy.

The sessions are taught by certified instructors, and counselors chosen through the NASA scholarship program assist.

The initial costs of the simulated mission were funded by Northwestern, and according to Laura Ponder, director of creative activities for the Space Science Group, it took an entire semester just to build the simulator. Since then, the campers' fees support the program.

The children work with things like bubbles, robotics and rockets.

The students watch videos, float in the pool and try to imagine the extreme amount of pressure in order to prepare for the simulation.

Rebekah Wilkes, a day camper from First Assembly Academy, said, "We are going to play like we're blasting off."

"They are going to try to act like they are really on the shuttle." Mike Hawkins, outreach coordinator of the Space Science Group, said.

"At first they will be leaning back in the chairs shaking, and then they will go into orbit, "They have to act it out. They have to know what it is supposed to look like, and they have to make it look that way."

Trevor Saunders really got into the role playing. "I got to sqoosh somebody."

Grandparents can attend the July 10-16 session through an intergenerational program, called Elderhostel, to participate in the activities and simulated space mission alongside the children.

The basic camps will be June 19-23, June 26-30 and July 24-28. The advanced camp sessions are scheduled for June 12-16 and July 17-21. High school students can attend a session slotted for July 11-15.

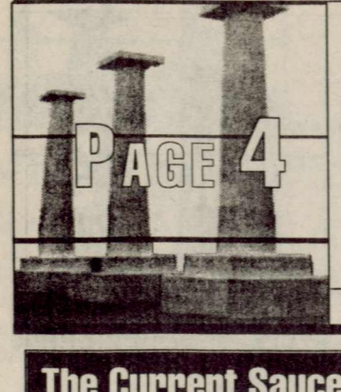
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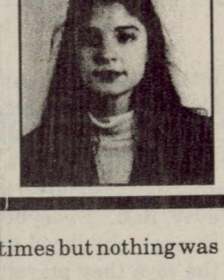
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## University should clean up its act

### *Smelly bathrooms, dried urine make girls' stay in Bossier Hall a nightmare*

*In My Opinion*

**Bridgette Morvant**



*Editors' Note: Readers may find the following column revolting — unless they already live on campus.*

If cleanliness is next to godliness then Northwestern State University is truly "Demonland." I'm referring to the shameful state of our student dormitories — namely the community bathrooms.

I, like many others, find myself residing in Bossier Hall, formerly the male athletic dormitory. Aside from the fact that there's no sink in the room, the bed doesn't fit my sheets, there's a small hole in the window, I have to slam the door to catch the lock . . . . but I digress . . . the room itself is not bad.

My complaint lies with the bathroom down the hall. I do not mind walking down the hall to use the restroom or take my daily shower. I can live with two small shower stalls and three toilet stalls for the entire hall. I could live with all of this if the facilities were clean!

From my estimation, the floors of the bathrooms have not been cleaned since the last residents vacated. I must also add that our the athletic prowess of the last residents did not include aim towards the toilet. The evidence of this is the dried urine which can still be found on the floors of the bathroom and on the curtains hung in front of the toilets for our privacy. Luckily, I've learned to watch my step!

Unfortunately, one can't help but step in the shower stalls. And if one is unfortunate enough to lack shower shoes (I confess!), she soon notices that her feet actually stick to the floor from the built up grime and soap scum. The shower walls also feel slimy with soap residue and the hair on the shower floors if quite beyond tasteful description.

But this phenomenon is not unique to Bossier Hall or to the summer sessions. When I lived in Varnado Hall (Yes, Varnado Hall) last year, I don't believe the bathtub or shower stalls were cleaned for the entire spring semester. Again, one could feel the grime beneath her feet as she tried to get clean. Even clumps of mud in the bathtub went uncleaned.

I discussed the situation with my RA and she said she had complained about the state of the bathrooms many times but nothing was done.

Doesn't the University employ custodians for this work. Aren't there any health codes which the University must follow on this matter? If not, then there should be. How can students practice healthy hygiene in a place which is unsanitary?

Now some readers may be thinking, "Why don't you clean it yourself?" Well, in my opinion since we pay the University $90 per session to live on campus during the summer and $490 to live on campus during a regular semester, the University should provide sanitary living conditions. To be more specific if the University deems it worthwhile to provide us with community bathrooms, then they should clean them. After all the bathrooms in Kyser and other education halls are community facilities and no one expects all users to help clean them.

When I lived my obligatory first year in Sabine Hall, I shared a bathroom with three other girls. We cleaned our bathroom every week without fail and I thought the system worked rather well. If a fair system whereby all hall residents equally share bathroom-cleaning duties could be worked out, I would cease my complaints. However, I seriously doubt that such a system could really be enforced.

And this problem is not completely limited to dormitories. One night while working late in Kyser Hall, I happened to see a custodian come into the ladies' restroom with a bucket and mop.

Much to my surprise she passed the mop with one sweeping zigzag motion — taking approximately 30 seconds — and left. Unless she returned to finish her job later, that floor was certainly not clean.

Some may think this problem humorous but I do not think it is a laughing matter. If students really do come first at Northwestern then they deserve the right to a clean environment. Let's take campus beautification one step further and clean the insides of our buildings in addition to landscaping their outsides.

## Media Madness

Who will be the official station manager of KNWD for next year? With the face-off between the SGA Senate and its offspring, the Student Media Board, which selects student leaders of 91.7 FM, *The Current Sauce, Potpourri,* and *Argus,* we wonder if the whole system is credible.

For starters, the current system of media head selection does not provide the time to accurately evaluate a candidate, because of the short time period between the election of the SGA president, his/her subsequent appointment of media board members and the meeting, which is usually held the day after the appointments.

Instead, media board members are left to make their decisions on an application they receive just before the meeting and read while the candidate is being interviewed. Therefore, decisions are more based on the classification (he's a senior, the other guy can run again next year) and personality of the applicant. In addition, many board members are not qualified to recognize and ask questions about practical journalism knowledge and experience.

Clearly, the system can and should be restructured to provide a more accurate and simple process.

Since the majority of the editorial staff from *The Current Sauce* has attended numerous media board meetings and some have served on the board, we like to think we know a little something about this subject. We suggest the following changes:

The media board now consists of English department professors graduate students and three journalism students selected by the SGA President: not the most balanced and representative board , is it?

Which brings us to the next point. Why not bring media professionals to the board: people who are involved with the day-to-day aspects of journalism and know what it takes to lead a medium? With convenient scheduling, local professionals could be persuaded to attend these meetings and share their practical opinions. But then again for the past two years, the media board has had to meet more than once in an academic year just to select student media heads.

*"Clearly, the system can and should be restructured to provide a more simple and accurate process"*

Advisers of the media should be allowed to sit on the media board as they know the students best and know who would be best suited to lead the publication they advise.

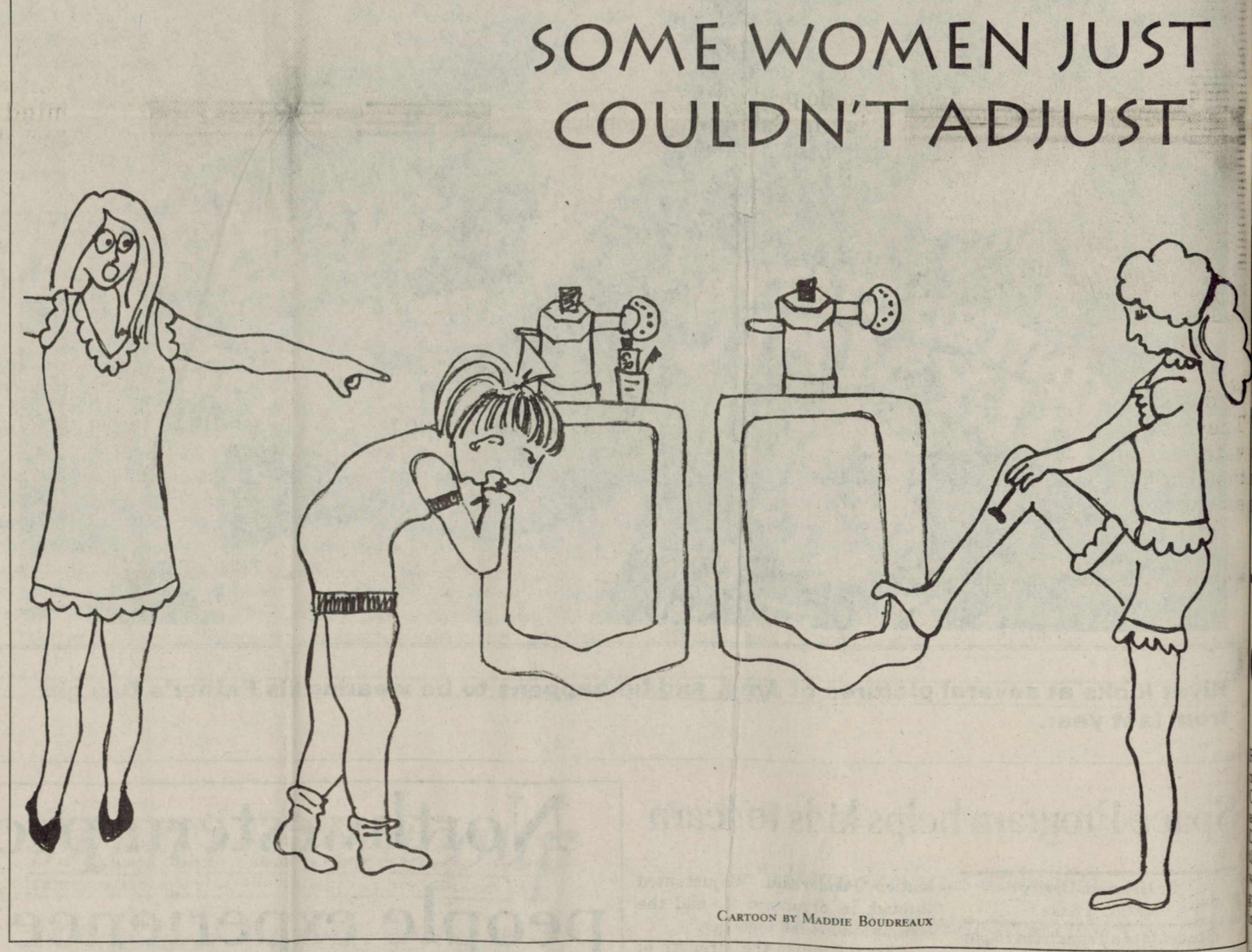
Journalism students who sit on the media board should be members — in good standing — of at least one student medium.

Even if the board chooses not to allow these additions to vote, they could at least benefit from their knowledgeable opinions. Perhaps this would prevent student media leaders from being chosen on the basis of likability, personality or classification.

Finally, media leaders should be chosen through a uniform point-awarded basis. Each board member awards so many points to each candidate in the categories of related resume experience and interview. Obviously, the candidate with the most points is selected.

Every full-time Northwestern student helps pay for the student media with through student activities fees. These steps will help ensure that students' money is going to a quality media with qualified leaders.

## Northwestern coeds settle into life at a guy's dorm




Cartoon by Maddie Boudreaux

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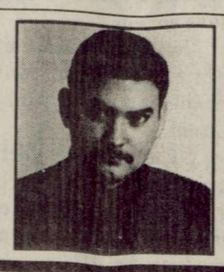
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## Increased coverage planned for 1994-95

### *The Current Sauce will offer expanded coverage of campus and city issues*

*Editor's Note*

**Jeff Guin**



"What can we expect from *The Current Sauce* this year?"

That is a question that has been asked of me rather often in past months. The answer is I don't know.

The 83 year history of *The Current Sauce* is rich with highs and lows in almost equal amounts.

From the infamous "Sex on Campus" series to coverage of campus events surrounding the Gulf War we've always given you something to talk about, though sometimes it was presented more professionally than others.

This year, our commitment to you is increased coverage of the things that are important to students. Our goal is that you will be able to open the paper each week assured that your organization's activity will be included somewhere.

And, as part of our commitment to keep you informed, we are also expanding our coverage of off-campus news. The Natchitoches community is an integral part of Northwestern and vice-versa.

We feel that staying informed about local happenings leads to a better understanding about things that affect you directly.

Also, we hope to dispel the myth that Natchitoches is boring by keeping you up-to-date on what is available to do.

Something else we are hoping you will enjoy about the paper this year is the design. We have worked to develop a contemporary, colorful layout that is pleasing to the eye.

We aren't expecting to please every one all of the time. Good journalism often offends more than it endears. As has been said many times on this page before: *The Current Sauce* is not a public relations tool.There may be negative stories about the SGA, the administration or even certain individuals on campus.

But we will do our best to make those stories as fair and objective as possible. In the long run, we think our publication will make Northwestern look better due to the quality of the work on its pages.

What we do hope is that through the cooperation of the various departments and branches of NSU, we can create a quality, comprehensive look at Northwestern State University.

We cannot accomplish this alone, however. In addition to reporting important news, we wish to highlight issues which are of concern to students. We are depending on you to drop us a line when such important issues arise on campus.

We are also counting on you to keep us abreast of organizational activities so that we can share this information with the rest of the campus.

And, as always, new reporters, photographers and columnists are always welcome.

# MEDIA MAYHEM MAKES MADDIE MAD

## BANANA NOTES

**MADELYN BOUDREAUX**



The media board has caused a lot of stir of late, and plenty of people are grumbling about it. That is, plenty of media people are grumbling about it, but I dare say most Northwestern students don't know what it is, what it does, or what planet it came from.

Popular rumor (well, I heard this from someone who heard it from someone, you know how that goes) is that the media board was created back in the '60's to keep some undesirable hippy from becoming the editor of *The Current Sauce*. Not the most auspicious beginnings, I'll grant you, but since then the board has proven itself a fairly respectable committee, even if it did let me edit the *Argus* for three years. These things happen, as they say.

The media board exists as a provision of the SGA's constitution, and, according to Article IV, section 1.0, it serves "as the advisory/selection committee for all student media." It is not meant to act as a "censoring agent," and is made up of nine members, including several faculty members, the SGA president, and four students with majors "associated with media and/or experience requisite."

These students are recommended by the head of the Department of Language and Communication, appointed by the SGA president, and approved by the SGA senate. Members of the media board can't be an editor-in-chief of any student media, but they may have served on the staff of any of the student media.

Therein lies the biggest problem of media board make-up in recent memory (and my memory of the media board stretches back pretty far, I promise you). The student members are generally people that have little to do with Northwestern's student media. In all my years (six) of sitting in the media board hearings, only one member has been a KNWD staff member, and there hasn't been one member who served on the *Argus* staff.

I've heard similar opinions expressed by *The Current Sauce* and *Potpourri* staff members over the years, and I frankly wonder why. Although the members are generally knowledgeable in media (one of this year's members has considerable experience with newspaper writing and editing, but not with OUR newspaper), they have lacked experience with Northwestern media, or have been underclass journalism majors unknown to the candidates. It would seem that if each of the four student members had served on one student publication staff, it would eliminate the potential for the photically challenged (the media board) to lead the intellectually-challenged (the SGA), so to speak. Even if the representative from one media staff has political ties to a candidate. The other eight members should balance out their prejudiced votes. Then the SGA should be able to accept the recommendations of the board as good and well-founded, rather than wanting in logic or acceptability.

All of which brings up another issue: the behavior of the SGA in all the media mess. If the media board is to do its job, the SGA needs to shut up and let the media board work. If the SGA, with little or no media experience between its members, wants to determine the media leaders itself, it better come up with another method, and fast. That organization can't agree on much of anything, other than allotting student money to "Greek Week, (a charitable cause, as it turns out, but the name is off-putting for an independent like myself), so how it's going to determine something like an editor of the *Potpourri* is questionable. And as long as Northwestern wants to at least attempt democracy, the decentralization of power (via non-Senate committees such as the media Board) is necessary — allow the SGA to call all the shots, and you're allowing a tyranny.

In fact, the SGA isn't content to trust that anyone on the media board knows what they are doing. No, the SGA feels it needs to tell the media board how to behave, how to act, and how to vote. This is obvious in the fact that, although most of the SGA knows even less than the media board, and was not present at the media board meetings, it decided to twice throw out the recommendation made by the committee in regards to the future general manager of KNWD. Although the media board interviewed all candidates and twice settled on Sean Schneyer, the SGA felt that Jeff Burkett was the better candidate. Now, if you remember something about applying for jobs, you might remember that the choice may be made based on all kinds of criteria, including how you dressed, how you acted, and your credentials. A Harvard grad with an attitude or a slob from Oxford might lose a job to a nice, clean-cut graduate from USL. Even if they're all WASPs. This sort of thing happens. All the time.

Burkett has a two-year degree in production, which, for the SGA is tantamount to his having single-handedly won World War III, ruled the FCC, and bested Goliath. The SGA, with only one member that has had anything much to do with any student medium, knows next to nothing about running a radio station or a literary magazine; in the grand fashion of Louisiana politics, the SGA doesn't let this lack of knowledge stop it from trying real hard to prove it knows it all.

Now, an associate degree in production is good and shows initiative and all, but management and production are NOT the same thing. A data-processing certificate from Southern Technical won't necessarily get you a job editing the *Times*, either, especially if you can't convince the employer to hire you. And believe me, that happens.

Of course, the SGA expressed the opinion that since Jeff Burkett had the recommendation of the previous general manager and some but by no means all of the staff, he must be the best person for the job.

It failed the consistency test by ignoring the fact that Lisa Price had the full support of the previous *Argus* editor, as well as most, if not all, of the former staff. Well, consistency is for beginners, I guess, or for Texas politicians who certainly have Louisiana's beat in the integrity department. But then, who doesn't?

The media board was approved by the SGA, and went about its business of making its recommendation for editors of student publications and manager of the radio station. Perhaps if the SGA senators took their jobs a little more seriously, instead of being so gung-ho on getting back to all those fun fraternity and sorority parties, if they were just a less hasty about approving the media board, this mess could have been avoided. But they happily made their beds, and they might as well lie in 'em while they think about the mistakes of the past. And obviously, many can be found.

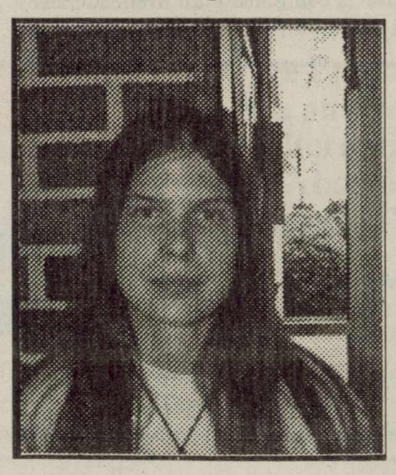
## *Current Quotes*

# How do you feel about living in Bossier Dorm?



**Shenika Baisley, *Jr.*, Shreveport**
"I don't like [the bathrooms]. They're too small and not private enough. I guess they're made for boys, and girls can't do all that!"

**Cynthia Rexford, *Fr.*, Denham Springs**
"I'm not happy about the bathrooms, because there'll be no privacy. I was staying in Sabine last month, and that was private."





**Kris Wilson, *Fr.*, Shreveport**
"It's all right, except the air-conditioning and heating gets messed up. You meet a lot of people, and you hear all the latest gossip. It shocked me when I walked in the bathroom and there were stalls for guys!"

**Catherine Barry, *So.*, Sunset**
"Considering my past experiences — from last night — it's a hell-hole! I did not mind Dodd. This place sucks!"





**Paige Robertson, *Fr.*, DeQuincy**
"It's all right, but this is a guy's dorm. I don't know why they don't put summer guys here. It's not private. Sabine's probably smaller, but it's more private."

PHOTOS AND INTERVIEWS BY MADDIE BOUDREAUX

# COLUMNIST PONDERS CURRENT POLITICAL ISSUES

## THOUGHTS THAT OCCURRED TO ME TODAY

**PETE MULDOON**



**Congressman** Daniel Rostenkowski, Chairman of the Almighty House Ways and Means Committee, was indicted last week and is facing corruption charges. The Democrat from Illinois has enlisted the aid of lobbyists and corporations, who have contributed to Rosty's legal defense fund; some have chipped in to the tune of $5,000 apiece.

One can only hope that those dirt-digging journalists don't try to cast doubt upon the surely honorable intentions of these defenders of the innocent; no doubt the persecution of the obviously guiltless Dispenser of Wealth and Goodness has so shocked the conscience of corporate America that it felt compelled to donate money.

**Of course,** the possibility exists that, as Paulette Thomas writes in the Nov. 23 edition of the *Wall Street Journal*, it might be an attempt to obtain "the best legal defense money can buy, paid for by U. S. corporations with interests before the lawmakers." Or, as us normal folk would say, out-and-out bribery. Repaid with *your* money.

**Thought For the Day:** Why are people who are receiving government assistance allowed to vote in elections where the outcome could affect their levels of assistance? Shouldn't the people who are being forced to contribute (hello- oxymoron!) be the ones who get to vote on these programs?

Surely in this age of wonders someone can devise a system that would be able to distinguish between eligible voters and ineligible voters. Of course, these days, there might not be a lot of eligible voters.

**Got it Right: John Rother,** a lobbyist for the American Association of Retired Persons (which officially supports Clinton's health care plan), on finding a way to force it upon the public: "People are still searching for the magic formula..." So are the few remaining members of the American Alchemy Society.

**In Pennsylvania,** the State Supreme Court acknowledged that women are required to put up a fight if they don't want sex.

Apparently, just saying no isn't good enough these days for the justices, who probably made allowances for foreigners who don't understand the word and are forced to rely on body English for communication. It is sad to see how ethnocentric we have become...

**NASA can't believe** that its budget is being slashed. It seems unthinkable, but it may have to cancel a $1.4 billion probe of Saturn and its moon. This is our last chance to remain a superpower! (Assuming the probe doesn't blow up before it can inform us that humans cannot live on Saturn unless they answer to Captain Kirk.) How will we ever be able to face the French without it?

**When will the government** ever realize it cannot win the drug war? How many harmless addicts will it send to jail to rot before it realizes they need treatment? How many lives will it ruin? When will it decide to stop playing god and realize that adults will ultimately answer their God and not the government for the mistakes they make? And will somebody please tell me why marijuana is any worse than alcohol or tobacco?

**Quote of the Week:** Carl Upchurch, president of the National Council For Urban Peace and Justice, on why the NAACP should meet with Nation of Islam leader Louis Farrakhan: "We [blacks] are all the same people with the same heritage and history." One more example of so-called black leaders joining white liberals and conservatives in lumping all black Americans together, as if they can't tell the difference between the Nation of Islam and the NAACP or favor one over the other.

**Spanish 1010** has reminded me of the difference between the third person singular in the impersonal form (it), and the first person plural possessive form (our). I resolve to stop using the latter and begin using the former when referring to that infernal entity known as the government until it shows some sign of realizing that it is ours, not just its.

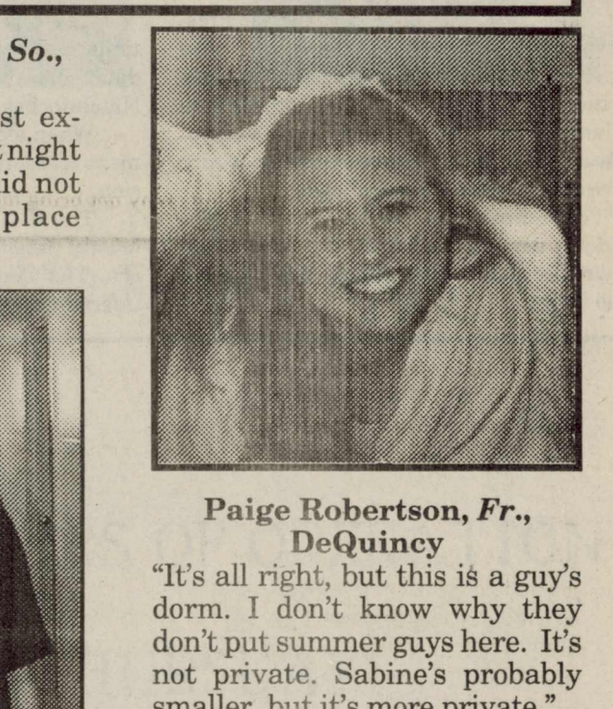
**USA Today** didn't ask me whether I felt that lawyers and athletes should make more money than teachers, but if they had I might have offered a few thoughts. There are many athletes who struggle for years at the bottom ranks of their professions and who never achieve the fame or fortunes one might think are automatically accorded them. Likewise, lawyers.

Teachers who reach the pinnacles of their profession get high-profile jobs too (like president of the NEA, where they can sacrifice the future of a generation or two in order to ensure job stability for their fellow teachers).

The good teachers I know don't spend their time whining about their pay; they realize that they get something from their jobs a lot of people don't: satisfaction in the realization that they are helping students better themselves. USA Today and others would do well to stop touting the acquisition of money as the only measure of happiness and success.

**Clinton** has no idea what happened with his personal finances for a period of about five years, but he thinks he can spend our money better than we can. But how will he do it now that Danny's gone?

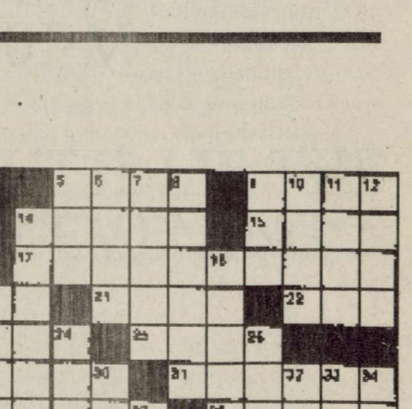
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ANSWERS



# Melrose Plantation Arts and Crafts Festival remains a crowd-pleaser



Eula Davis from Winn Parish braves the heat with hundreds of others to attend the Melrose Arts & Crafts Festival.

PHOTO BY JANE BALDWIN

## *Festival offers crafts from five-state area*

BY JANE BALDWIN
*The Current Sauce*

Hundreds of festival goers braved the 90 degree heat to attend the 20th annual Melrose Plantation Arts and Crafts Festival held Saturday and Sunday.

Over 100 crafters from all over Louisiana, Texas, Arkansas, Mississippi and even Oklahoma displayed handicrafts such as jewelry, homemade dolls and original pottery at the historic Melrose Plantation.

Renee Hopkins came all the way from Hot Springs, Ark., to display porcelain dolls at her "Bear Necessities" booth. Hopkins said she heard about the festival from other crafters. "I always look for good shows and I heard it was a great festival," Hopkins said.

Cliff Mire from St. Martindale braved the heat because "so many people come to the festival. This is my second time to come, and I always come back because it is a good show."

Dianne Gibson, co-director of the festival, explained that the festival originally began 20 years ago to help finance the upkeep of Melrose plantation.

"Keeping the grounds here at Melrose is very expensive," she said. "This seemed a good way to raise money for the projects.

"It was a way to give the community access to different crafts that were represented from different states. We always get a great turnout these two days."

Located 14 miles outside Natchitoches, Melrose Plantation dates back to 1796 and has been designated as a National Historic Landmark.

The Plantation consists of nine buildings including the African House. It is the only Congo-like architecture on the North American continent. Other buildings include the Big House, the bindery, Ghana House, writer's cabin, the weaving house, the barn and the cabin home of Clementine Hunter, a famous, local folk artist.

# National Preservation Center searches for new director, Northwestern site for center

BY BRIDGETTE MORVANT
*The Current Sauce*

The National Center for Historic Preservation Technology and Training, to be based at Northwestern, expects to appoint a director by the end of July, according to Blane Cliver, acting director. By the end of the summer, the Center also expects to hire five or six Natchitoches officials.

The director of the Center will hold a federal position, according to Cliver, and therefore federal procedures are involved in the hiring.

First the Center advertised the position nationally, through major newspapers and job descriptions sent to related organizations.

The Center's board reviewed applications and interviewed prospective candidates. Job finalists will be interviewed in Natchitoches.

When a director is chosen, the Department of the Interior must finalize the decision.

The Historic Preservation Center is a federal program to be based at Northwestern. The Center will provide professional information about historic preservation.

Through the Center professionals will learn about new field technology without having to enroll in full-time college courses, according to Kathleen Byrd, main contact between the university and the Center.

The Center plans to incorporate workshops and teleconferences into this method of teaching, according to Byrd.

While the Center will not offer a degree at Northwestern, Byrd said the social science department plans to develop and add degrees in association with the Center. The Center will offer some training classes in anthropology and archeology.

According to Cliver, the Center is already planning projects that include research to standardize cleaning techniques for masonry and development of grant program proposals for projects in the field.

Another of the Center's important projects will be establishing a host INTERNET base to provide research to those interested, according to Cliver. If successful, the program would take about a year to complete, he said.

Another project in the works is the restoration of the now-abandoned Women's Gymnasium, located near Varnado Hall. The Center is completing an archeological report on the building. A historical architect will help restore the old gymnasium within historical standards.

In regards to the historical quality of Natchitoches itself, Cliver said the town, with its many resources is an asset to the Center.

While the Center may study some local historical sites, according to Byrd, overall research will be conducted on a national level.

"We're very excited about the opportunities that the Center will provide for our degree program and for Natchitoches," Byrd said. "We're looking forward to them coming."

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# Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame

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## Seven to be honored at Northwestern



John Altobello



Ralph Dupas

The 1994 Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame induction weekend is just a month away with seven stars, headed by football greats Joe Ferguson, Ernie Ladd, Rich Jackson and Grambling basketball coach Fred Hobdy, slated to officially join the ranks of state sports legends.

Also honored June 24-25 in Natchitoches will be Louisiana Tech basketball All-American Pam Kelly and two New Orleans natives, world boxing champion Ralph Dupas and prep coaching great John Altobello.

They will be formally inducted in the Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame Saturday night, June 25 at a banquet capping two days of festivities. Also honored will be two recipients of the state's Distinguished Service Award in Sports Journalism, retiring Northeast Louisiana University sports information director Bob Anderson and former Baton Rouge sportswriter Bernell Ballard.

The 22nd annual Hall of Fame festivities in Natchitoches include a Friday night reception, a Saturday morning press conference, a scramble golf tournament, a tour of historic Natchitoches, a reception at the Hall of Fame in Prather Coliseum, and the induction banquet and ceremonies in the Student Union Ballroom at Northwestern State University.

Banquet tickets are $20. There's still time to enter the golf tournament, played at Natchitoches Country Club, with entry fee set at $40 per player ($30 if no golf cart is needed). Banquet tickets can be reserved and golf entries can be made by calling the Hall of Fame at 357-6467 during business hours.

Ferguson, a Shreveport native and Ruston resident, ranks among the all-time NFL passing leaders. He played 17 seasons in the NFL, 12 for the Buffalo Bills (1973-84) and also with Detroit (1985-87) and Tampa Bay (1988-89).

In 1976, he set NFL records for fewest interceptions (1) thrown in a season and in 1980, he guided the Bills to their first Division title. At Shreveport's Woodlawn High, he set state and national passing records with 6,726 yards and 86 touchdown passes.

Jackson, a Southern University graduate and New Orleans native and resident, is regarded as one of the top defenders in Denver Broncos' history.

Writer Paul Zimmerman of Sports Illustrated picked Jackson for one of only 11 positions on the magazine's all-tie All-Pro team chosen as part of the publication's 40th anniversary in 1993.

A defensive end, Jackson was All-Pro for four strait years (1968-71).

Ladd played for legendary coach Eddie Robinson at Grambling and became one of the most feared and respected defensive linemen in pro football in the 1960s.

Nicknamed "Big Cat" because of his size (6-foot-9, 320 pounds) and agility, Ladd did not miss a game in his pro career with San Diego, Houston and Kansas City.

"Nobody has played the defensive tackle position better than Ernie Ladd," Sid Gillman, pro coach, said.

Hobdy, Grambling's head basketball coach from 1956-86, is the state's all-time winningest collegiate coach with a 567-287 (.664) record. He won 10 conference championships, led the Tigers to 14 national tournaments (including the major college NIT in 1980) and won the 1961 NAIA title. The Winnfield native developed all-time basketball great Willis Reed, the center for Grambling's national championship team, and continues to serve Grambling as director of athletics.

Kelly, a product of Columbia and Caldwell Parish High, was a three-time Kodak All-America center at Louisiana Tech from 1978-82. She won the Wade Trophy as the country's top player in 1982 as she led the Lady Techsters to a second straight national championship. Kelly scored 2,979 points and grabbed 1,511 rebounds in her career, both still among the top figures in women's college history.

Dupas was recently named an honorable mention pick for the World Boxing Council's Hall of Fame. Nicknamed "Native Dancer" for his fancy footwork, he was fighting as a pro at 14 and was a main-event by 16. He claimed the world junior middleweight championship in 1963, highlighting a distinguished 16-year pro career in which he was ranked the world's No. 1 lightweight in 1955, welterweight in 1961 and junior middleweight in 1962 by Ring Magazine.

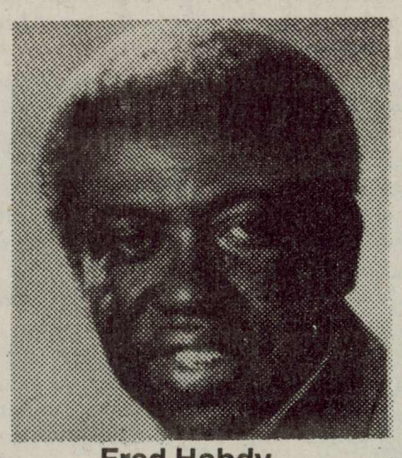
Altobello is one of the most successful prep coaches in state history. He won 12 state championships in basketball and baseball at two New Orleans schools, St. Aloysius and DeLaSalle. In 25 years of coaching, he never had a losing season in basketball or baseball, compiling a 589-92 (.865) basketball record and a 629-202 (.759) baseball mark.

Anderson is retiring this summer after 33 years as NLU's athletic publicist. In January 1993, Ballard ended a distinguished writing career spanning nearly four decades.

The Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame was founded by the Louisiana Sportswriters Association in 1958 and its permanent home in Natchitoches was established in 1972. The seven 1994 inductees join only 151 previous honorees enshrined in the Hall of Fame.



Joe Ferguson



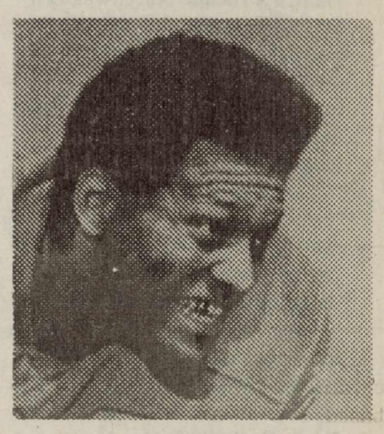
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# Sports

Tuesday, June 14, 1994

## Sports Briefs

**Track and Field**: The Cowboy Relays at Lake Charles May 28 may have been the most impressive competition in the eight-year history of Northwestern State's Women's track and field program.

The records highlighted a dominant performance in both the men's and women's divisions. The men won 10 of 18 events and rolled up as many points, 94, as McNeese (53) and Lamar (41) combined to score. The Lady Demons won 88 points.

**Softball**: Northwestern State first baseman Jennifer Jannak, outfielder Kathi Morales and shortstop Mitzi Groves the were named to the 1994 All-Southland Conference Softball Team Wednesday despite the fact that the Lady Demons struggled on the field this season.

**Women's Tennis**: Northwestern State's Southland Conference champion women's tennis team took six of nine positions and the top honors on the All-SLC Team announced Tuesday by the league office.

Patric DuBois was voted "Coach of the Year" and freshman Ljudmila Pavlov won "Athlete of the Year" honors as voted by SLC coaches. Northwestern won the conference title last month, scoring a league-record 100 points.

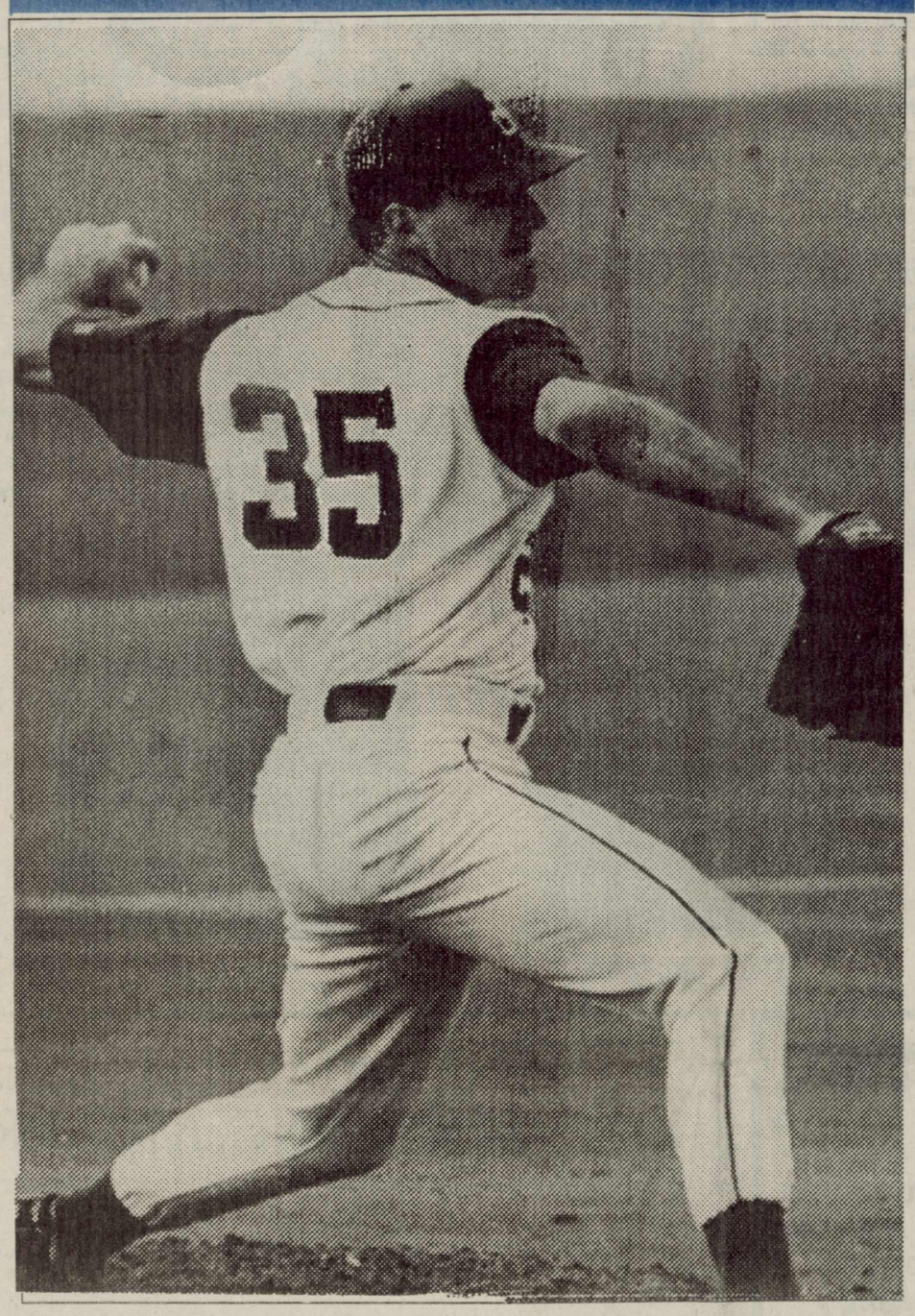
**Men's Basketball:** Northwestern State's Eric Kubel, the Southland Conference Basketball Player of the Year, was invited to play in the prestigious 42nd Annual Portsmouth (Va.) Invitational Tournament.

Kubel averaged 24.3 points and 13.1 rebounds per game this season, ranking as the third-leading rebounder in NCAA Division I. His scoring average ranked 14th. Kubel became the first player in 20 seasons to lead the SLC in both scoring and rebounding.

# Dynamic season

## Demons' record season ends in Regional Tournament

### All-American



Reggie Gatewood

By Jeremy Broussard
*The Current Sauce*

The Northwestern baseball team's 14-9 loss to the Memphis Tigers on May 29, ended the Demons' first regional career and topped off a 45-15 record winning season. The Demons settled for a 1-2 record at the Midwest I Regional Tournament and ended their final game against Memphis after a strong late game struggle.

The Tigers walked into the elimination game after a staggering 12-4 defeat from third-ranked Oklahoma State.

Northwestern's first inning stance literally fell when outfielders Terry Joseph and Zack Watts collided, causing Joseph to miss the catch. Facing an accident-prone Demon defense, Memphis gripped the lead with three runs in the first inning.

Left fielder Robert Landstad slipped in the warning track and two more Tiger runs slipped past the Demons in the second inning. Memphis led 5-0.

The Demons traded two runs for two runs in the fourth inning and shook their defensive bad luck. But Northwestern then faced an uphill battle against the Tigers who led by 11 runs by in the seventh inning.

Matt Donner's two-run pinch hit homer led NSU into an eighth inning rally which left the score at 14-8.

With two outs in the final inning Landstad hit his fourth single to drive in Leighton Colbert. Brad Duncan hit a single and Terry Joseph walked to bring the game to a final stand off. Home run hitter and right fielder Marco Guajardo approached the plate with the bases loaded but only managed to hit a fly ball to right field. It was there the Tigers ended the game and Northwestern's first ever regional competition.

The Demons' entered as the fifth seed at the Midwest I regional competition with one of the last NCAA at-large bids. Uncertain of their bid to any regional competition, they still practiced following their loss of the Southland Conference tournament and the close of the season.

The NCAA berth to the Midwest I regionals in Stillwater, Okla. was a welcome surprise to the Demons. They expected to play closer to home.

In their first game, second seed and seventh ranked Cal State Fullerton ran away with the victory in the eighth inning after Northwestern committed six errors.

The Demons lagged behind at 1-0 until a fourth inning RBI from Donner. But the Cal State Titans bounced back with three runs in the bottom half.

By the eighth inning, Northwestern had only three runs to the Titan's six after a bases loaded assault that resulted in one run. From there, Demon errors led the Titans to a hard fought victory.

The next day the Demons turned their luck around and won the first ever regional victory in NSU baseball history against Illinois State.

Two leaders emerged in the game against Illinois. Reggie Gatewood, who pitched a complete game six-hitter, and Marco Guajardo, who knocked a right field three-run homer to give the Demons their initial lead.

Coach Wells expressed his belief that Reggie Gatewood's pitching performance, an errorless game and a home run from Guajardo were the key elements of the 8-2 victory.

These two games followed by the Memphis defeat left Northwestern with its best overall and conference record ever. Though Northwestern's season ended in defeat, the Demons are, in many respects, victorious.

### Gatewood named to All-American team

After leading his team to an appearance in the NCAA Tournament, Northwestern senior pitcher Reggie Gatewood was named to the second team of the 1994 National Collegiate Baseball Writers Association All-American Team on Thursday.

The award comes on the heels of being named first-team All-Southland Conference for the second consecutive season. Gatewood, the SLC's "Pitcher of the Year" and "Newcomer of the Year" in 1993, led the Demons to their second consecutive SLC title and third in the last four years.

Ten pitchers were named first team while nine were selected second team, meaning Gatewood is considered to be among the top 19 pitchers in the country.

# Wells goes to U. of Alabama

After guiding Northwestern State to its second consecutive Southland Conference championship and second appearance in an NCAA Tournament, Jim Wells, Demon baseball head coach, resigned Friday to become head coach at the University of Alabama.

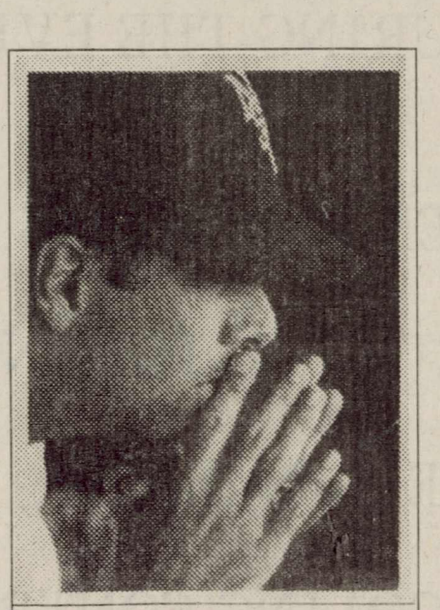
Wells compiled a 192-89 (.683) record in five seasons as head coach of the Demons. Included in his five years were three Southland Conference championships, two trips to the NCAA Tournament, three SLC "Coach of the Year" awards and one Louisiana "Coach of the Year" honor.

Wells, 39, took over a program that had not posted a winning record in 13 seasons.

He came to Northwestern, his alma mater, after three years as an assistant coach under Skip Bertman at Louisiana State University. Wells was head coach at Shreveport's Loyola High School from 1982-86 and was the state Class 3A "Coach of the Year" twice, after leading his team to state championship game appearances in 1983 and 1986.

The Demons have won three Southland Conference titles in the past four seasons. Deciding to leave the program he had built, even considering the opportunity at Alabama, was highly emotional for Wells and his wife, Lisa, he said.

"It was a very difficult decision for a number of reasons. We're very comfortable here in Natchitoches. It's Lisa's hometown and it's a place I've grown to call home," said Wells, a Bossier City native. "We both love Northwestern. We have family in town and close by. Those were some of the factors that made it much more difficult than you might imagine."



Wells

Wells takes over an Alabama program that finished 21-35 overall and 4-22 in Southeastern Conference play last season.

"It's an opportunity that came out of the blue," he said. "It's one of the top jobs in college baseball and we're going to work to give Alabama the kind of program it deserves. It's very humbling to have this opportunity."

Wells will be counted on to bring the Alabama program back to the level it was at when it finished second in the College World Series (1983) and made three appearances in NCAA Tournament play from 1983-91.

The Demons recently completed the most successful season in school history by posting a 45-15 record. The 45 wins top the 40-win marks that Wells' teams put up in 1991 and 1993 as best-ever win totals for Northwestern teams. The winning percentage of .750 tops the previous best of .745 (38-13) which the Demons recorded during Wells' first season in 1990.

"It's a bittersweet moment for us. Obviously when you have a coach the caliber of Jim Wells, you would like to keep him forever, but we understand his desire to step to the highest level of intercollegiate athletics," Dr. Robert Alost, Northwestern president, said. "We're very proud of the job Jim has done here and we are very committed to continuing the level of excellence that he has established in our baseball program."

Northwestern's search for a successor is underway, Tynes Hildebrand, director of athletics , said.

"He's unquestionably one the bright young coaches in the county," Hildebrand said. " Our challenge is to hand the ball to someone who can keep our program nationally competitive."

In that first season, Wells made an immediate impact at Northwestern. His 1990 club set a state record by opening the season with 20 consecutive wins and posted the 38-13 record, a turnaround of a 21-28-1 record from the previous season. The Demons won the NCAA fielding championship that season with a .981 defensive percentage.

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"I'm very grateful to the University and the community," Wells said. "Dr. Alost showed a lot of confidence in me and without his support, we would have not been able to have the success we have achieved over the last five years. I'll be forever grateful."

Wells guided his 1991 and 1994 teams to an NCAA Regional Tournament. The Demons traveled to Baton Rouge in 1991 and lost their first two games of the regional.

Last weekend, Northwestern traveled to Stillwater, Okla., for the Midwest I Regional and recorded the school's first-ever win in a regional tournament by defeating Illinois State 8-2.

During his five years at Northwestern, Wells has had 17 players named first-team All-SLC, including five this season. His players have captured two SLC "Player of the Year" awards with Brian Carlin taking the honor in 1991 and Kyle Shade in 1993. Demons have been SLC "Pitcher of the Year" on two occasions also with Barry Shepherd (1991) and Reggie Gatewood (1993) taking those honors.

Outfielder Terry Joseph was named GTE Academic All-America last year as a sophomore and is expected to repeat that honor later this month.

Four Demon players, including Gatewood, earned undergraduate degrees at Northwestern's May 13 commencement exercises.

"Our baseball program is in great shape on the field and off the field, too." Hildebrand said. "Jim has brought together a bunch of quality young men and we are proud of the teams he's put together."

The Demons have ranked among national leaders in team fielding and team earned run average in four of his five seasons. Northwestern scored road wins over LSU in 1991 and 1993, when the Tigers went on to claim the NCAA title.

### Move causes cancellation of camps

A lot of kids hoping to attend June baseball camps are going to be more than a little disappointed. With the resignations of Jim Wells and Mitch Gaspard, the baseball camps have been canceled indefinitely.

Doug Ireland, director of Sports Information, said no plans are definite. According to Ireland, former Northwestern players, including Kevin Berry, are discussing the feasibility of instituting a baseball camp later this summer.

After a replacement for Wells is named, that may also provide an opportunity, but another alternative is for kids to attend one of the many other camps offered by the sports departments.

Normally, the participants range from "little leaguers to high school. Every one of our camps has a wide range of skills and abilities," Ireland said. "You don't have to be an excellent player to enjoy any of our camps."

# Gaspard follows Wells to Alabama

Northwestern State hopes to name a new head baseball coach by July 1, according to Tynes Hildebrand, athletic director of NSU sports.

He made the comment after assistant coach Mitch Gaspard decided to join former Demon head coach Jim Wells at the University of Alabama.

Gaspard was offered the Demons' head coaching position but decided Monday to follow Wells to Alabama.

"I took two or three days to think about it and it was a tough decision," Gaspard said.

"What it came down to was having the chance to be a top assistant at a school that is part of the best baseball conference in the country. With me being just 29 years old, I believe that I will get an opportunity to be a head coach again somewhere down the road, but I don't know that the opportunity of joining a school like Alabama will come around again."

Gaspard spent two years at Northwestern, helping guide the Demons to an 85-29 record and two SLC championships.

Prior to joining Northwestern, Gaspard was an assistant at Southwestern Louisiana for five years.

Hildebrand said a national search is underway for a new head coach. Applicants must have had at least three years of collegiate coaching experience, with division I experience preferred.

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# ADA forces construction for accessibility

By Jane Baldwin
*The Current Sauce*

While entering a building at Northwestern seems to be a relatively simple task, it is not so easy for the physically impaired.

"They never expected us to be here," Michelle Stracner, a senior social work and sociology major from Pitkin, said. "The ramps are always broken up or too steep."

Jill Rogers, a senior veterinary technician and business major from Alexandria, helps push Stracner around campus but not without complications.

"It isn't very easy," Rogers said. "The ramps need to be smoother. It's not very handicapped accessible."

Entering Kyser Hall has especially become a hard task for the disabled due to the construction around the building. Waddy Norman, the NSU Americans with Disabilities Act coordinator and assistant director of the physical plant, said the construction is for the "alternative route for handicaps."

Norman said in the 1980s, Northwestern had to comply with section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act. The Act demands all public facilities be handicap accessible. For example, the University made renovations such as ramps and sidewalks to provide easier access.

Now, the university must comply with ADA regulations that include much more. "We had to develop a transition plan to meet with ADA requirements for all the building accesses, sidewalks, parking lots, interiors of buildings and restroom facilities," Norman said.

The transition plan was developed for the main NSU campus along with the Shreveport and Leesville/Fort Polk campuses. "I have to develop a plan that will go to the administration that they have to adhere to," Norman said. "That plan will be in the works for about a year."

"In the meantime, we have given them [the disabled] an alternative route," he said. The alternative route will be a "walking mall plaza."

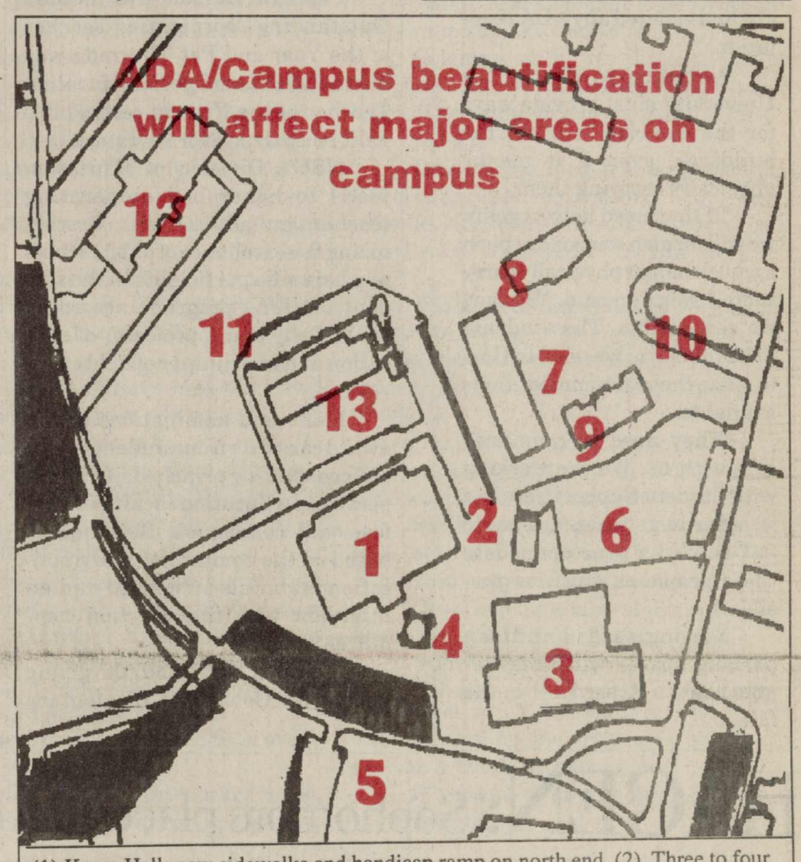
In the alternative plan no parking will be available around Kyser Hall except for three to five spaces for handicap parking at the south end of the building (refer to graph) along with regular handicap parking in the commuter and faculty

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## Uphill Battle



**Northwestern is undergoing a transformation to conform to Americans With Disabilities Act regulations. The ADA was enacted to ensure access to public facilities for handicapped individuals such as Northwestern student, Michelle Stracener (above).**




(1) Kyser Hall: new sidewalks and handicap ramp on north end. (2) Three to four new handicap parking spaces by Kyser Hall. (3) Student Union. (4) New access road connecting the (5) commuter and (6) faculty parking lots. (7) New ramps and sidewalks connecting (8) Fournet Hall with the (9) business and home economics buildings and the (10) commuter parking lot. (11) Commuter parking lot connected to (12) Biology Building and (13) Williamson Hall by new ramps and sidewalks.

# 7 represent NSU in Miss La. pageant

The usual bout of nerves did not affect Melissa Mabou, Miss Cenlabration, who was named third runner-up in the Miss Louisiana pageant while performing in front of thousands of people on live television June 18.

Miss Natchitoches City of Lights, Julie Cameron, a junior broadcast journalism major, was also selected as one of the top ten finalists along with Mabou. This was Mabou and Cameron's second time to compete in the pageant and Mabou said the experience paid off.

"I was so much calmer," Mabou, a senior English education/pre-law major, said. "I wasn't nervous at all. Last year I was so intimidated by some of the older girls because they had all been there before me.

"Just having that experience is like having a little notch in your belt," she said. "It really helps out because you know what to expect and you don't have to worry about feeling your way through it."

Tiffany Mock, the winner of the 1994 Miss Louisiana pageant, had previously competed four times for the title of Miss Louisiana.

Five other Northwestern students performed in the pageant: Becky Bacle, NSU Miss Lady of the Bracelet; Kelly Cobb, Miss Dixie Gem Peach; Chelsey Collins, Miss Robeline Heritage Festival; Christy Moncrief, Miss Fort Polk, and Jennifer Stratton, Miss West La. Forestry Festival.

Cobb tied with Mock, the reigning Miss Shreveport, for first place in the preliminary swimsuit competition.

A highlight of the pageant is not just the thrill of wearing a crown. Mabou said that just being there is all worthwhile."

"The top 10 is the thriller," she said. "I think that does more for me than when they start calling out the top five. When they call your name out it's just great."

Competing in pageants has other rewards besides winning a title. The ten finalists and the top five receive scholarships. Mabou received up to $3,000 for being in the top five.

# Southern schools show improvement

By Jane Baldwin
*The Current Sauce*

Louisiana and other Southern schools and colleges are showing signs of educational improvement, according to a new report tracking the progress of Southern states toward regional and national education goals, but the signals are mixed and the improvements are not taking place fast enough.

*Educational Benchmarks 1994*, released Tuesday at the annual meeting of the Southern Regional Education Board, found that elementary and secondary schools are holding their own and in some cases doing a better job than they did a decade ago.

"On the positive side, more students are learning basic skills, more high school students take college prep courses and advanced courses for college credit, and fewer students are dropping out of school," SREB President Mark Musick said.

"More states assess the quality and performance of public colleges and universities," he said. " States have more programs to serve very young children, and gaps in achievement and educational attainment among racial and ethnic groups are narrowing.

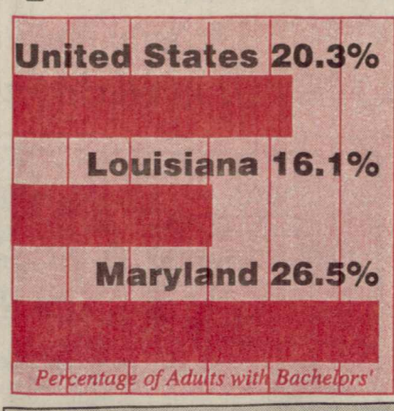
"But our pace is too slow, and there are too few reliable indicators of progress," Musick said.

Though progress may be slow, more students go to college and finish college than ever before. About 43 percent of young adults in the SREB states have completed four or more years. The percentage of Louisiana students graduating with a bachelors' degree is 16.1 percent compared to the national average of 20.3 percent.

Only about one-half of entering freshmen graduate with a bachelor's degree within six years. Minority students graduate at rates much lower than those for Caucasian students.

At Northwestern, 405 students graduated in May with bachelor degrees. Over 130 students received

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# NSU steer wrestler places nationally

By Jane Baldwin
*The Current Sauce*

After years of rodeos, steer wrestling and sometimes painful injuries, all the hard work of one Northwestern student paid off in 4.7 seconds. Chad Hagen placed sixth in the nation in rodeo steer wrestling at the College National Rodeo Finals held June 13-19 at Bozeman, Mont.

Hagen, a sophomore business administration major from Leesville, competed for the first time with 80 other contestants from around the country. Contestants competed in three rounds where Hagen placed first in the second round for his time of 4.7 seconds. He received a ring for placing first in the second round.

The judges take the top ten from each round, and Hagen ranked in the top ten in each one. He was later ranked sixth in the nation. Hagen also received $1,000 in scholarships.

"I am very pleased with my performance," he said.

Hagen is not a newcomer to the rodeo circuit. Rodeos played a vital role in his life. "I have been performing in rodeos all my life ever since I've been big enough to ride a horse," he said. "I thought it was exciting

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## PARKING:

### Northwestern modifies campus to accommodate ADA regulations

parking lots. A new access road will be built from the Student Union parking lot to the south end of Kyser Hall.

The University will construct sidewalks along with several new ramps from all the commuter parking lots by the Kyser, Williamson, business, homemaking and science buildings.

Meanwhile, the construction makes entering Kyser Hall difficult for the disabled. Norman said disabled students needing assistance to enter the buildings, should contact him. Norman sends workers to assist the students into the building.

In February of 1993, the parking lot in front of Kyser was temporarily closed to begin construction of the walking-mall plaza, leaving no means for the disabled to enter Kyser Hall. The State Fire Marshall, John Pharis, investigated the scene but found no reasons to believe Northwestern had violated any ADA regulations.

According to Pharis, the University must provide ways for the disabled to enter the buildings, even if it means physically carrying them.

"If they need help to get in we will furnish someone to push a wheelchair or physically carry them," Norman said. "By law, we can do this. The students need to realize we need to time to make these accommodations available.

"They need to communicate with us. We are working with Student Support Services in order to get these people to tell us. We try to accommodate these people as much as possible."

Normansaid handicap parking spaces will be available next to Kyser Hall in the fall.

## NSU theater students perform abroad

More than 40 students in Northwestern's theater program will be learning and polishing their craft in summer stock productions from Maine to Utah.

"We're very proud of our students who have received some great opportunities," Dr. Jack Wann, NSU artistic director, said. "Summer stock is a great learning opportunity. The students reinforce much of what they have learned here, and begin to find out what a theatrical career is like."

Several other students including Patty Breckenridge, Leah Coleman, Kim Howard, Angel Guidroz and Scott Gaudin will be involved in the Summer Dinner Theatre production of *Damn Yankees*.

Students earned positions through auditions at the Southeastern Theatre Conference in Savannah, Ga., the Midwest Theatre Conference in St. Louis and at NSU.

## Teachers receive honors

Patricia Horton was named Outstanding Coorperating Teacher of the Year and Pat Thurmon was named Louisiana Special Education Teacher of the Year in ceremonies held recently at Northwestern.

NSU's Division of Education plans to honor one cooperating teacher annually as a way of recognizing the excellence of public school teachers who participate in the student teaching program, according to Dr. Sally Hunt, professor of education and coordinator of field experiences.

Hunt said nominations or the award can come from student teachers, cooperating principals, NSU supervisors, education faculty or professional colleagues. Selection is based on the nomination and application materials submitted and an interview with the selection committee.

Horton is a fourth grade teacher at Coushatta Elementary School. Thurman teaches at Winnfield Primary School.

Horton earned her bachelor's and master's degrees at Northwestern. She has been a teacher for 26 years, holding teaching positions at Green Park Elementary in Metairie, Riverdale Academy and Coushatta Elementary.

Thurmon has been at Winnfield Primary School since 1988 and has served as a cooperating teacher for many Northwestern special education/elementary majors. She has taught in special education settings in Texas and Louisiana schools since 1974. Thurmon earned a bachelor's degree from Louisiana Tech, a master's from Louisiana State University - Shreveport and is pursuing a specialist degree in special education.

## Retirees



**Northwestern bid farewell to nine of its retiring employees week before last with a dinner at the president's residence.(L-R): William Knipmeyer, Gordon Coker, Lynn Bissell, Janiece Ainsworth, John Cucka, Betty Posey, Bertrand Boyd, Robbie Roderick.**

## Jewish society donates books and videos to library

The Jewish Chautauqua Society has made a gift of 10 books and videotapes on Judaism to the Watson Library.

Dr. Fraser Snowden, professor of philosophy in the Louisiana Scholars' College, obtained the grant in conjunction with a course he taught in the spring semester on world religions.

"The books and the videotapes will give students additional insight into what Judaism is about," Snowden said. "Many of the books address topics that are of current interest such as the Holocaust."

Since 1948, the Jewish Chautauqua Society has donated more than 120,000 volumes of reference books and course texts to colleges and seminary libraries across the United States and Canada.

## Today's students are stumped by religious references

Walking on water. The forbidden fruit. The troubles of Job. Conquering Goliath.

Increasingly, college students are finding themselves stumped by such well-known biblical references.

Although the Bible has been called the single most influential book in the history of Western culture, many academics say it seems to be unfamiliar territory to more and more college students.

"What some would consider basic elements of our culture, many students simply don't know," Benjamin Wright, assistant professor of religion studies at Lehigh University in Bethlehem, Pa., said. "While they may have heard of a reference, such as David and Goliath, in a non-textual way, if you ask them to tell the story to you, they can't."

Academics say increasingly a large number of students are lost when they encounter biblical references in their course work and day-to-day life. Without a basic knowledge of the stories in the New and Old Testaments, students have a difficult time understanding literary allusions in "Moby Dick" and even lyrics in U2 songs.

## More minority faculty urged

Three regional education organizations have launched a national program to address a shortage of minority faculty at US universities and colleges.

The Compact for Faculty Diversity is made up of the New England Board of Higher Education, the Southern Regional Education Board and the Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education.

The shortage is most severe in engineering, mathematics and the physical and biological sciences, but it crosses all disciplines. In 1991, less than 8 percent of doctorates went to African Americans, Hispanics or Native Americans. The percentage of doctorates awarded to minorities has declined over the past decade.

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## HAGEN: Sophomore places 6th out of 80 in College National Rodeo Finals *Continued from front page*

and I started doing it as soon as I was old enough."

He began steer wrestling in high school, but also participated in calf roping and team roping when he was younger.

Steer wrestling seems to be over even before it is begun. Some runs will be over in about 3.5 seconds.

"You have to have really good timing," Hagen said. "You don't want to try to throw down the steer too early and you don't want to let the steer outrun you. You try to get off when you're in the middle of the steer's back. Then you reach for the horns and place your feet on the ground where you can slide along. You end the run by reaching for the nose and laying it on the side."

The count stops when the steer is on its side and all four feet are going in the same direction.

Hagen said that his horse is also an important element in putting together a solid run.

"If the horse messes up at any point, you're in trouble," he said. "If you have a good run, then the horse has done well."

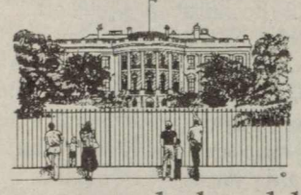
Steer wrestling can be dangerous. "I had two of my front teeth knocked out," he said. However, the injuries don't stop him from riding.

Hagen was the only qualifier from NSU, but his teammates on the rodeo team placed highly in the region. Brad Prewitt, a freshman business management major from Natchitoches, was fourth in the region in steer wrestling. Seth Jones, a freshman drafting technology major from Pine Grove, La., was 12th in the region in bareback riding. Scott Welch of Sugartown, La., a freshman radiologic technology major, was part of the winning roping team in a rodeo at McNeese and part of a third place team in a rodeo at Southwest Texas.

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# *Damn Yankees* take Northwestern's stage July 7

## *Production features talents of* Cats *actor*

By Heather Urena
*The Current Sauce*

Have you ever wanted to see a current revival of a Broadway musical smash? Well, the next best thing, a whole lot closer to home, is the Northwestern performance of *Damn Yankees*.

Several Tony awards were recently bestowed upon the national tour of this revival. It's an exciting show with lots of dance, based on Douglass Wallop's novel *The Year the Yankees Lost the Pennant*.

"I wanted to do something bigger this summer--with a larger cast," said Dr. Jack Wann, artistic director of the theater. "I wanted to expand the offering to the public and have them see something a little classier."

The production will be using some live instrumentals, but they are also incorporating some computerized pieces of music.

"I moved it [the summer production] from The Alley over here [A.A. Fredericks Fine Arts Auditorium] which allows for more dance. So I wanted to pick a show with lots of dance."

"We wanted to do either *Guys and Dolls* or *Damn Yankees*," Wann said.

The proximity of national tours that are currently performed determine what productions that university productions are allowed to perform.

"This is one of the few times you will get to see a show at the same time it's playing on Broadway," Wann said.

Veteran dancer Kelli McNally provided another smash Broadway perspective for this production. She originated a character in *Cats* and was the guest choreographer.

The cast is approximately 85 percent students, 10 percent faculty and 5 percent townspeople. Wann is really pleased with the cast and their range of abilities--especially with the "heavy rehearsal schedule."

According to Wann, *Damn Yankees* is a twist on the Faust story. It pits the Devil against the Washington Senators and a middle-aged baseball fanatic who trades his soul for the chance to lead the Senators out of the cellar into a pennant race with their arch-rivals, the New York Yankees.

The character Joe Boyd leaves his wife to become the baseball sensation of the year, Joe Hardy. His purpose is to beat the "damn Yankees." His victories soon pale as he realizes that what he left behind is just as important as what he has achieved.

With a little help from Lola, the Devil's vixen, Joe outwits the Devil and returns to the world and wife he left behind, but not before the Senators clinch the final game and the pennant race.

The play dates are Thursdays through Sundays from July 7-24. Tickets are $14.95. A buffet style dinner around the stage will begin at 6:45 p.m., and the performance will begin at 8 p.m. Tickets are also available for those who want to view the performance without attending dinner.



**Leah Coleman plays the seductress "Lola"in the Northwestern production of Damn Yankees. Performances begin July 7 and will run Thursdays through Sundays until July 24.**

### Show Information

**TIME: Dinner-6:45 p.m.;Curtain-8 p.m.**
**PLACE: A.A. Fredericks Auditorium**
**TICKET INFO: Call 357-6891**

### Damn Yankees

## What Lola wants... Lola gets

By Heather Urena
*The Current Sauce*

This "Lola" has to work hard to get what she wants. Leah Coleman, a junior theater major from Jena, La., is playing Lola, the Devil's vixen, in the upcoming Northwestern production of *Damn Yankees*.

Coleman works hard to maintain the high standards she has set for herself. She has been on the Dean's List, holds a work study job, keeps fit, rehearses and is managing a full course-load.

Dr. Jack Wann, artistic director of the theater, said the department is fortunate Coleman is attending school this summer. "We always have kids. I always have a good 'codery' of kids who want to do a show," Wann said. "Actors can't sit still; they've got to perform."

The part of Lola requires a lot of song and dance. "Leah is a strong dancer," Wann said. "She's even redheaded like the original Lola was."

Coleman doesn't have time to sit still in her role as the vixen. Coleman's tight schedule begins at 7 a.m. when she cares for a new puppy; she is in class 9 a.m.-12 p.m.; she works 1-3 p.m.; and rehearsals begin shaping up around 6:30 or 7 p.m., and they end around 10:30 p.m.

Performing musical theater requires good health and stamina. "For preparation ... it involves a physical work-out to do the numbers, and vocally there's a lot more work involved," Coleman said. "My best preparation is a positive attitude.

"You have to stay agile and fit in every way to keep your focus."

Somewhere between the blocked times, she eats, rehearses, cares for her puppy, works out, calls her family, grocery shops, takes care of finances and, oh yeah, she squeezes in time to sleep.

Coleman's advice could work for anyone with hectic schedules: "The way to succeed is keeping your priorities straight, and with your family supporting you. Focus is the key to success. You have to keep your goals in mind."

She is a driven, young woman who doesn't let anything interfere with realizing her dreams. And Coleman is as tough and determined as her character.

Coleman said, "We [Lola and Leah] both have our own tactics of getting what we want. The same vitality and fun with her life, I have it, too."

Despite the long hours, Coleman is full of energy and motivation. "What you get here [at Northwestern]--for payment--is in experience. You couldn't get this anywhere else."

She expects to graduate in Spring 1995. That may change. She may postpone it for the opportunity to perform in one of her favorite productions--either *Sweet Charity* or *Gypsy*.

During the last three years she has consistently performed in Northwestern productions, as well as summer stock.

She has sung, danced, sewn costumes, built sets and made calls to help recruit patrons in support of the theater.

Despite long hours, she stays upbeat about her craft. "In the theater, you have to learn from each other."

Coleman is energetic, idealistic and highly motivated. She plans to move to New York as soon as she graduates, so she can become a "working performer."

She seems to have found her focus--in the limelight.



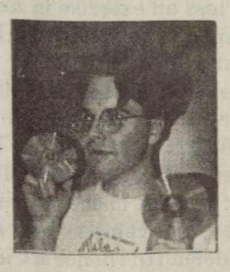
**Kelli McNally, guest choreographer, provides direction to member of the Damn Yankees cast.**

## Byrne Returns without Heads

*Former Genesis front-man releases new solo effort*

### Looney Tunes

**Ricky Darbonne**



Mark my word, 1994 will be known in the annals of music history as the year of washed up rock stars.

Washed up may be a bit harsh. Something noteworthy about middle aged rockers: they are outselling their vivacious (yet angst ridden) twenty-something counterparts.

Two cases in point: **Pink Floyd** and the **Rolling Stones**, probably the only two bands whose grandchildren can be seen at one of their concerts.

Well, I suppose seniority and established talent has its place even in the cut throat realm of the music industry (Just ask Mr. Cobain... oops).

The latest from the crypt of rock ancients is **David Byrne**, whose various musical sojourns (including the **Talking Heads**, the **Tom Tom Club** and his illustrious solo career) have taken him back where he started. Well, minus the oversized suits and handpuppet repertoire.

While Byrne's solo career can be best described as experimental, this self-titled album is familiar ground to our aging star.

As always, the songs are saturated with Byrne's sobering wit. In "angels" he muses: "There are no angels left in America/ anymore/ they left after the second world war/ heading west/ stopping briefly in Japan during the/ 60's/ then in Tiananmen Square, during/ the last decade."

Byrne even manages to fit in something resembling a ballad in "my love is you." Other striking tracks include "back in the box" and "you and eye" which is a must for those craving Byrne a la Caribbean.

The disc is available on the *Luaka Bop* label of Warner Brothers, and includes choice shots of Byrne's hair (divine decadence!).

Other aging rock stars (ARS) that have recently released albums include **Elvis Costello**, the **Pretenders**, **Adrian Belew**, **John Cale**, and the biggest surprise of them all was **Johnny Cash** (I always knew he was a closet rock star).

Some other things to look out for in the future: **Beastie Boys**, **Spin Doctors**, **Lush**, **Popinjays**, **INXS**, and **Neil Diamond.** Check out these and much more on *Le Daemon* 91.7 FM **KNWD** noon- midnight.

## The Natchitoches-NSU Folk Festival

Louisiana Toys and Games: The Makers & The Players

## Festival contests appeal to spirit of fun

By Madelyn Boudreaux
*The Current Sauce*

If you like to tell tall stories and love to stretch the truth, then the Natchitoches-NSU Folk Festival has a contest for you.

It's the "World's Best Liars and Braggers" contest, to be held at the Festival on July 16. The contest is part of this year's theme, Louisiana Toys and Games: The Makers and The Players.

The Festival begins its 15th year and has been selected by the Southeast Tourism Society as one of the "Top 20 Events" in the Southeast for July, 1994. "Louisiana has a reputation for having fun, and we wanted to tap into that spirit at our festival," Dr. Don Hatley, director of the Louisiana Folklife Center and the Folk Festival, said. "Tall-tales, fish-stories, and exaggerated jokes are a big part of our culture."

Interested story-tellers can still sign up for the contest. Stories should be suitable for a family audience, and should last three to five minutes. They should be funny, exaggerated, and highly improbable.

Thelma Daigle of Scott, La, will emcee the contest. She placed third in a similar competition at Lafayette's Acadian Village, and has helped Folk Festival coordinator Laura Morten to plan this contest. First- and second-place winners will be presented trophies, and the third-place winner will receive a Festival tee-shirt.

The festival will also host the third annual Gumbo Cook-off on Friday afternoon, July 15. Contestants compete in two categories, seafood and poultry plus. A special "Sportsmanship" trophy will also be awarded to the group that shows the most spirit during the contest.

The Louisiana Folklife Center sponsored an earlier contest for Louisiana students in the 8-12 grades. Each student interviewed an older friend or an adult about a toy or game from his or her childhood. The resulting written descriptions turned in by the students will be compiled into a volume entitled *Traditional Louisiana Toys and Games*. The book will be available at the festival.

The Natchitoches-NSU Folk Festival will feature Louisiana music, traditional crafts, and activities for kids, all located in air-conditioned Prather Coliseum. Festival dates are July 15, 16 and 17. For more information, contact the Folklife Center, Rm. 213 Kyser, or call 357-4332.

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# PROGRESS...FINALLY

## *Handicap accessibility improvements at Northwestern a long time coming*

We at *The Current Sauce* are overjoyed to learn that the University is endeavoring to make Northwestern s facilities more accessible to physically challenged students on campus. And it s about time.

Laws requiring universities to be handicap accessible were originally enacted in The 1973 Rehabilitation Act. Now over 20 years later, Northwestern is finally taking action to ensure that all students are treated equally.

The reason for this delay was a result the political mind set. First of what money was set aside for the disabled was reallocated in some of Reagan s infamous budget revisions.

Second, in the grand tradition of mentally challenged Louisiana politicians, when it was time to comply with these regulations, could not find the money.

Third, college administrators tend to place priorities only with such matters which relate directly to monetary gain for the university.

In the 1980s, Northwestern did begin to comply with this law. The administration building ramps and otherwise making facilities accessible to the handicapped. However,this was not enough to date not all campus buildings are equipped with accommodations such as elevators and ramps.

*"Northwestern is finally taking action to ensure that all students are treated equally"*

But now, with great convenience, plans for campus beautification can provide accommodations such as ramps and walkways connecting centrally located buildings on campus.

In the meantime, however, this project is sadly inconvenient for the very students it seeks to benefit. Of course construction takes time to complete and we must patiently await improvements. Also, the University s offer to physically carry students into inaccessible buildings is extremely gallant and admirable.

We wonder if all physically challenged students were made aware of this prospective service when the construction began. Do the students know how and where to gain access to such aid?

Also one wonders, if a students were to become unexpectedly unable to enter a building will he or she be able to find a phone, call the proper party, wait for help to come and be carried into the building in time for class?

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By Derek G. Dieterich,
*Concerned Alumnus*

What if I told you that Northwestern had an excess of a half million dollars in it s budget?

To anyone with any interest in education, they would envision new academic facilities such as computers or library books. To someone who feels that extracurricular activities are important, a new playing field or a down payment on a new intramural building would be high on the list. To someone who feels that campus crimes have gotten out of hand, a new set of lights would be nice. To those of us who can t find a parking spot, how about a new parking lot somewhere in this zip code?

A half million dollars could sure do a lot of things to improve this university. To Robert Alost, NSU president, a half million dollars can keep the students from parking in a half empty faculty parking lot. It could also tear up a perfectly good sidewalk and pave it with cobblestone bricks. I think the president s priorities are a little bit messed up.

That s right. The new renovations that are going on between Kyser and Fournet are costing $490,000. That doesn t even include the cost of labor. It seems that the labor for this massive project is not coming from a professional contractor. It is being done by our own skilled workers at NSU. These are the same ones who couldn t fix the potholes in the road in front of the Student Union for more than two semesters. Can you imagine what the cost would be to have the job done correctly? It might cost a full million.

The real reason this it is being done by our workers is to save from having to get bids from someone who has experience in this field. You see, if he did that, he wouldn t be able to call it campus improvements. By calling it campus improvements, he sneaks it through the budget. If he called it tearing up the parking lot so I can make a walking mall out of bricks, he wouldn t get it by anyone with half a brain. By saving money on professional labor and having it done by our own skilled workers, do you think that this will soon find a spot in the budget under repairs to things that were never done correctly ?

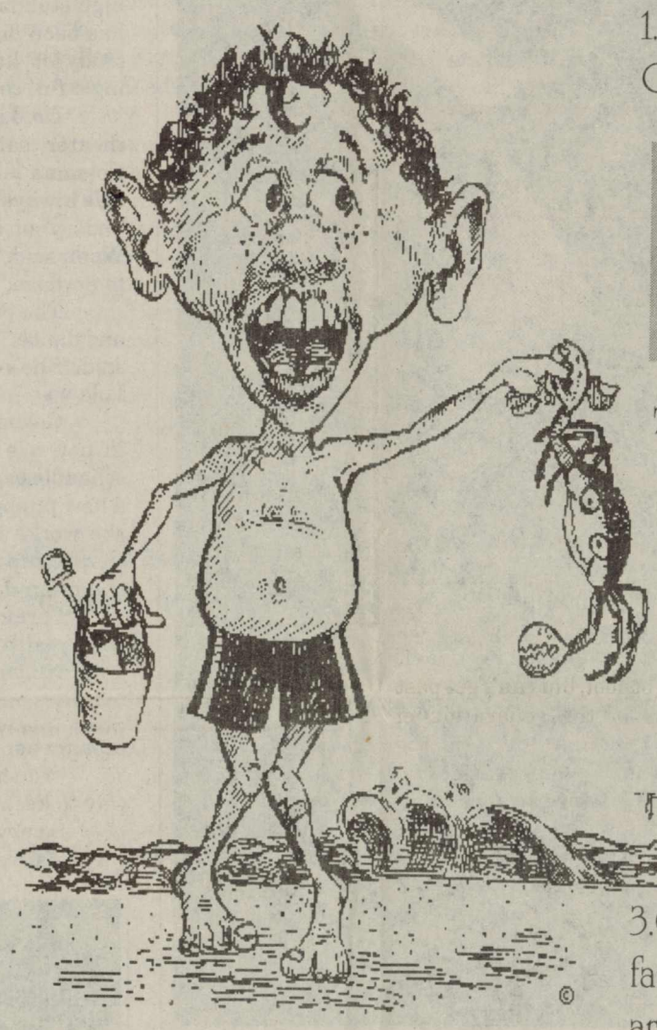
I guess I shouldn t complain too much. At least you didn t go back to some national forest and cut down another tree just so you could carve out another queer-looking demon. I'just wish President Alost would take the same passion in improving the academic facilities as he has done in preventing anyone from parking in the forbidden faculty zones and in making NSU such a beautiful campus. After all, isn t that (academics) what a university is all about?

## *Forum*

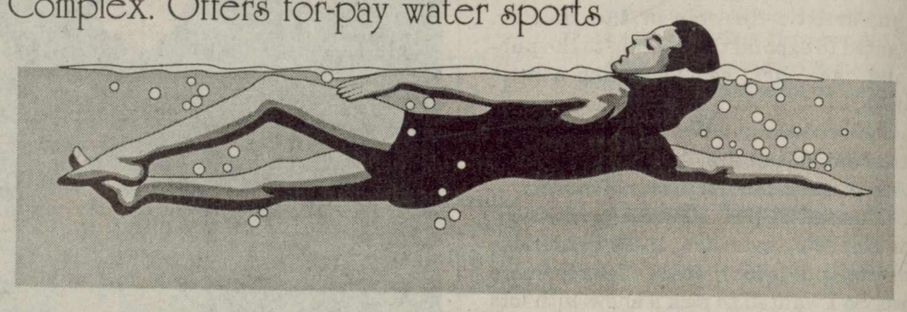


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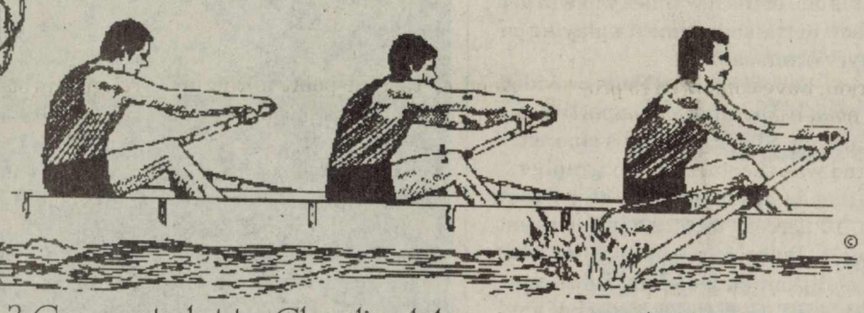
(in light of recent floods) **Northwestern considers profitable alternate uses for the former Kyser Hall parking lot**



1. A satellite branch of the Recreation Complex. Offers for-pay water sports



2. Cashes in on the booming seafood industry by stocking area with lobster, crawfish and large-mouth bass. (Fishing tip: bass tend to congregate around flora-particularly trees)



3.Connects lot to Chaplins lake via man-made canal. Charges fare from only remaining parking lot (the coliseum) to classes around campus

# Go Team, Kill Kill Kill!

## *Banana Notes*

**Madelyn Boudreaux**



All this recent talk about O.J. Simpson has put me to thinking about violence and the media and football. Now, generally, violence and football go hand-in-hand so I'm not sure why everyone is so surprised by Simpson's alleged violence off the field, unless they figured he had just slowed down a bit. After all, it has been nearly 5 years since he was placed on probation for beating his wife.

A December 10, 1990 article by Mike Capuzzo in The *Buffalo News* details the alarming but unsurprising connection between football and domestic violence. According to Irene Basil of the Women's Program at Philadelphia's Lutheran Settlement House, many women report being beaten by husbands angry over the team's loss, or not enough snacks in the house, or sundry other little problems made worse when the "aggressions that are displayed in the sports arena [are] translated into domestic life and brought home."

According to Paul Bukovic, director of a Philadelphia-based project to help men stop battering their wives, 25% of the cases involve sports-related violence. Three separate studies conducted in Marin County, CA, Denver, and Los Angeles in the late 1980s reported that Super Bowl Sunday is the worst day of the year for women; caseloads at shelters for battered women soar on that day. Roberta Hacker, director of a battered women's group in Philadelphia notes that the style of battering often resembles that of the batterer's favorite sport: a football fan may "tackle" his wife, while a hockey fan may sit on her and punch her repeatedly in the face.

Not only are disgruntled fans taking out their anger on their families, but coaches and players regularly joke about "going home and beating the wife," if the team loses. Joe Paterno, Penn State Coach, ended a postgame news conference with the grim joke, "I'm going to go home and beat my wife." Philadelphia 76ers' star Charles Barkley commented after a near-loss to the New Jersey Mets, "This is a game that if you lose, you go home and beat your wife and kids."

With this sort of "joking" acceptable in the sports arena, it isn't surprising that it trickles down to the fans. At one game, Celtics fans reportedly unfurled a banner which stated that they enjoyed beating rival teams as much as they liked to "beat our wives."

We talk a lot about the breakdown of family values, about the destruction of marriages and the increasing violence we face in day-to-day life. Yet our superstars are the people who can best beat the hell out of other people: football players, boxers, big muscle-bound scary men. As long as our society remains a part of this cult of violence, those "family values," don't stand a chance. It is a double standard to outlaw violence, yet make it a well-paying spectator sport.

Football is glorified violence, pure and simple. Just because it has rules and men in tights doesn't make it any less an exercise in testosterone display. The whole thing is about pain and domination. My friends who have played football all report similar attitudes among the coaches and players: "kill or be killed." Coupled with the worshipful attitude of the rest of the student body -- that these campus heroes, who boldly defend the honor of the school like medieval knights, can do no wrong -- I'm surprised that more football players don't kill their wives, girlfriends, or children. If I were praised for my fury, and sustained enough blows to the head, I might get the idea that "kill or be killed" applies all the time.

The attitude that is encouraged by the heroism that we attach to athletes sends the message that they have the right to be unaccountable for their behavior. As one formerly battered woman commented, "we just need to look at what we're saying to our male children when we encourage them to get into sports."

Football is not alone, of course; Hockey and boxing both glorify direct one-on-one brutality, and even baseball and other less ferocious sports encourage an attitude of fierce competition and aggression. Nor is Simpson the only sports star who has had trouble with the law for domestic violence; Los Angeles Dodger Darryl Strawberry was arrested after he allegedly threatened his wife with a gun and Wes Garder, pitcher for the Boston Red Sox, assaulted his wife in a Baltimore hotel in 1989. And then there's Mike Tyson... according to one report, more than 20 major sports figures were arrested for domestic violence between 1988 and 1990 alone.

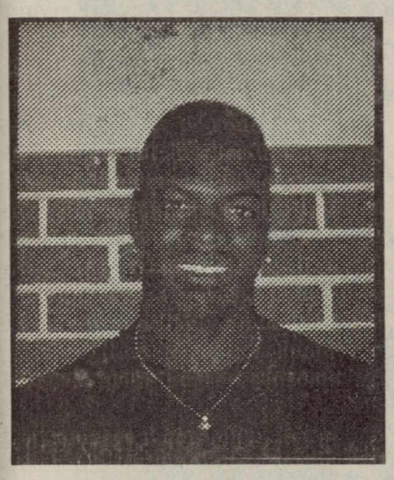
I once helped with the filming of a football game. I was right down there on the sidelines, and it was *really* exciting. Watching those huge men in shiny tights dancing through the rain in a brutal ballet of scrimmages and tackles, I thought I understood why it is our great love. Then, out of nowhere, a behemoth of a man came hurtling in my direction, hotly pursued by several other equally huge men. I managed to get out of the way, just in time -- and watched as they all converged in a bone-crunching pile on the very spot which I had moments before occupied. I stood there, shaking from adrenaline; then I turned around and saw that look of perspiring glee on the faces of all the fans, and realized that the line between terror and fanaticism is a fine one.

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## Current Quotes

### Do you think NSU has adequate facilities for the physically challenged?



**Derek Carson, So, Criminal Justice, Shreveport**
"Yes I do. Well, the elevators, the ramps... [there are] a lot of hills, though."

**Harold "Calvin" Carter, Sr, History, Ferriday.**
"Well, we do have some facilities, a few ramps in certain buildings but I think we could use more elevators... the Student Union would be an ideal place for an elevator, and several of the other dorms could use elevators as well."





**Karla Ponikvar, GR, Music Education, Cleveland, OH**
"I believe so. We have a couple of handicapped people that are staying in our dorm, and they seem to have sufficient space for rooms, and I know that there are ramps all over, so I think there are sufficient facilities."

**Stephanie Pierotti, GR, English, Natchitoches**
"No, not really... The Student Union springs to mind, especially... I ve always wondered how you get around the Student Union if you're on crutches. [Kyser's] elevators are death-traps.... I don t think the dorms have elevators, either."





**Laura Morton, GR, English, Springfield, MO.**
"No, not really. I ve noticed that it s hard to get into the Union. They can only get in from one area, and the elevators are not that accessible."

# Post office tries while president cries

## FROM THE FRONT

**PETE MULDOON**



I admit it. I have a ubscription (albeit a ft one) to the *Conrvative Chronicle*. ncidentally, I no nger receive this ublication because ur local professional escendant of the ony Express deems too difficult to rein r car in at our mailbox; no doubt rtain US Postal Service regulans, spurred on by the absence of mpetition, have conspired to proct her from the work involved in tually dismounting from her car, feat which no doubt would have allenged the abilities of even the ost hardy of our legendary equesian mailmen.)

But I am not a conservative. In ct, in an attempt to balance my eekly ideological diet, I make a oint of tuning in to the *CBS Evening ews*, *60 Minutes*, or some other astion of liberal intellectualism. *MacNeil-Lehrer* is too radical even r me.) For actual facts, I turn of ourse to *C-Span*. Aside from conrming my firm belief that lachiavelli was a novice, a man ho today would likely amount to ttle more than a congressional age, it's an instant cure for insomia.

What amazes me, though, is the ct that politically-minded people sually consider conservatism and iberalism as the only ideological lternatives to each other. In fact, either of the two philosophies has he ability to lead us into the 21st entury. Liberalism is a guaranteed prescription for class division, acial hatred, and complete governent control of society, while conervatism will simply never succeed as long as it relies on governent as an instrument of change.

Indeed, the fundamental differnces between the two are not as ramatic as one might think. Certainly the two camps see themselves s antithetically aligned; attempts t compromise are invariably looked pon as traitorous by stalwarts on oth sides. And yet their ideological oundations are remarkably simiar. Both share the ideology of conrol (and not necessarily of the governmental persuasion); conservatives have the positive distinction of enerally wanting less of it and ocasionally even going to the extraordinary length of trying to justify it.

Examples of this similarity are myriad and pervade almost every facet of public policy. Take the issue of grants by the National Endowment For the Arts. A superficial glance will suffice to inform one that both sides are indeed at odds. Conservatives argue that many grants are awarded to artists who are not deserving or who are offensive to the public; liberals will counter that artists are protected by the First Amendment, (as indeed they are) and that any attempt to deny them funding is censorship and therefore a violation of the Constitution of the United States. But the real issue is not who should be funded, but whether anyone should be funded.

Another case in point is the increasingly irrelevant but bitter debate over the place of religion in public schools. Liberals believe that there is no place for religion in publicly financed schools, including any teaching of creationism. They are correct in this belief. Conservatives believe that religion in schools is fundamental to the survival of the country; that the theory of evolution, being as it is only a theory and requiring as it does a certain suspension of disbelief, should not be taught in public schools as truth, especially since it is in direct contradiction with creation. But conservatives have accepted the notion of public schools as the only viable method of schooling for most families, and so are fighting the wrong fight. They simply cannot disengage from the petty squabbles that keep them from finding new solutions.

Conservatives will be in fits over health care for years because they have fallen into the trap of arguing with liberals over how much health care the government should provide for its subjects. The are so afraid of alienating the people who voted for Bill Clinton that they will not take the principled stand that they should and question whether the government has any business forcing people to buy health care insurance from it at all. So we end up with the spectacle of Bob Dole and George Mitchell trading insults on the Senate floor over details. Hardly the great ideological divide one might imagine.

Liberal ideology, on the other hand, is the ideology of imposition. Whereas conservatives have agreed to the basic principles of unnecessary government control, liberals have longed to impose their beliefs and desires on citizens by means of political and cultural control which permeates the entire society. Liberalism is an old and tired concept, deriving it source of strength and renewal mainly from 60s radicals who are now firmly entrenched in the upper echelons of higher education and from the political and intellectual elite, but its power should not be underrated.

Liberals have some very impressive tactics as well. They are content to slowly change the American culture, relying heavily on the theory that if you begin with a false premise and build from it, people will soon stop questioning its validity and begin focusing on the conclusions drawn from it. For example, they begin with the flawed premise that government should directly provide education for its subjects, conclude that tax money should finance it, and then claim that it must be completely devoid of religion. This infuriates conservatives, who know instinctively that children should be taught religion in school, but can't get past the reality of the separation of church and state. But it is the premise which is flawed; parents should not be forced to send their children to public schools by being forced to pay for public education even if they can somehow afford to send their children to private or parochial schools.

The technique of drawing logical conclusions from false premises can be a very effective one. For example, if I were to tell you that blacks should be segregated or treated differently from whites you would probably conclude that I was a bigot and start looking for a tall tree and a short rope. This conclusion would likely result from your recognition of the fact that the two races are equal (even if they are not always treated that way.) But if I were to convince you that blacks were somehow inferior or harmful to whites, then segregation or quotas might seem to be a logical course of action. This is why conservatives will never defeat quotas; they argue that it costs white people jobs but fail to attack the root of the problem- the belief by many that minorities are intrinsically inferior and therefore need special treatment. They want you to believe that blacks are treated the same as whites when the government of the United States engages in racial and sexual discrimination as a matter of public policy.

Why don't conservatives fight these false premises? I don't know. It's possible that they are afraid to destroy them because they feel that one day they may be useful to them, too. The world is, after all, full of cynics.

Our poor president finally lashed out forcefully at his detractors last week, saying, "I don't suppose there's any public figure that's ever been subject to any more violent attacks than I have, at least in modern history...". I'm behind you, Bill. I find it disgusting that people would dislike you more than Nixon before he resigned, or Hitler, or Stalin, or even one of the New Kids. I sure hope you don't cry about all this, because you really are a nice guy, not to mention our president! And all this criticism must be a terrible shock to you. Who is anybody to argue with the President of the United States, by gosh! This is an attack on the very honor of our nation!

Someone please pass the Gerber's and the pacifier while his mouth is still open.

## Connect! : Events & Opportunities

***The Current Sauce***
The Current Sauce is seeking writers and photographers for the third and fourth summer sessions. If interested, pick up an application in rm 225 Kyser or rm 153 Kyser.

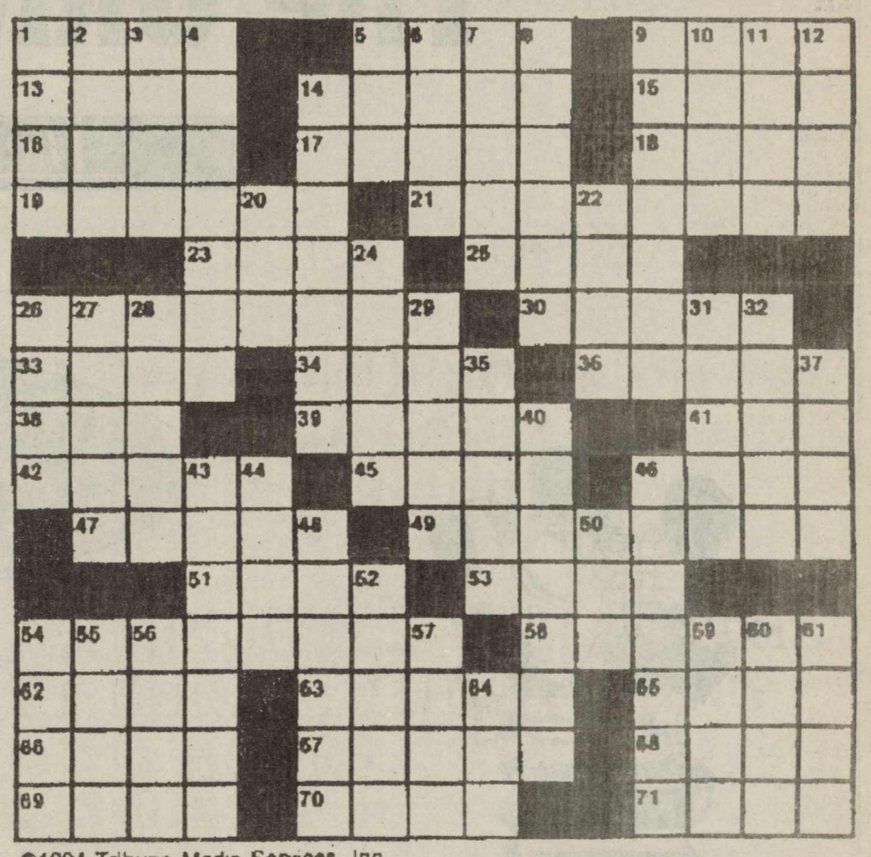
***The Demon 91.7 KNWD***
The Demon, NSU's student-run radio station, is seeking news reporters for the summer. For more infomation, call 357-4180 or stop by the station office in South Hall.

***NSU Post Office***
Beginning in the 1994 fall semester, NSU box rent will be $12 for the fall semster, $12 for the spring semester and $8 for the summer. A student can pay a total sum of $32 in the fall for a complete year of box rental.

***University Holiday***
Monday, July 4, 1994 is a holiday. Classes are dismissed and the University will be closed. Departments with essential services will be expected to operate as needed.

***Folk Festival***
Volunteers are needed to help with the Kid Fest, video, audio, and photographic documentation, and other festival duties. Volunteers get in free on the day that they work, and those who work for 4 hours or more will receive a festival t-shirt. Contact Maddie Boudreaux at the Louisiana Folklife Center, 357-4332.

## THE Crossword

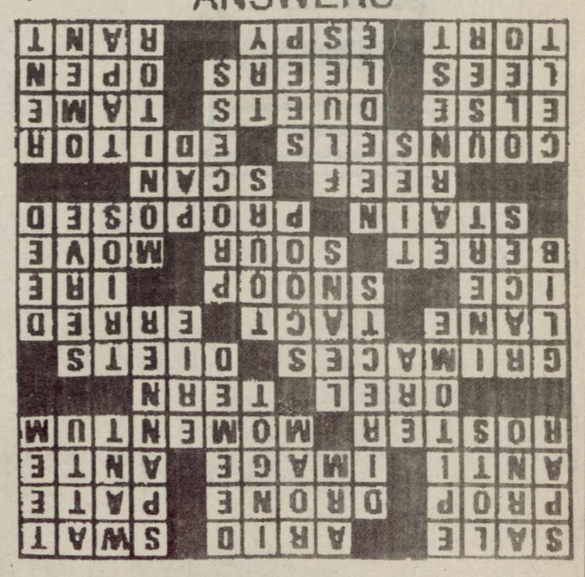


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34 Delicate handling
36 Made a mistake
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47 Wood dye
49 Offered marriage
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**ANSWERS**



# Monroe murder tried in Natchitoches

Jurors handed down a guilty of manslaughter verdict Thursday in the murder retrial of Fabian Logwood, 23, of Monroe.

Logwood was tried for the second degree murder of Anthony Fuller, 21, of Shreveport.

Fuller was a junior at Northeast Louisiana University when he was shot outside a night spot, Club Paradise, in Monroe. The shooting occurred after an altercation in the bar. The defense alleged Logwood felt he was in danger when he shot Fuller twice outside the club entrance.

Prosecutors alleged Logwood had premeditated the murder after he had been removed from the bar.

Witnesses testified that Logwood and Fuller became involved in an altercation after an incident involving Fuller and Logwood's girlfriend, Arlice Green.

Green testified in court that Logwood spit beer on her and then cursed her. The defense argued that the insult to Logwood's girlfriend and mother of his child was too much for him to handle.

According to defense witnesses, Fuller charged out of the club and Logwood, fearful for his life and still enraged over the insult to his girlfriend, shot him twice.

Forensics expert George McCormick examined Fuller's body and determined that either of the two shots fired could have killed Fuller.

McCormick said Fuller was shot once through the chest and once in the back. One of the shots pierced Fuller's aorta, causing extensive hemmorhaging.

After the jury selection Monday, attorneys for Logwood said the jury was racially biased. Only two of the jury members were black.

During testimony Tuesday the defense called for a mistrial after a witness made reference to a previous conviction of Logwood. That motion was overruled.

The jury took almost three hours to reach its decision.

Sentencing will be in Monroe. The defense has said it plans to appeal the verdict.

# EDUCATION: *Continued from front page*

associate degrees. The percentage of first-time freshmen who graduate within six years ranges from 31 to 60 percent in the SREB states that report this information. Graduation rates for blacks and Hispanics are 10 to 20 percentage points below those for caucasians.

According to the SREB report, an important factor to help improve the South's completion rate is to provide quality remedial programs. Northwestern has remedial classes for both English and math with a writing center and math lab full of tutors to assist the students.

The remedial programs give students extra support to succeed and stay in school.

Many high school students do not continue on to college due to lack of money. One of four students live in poverty and in Louisiana and Mississippi, more than one-third do.

The latest national reports show that state and local government spending for education was lower at the beginning of this decade than five years earlier. Although, spending for education grew at a faster rate than overall spending in Florida, Louisiana, Maryland, Tennessee, and Texas.

Almost 30 percent of state and local government spending in the region is for government, secondary, and higher education.

The portion of these expenditures for higher education was 9.2 percent in 1985, 7.6 percent in 1989, and 8.4 percent in 1991.

These changes may appear small, but these "small declines" amount to hundreds of millions of dollars not going toward the education of young people and adults.

The "small decline" for higher education amounts to about $2 billion. When expenditures fell from the state and local government share of higher education, much of the cost of funding of colleges and universities relied on students and their families. Now, 28 percent of tuition accounts for funding of public-higher education.

Despite many obstacles, Louisiana now ranks eighth among the 14 Southern Regional Board States for graduates with a bachelor degree and the numbers are continuing to grow. Northwestern reached a record high with 662 graduates from 1993-94, a number that the administration hopes will increase through the years.

# Kickin' it up



**Picturedat the Miss La. pageant last week are Northwestern competitors (L-R): Julie Cameron, Melissa Mabou, Kelly Cobb, Christy Moncrief and Rebecca Bacle.**

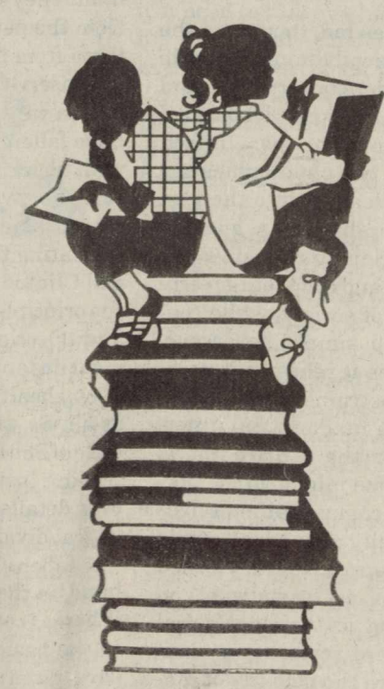

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# Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame

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## Hall of Fame festivities successful, seven added to distinguished list

Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame mem-rs Ernie Ladd and Rich Jackson got be-ed Father's Day gifts Saturday as they re inducted into the state's sports shrine.

Inducted along with Jackson and Ladd re Joe Ferguson, football star; Pam Kelly, sketball great; Fred Hobdy and John tobello, coaching legends; and Ralph upas, world boxing champion.

Bob Anderson and Bernell Ballard re-ived the Distinguished Service Award in orts Journalism.

Ferguson, one of the most prolific quar-rbacks in high school and pro football story, was introduced by his high school ach, A. L. Williams.

Ladd, a Grambling product who was an ll-Pro defensive tackle while playing for an Diego, Houston and Kansas City, was troduced by his son, Rodney.

Jackson, a New Orleans native and Southern University graduate, is regarded as one of the great defensive ends in pro history. His son, Rashad, made the presentation speech for the former Denver Bronco's All-Pro.



Ralph Dupas



Joe Ferguson



Ernie Ladd

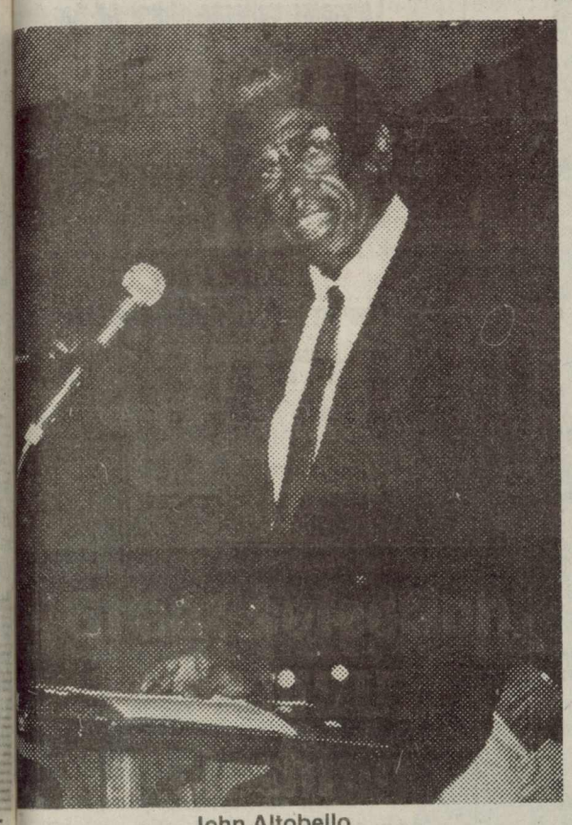
Altobello was introduced by his son-in-law, John Bordes, who played on Altobello's basketball and baseball teams. Altobello carved an incredible coaching record in 25 seasons at St. Aloysius and De La Salle high schools in New Orleans, winning 12 state championships and never posting a losing record.

Kelly was presented for induction by her coaches at Louisiana Tech, Leon Barmore and Sonja Hogg. Kelly, a Columbia native was a three-time All-American and won the 1982 Wade Trophy as the national Player of the Year. She is the fourth woman to win election to the Hall of Fame.

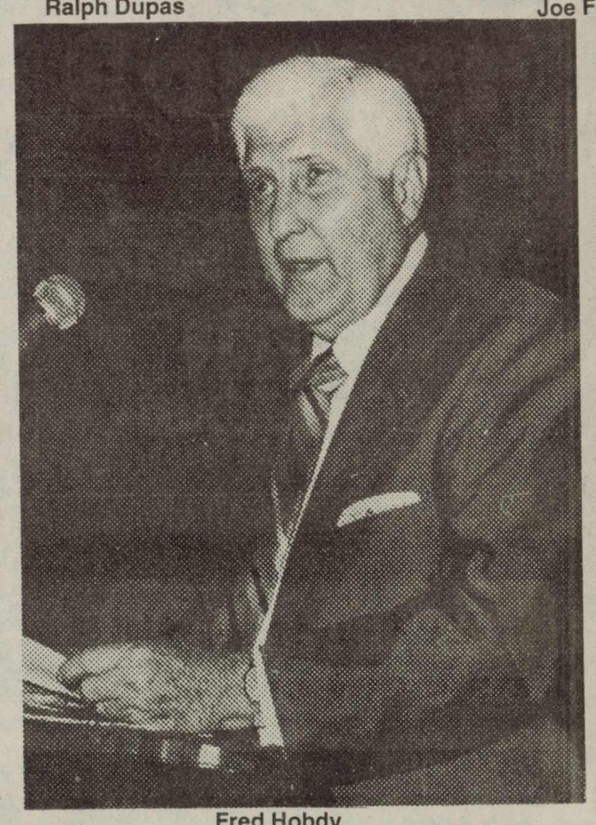
Dupas, a lifelong New Orleans resident, won the junior middleweight title in 1963. He was ranked No. 1 in five different weight classes during a remarkable 16-year pro boxing career. Award-winning New Orleans sportswriter Jimmy Smith made the presentation speech for Dupas.

Anderson is retiring as sports information director at Northeast Louisiana University after 33 years. He was introduced by former NLU athletic director and basketball coach Benny Hollis.

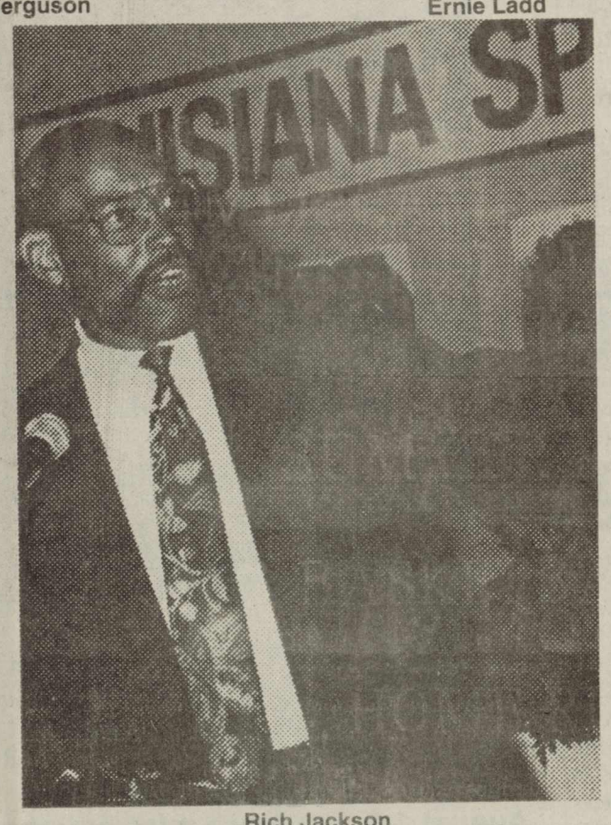
Ballard, a Baton Rouge sports writer for over four decades, was introduced by Sheldon Mickles, former president of the Louisiana Sports Writers Association.



John Altobello



Fred Hobdy




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Pam Kelly

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# Northwestern makes camp

## Camps focus on fundamentals

Heather Urena
*The Current Sauce*

Several individual departments have organized specialized summer camps to focus on kids of all different ages. But each department has the same themes: education and fun.

"We want the kids to have a good time, but we want to make sure they learn something," Mike Hawkins, outreach coordinator of the Space Science Group, said.

"Every one of our [sports] camps has a wide range of skills and abilities," Doug Ireland, director of Sports Information, said. "You don't have to be an excellent player to enjoy any of our camps."

The fees are used to cover all related costs and are determined by the individual departments.

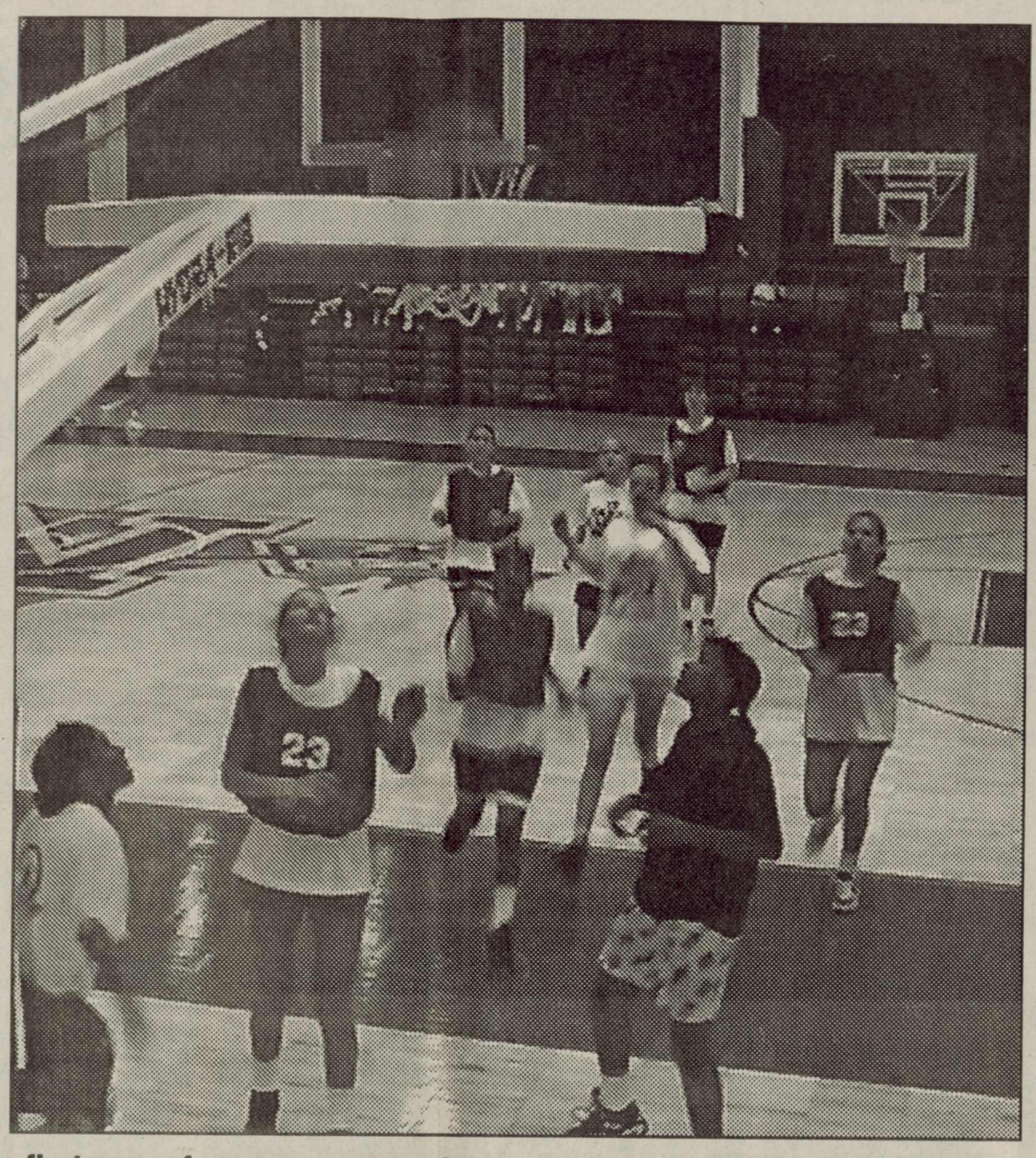
The **Lady Demon Basketball Camp** is in progress. Girls in grades 6-12 are given instruction on fundamentals and individual attention by James Smith, head coach, and the Lady Demon coaching staff—with help from area high school coaches. This camp ends June 30.

The annual **Demon Football Camp**, sponsored by Louisiana Sports Medicine Center at Cabrini and St. Frances Cabrini Hospital, is scheduled for July 10-13. The camp is open to players entering grades 7-12. Registration cost is $185 per person for resident campers and covers instruction, room, meals, insurance and a camp tee-shirt. Commuters register for $120 to pay for instruction, insurance, lunch and a tee-shirt. The Northwestern coaching staff and professional players will provide expert instruction in running, passing, punting, place kicking, blocking, tackling, strength building, agility and quickness—with adjustments for individual abilities. The deadline for registration is July 6. For more information, call 352-5252.

The **Demon and Lady Demon Track Camp** on July 10-14 is open to boys and girls who will be in grades 2-12 during the coming school year. Registration fees are $180 for residents and $150 for commuters. If five or more athletes attend from the same high school, a discounted rate of $160 per resident participant will be charged. The cost includes meals, insurance and tee-shirts. Instruction by Northwestern's coaching staff will cover training methods, nutritional education, biomechanical analysis, flexibility, strength training and psychological preparation. For more information, call 352-4290.

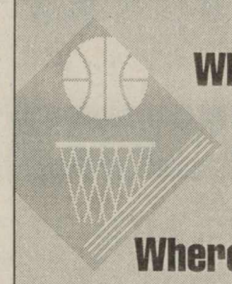
The **Demon Tennis Camp** will offer two sessions July 18-22 and July 25-29. The camps are open to girls and boys ages 7-17. Teaching will be adjusted to accommodate skill levels. For registration or more information, call 357-5251.

Two successful camps have already been completed by the men's basketball department. **Biddy Ball Camp** is set for Aug. 1-5 and is open to kids ages 6-13. The cost is $50. During the August camp, first-fourth graders are scheduled 9-11:30 a.m., and the fifth-seventh graders will attend 1-3:30 p.m. each day. A special discount of $5 is being offered to any child of a Northwestern employee. For more information, call 352-5891.



**The first year of camps sponsored by men's basketball is getting a good response. Two camps have been completed and Biddy Ball camp is set for August 1-5. For more information, call 352-5891.**

### More Camps:



**What: Biddy Ball camp**

**When: August 1-5**

**Where: Prather Coliseum**

# NSU selects new coach

## Van Horn to continue Wells legacy

Dave Van Horn, who guided Central Missouri State to the NCAA Division II National Championship this season, is the new baseball coach at Northwestern State, Tynes Hildebrand, director of athletics, announced Thursday.

Van Horn, 33, replaces Jim Wells, who left after five years as coach of the Demons to take over the same duties at the University of Alabama.

In six years as a collegiate head coach, including five at Texarkana (Junior) College, Van Horn had a 263-83 (.760) record. This year, he took a team picked to finish second in its conference and won the national championship with a 51-11 record.

The new Demon baseball coach will be formally awarded the NCAA Division II "Coach of the Year" award in January by the American Baseball Coaches Association. He has also been named the ABCA's Division II NCAA Central Region "Coach of the Year."

Van Horn, who also spent four seasons as an assistant coach at the University of Arkansas, was chosen from a field of more than 40 applicants, Hildebrand said. During Van Horn's tenure at Arkansas under Coach Norm DeBriyn, the Razorbacks made two trips to the College World Series (1985, 1987).

"We knew when we started the search for our new head coach that we wanted a proven winner and I think that is exactly what we get in Dave," Hildebrand said. "He has been successful at the Division I level as a player and assistant coach and at the junior college and Division II levels as a head coach.

"We had some outstanding candidates, some people who are already successful as head coaches and others who are assistants who will be excellent head coaches given the opportunity," Hildebrand said. "Dave really impressed our Athletic Council during his visit here and I know he'll hit the ground running."

Van Horn takes over a Demon program that recently finished the best season in school history. Northwestern won its second consecutive Southland Conference championship and made its second appearance in an NCAA Tournament, posting a 45-15 record. The Demons have won three SLC titles in the past four years.

"I am looking forward to taking over the Northwestern baseball program and building on the already strong foundation that I am inheriting," Van Horn said. "Coach Wells and [former assistant] Mitch Gaspard did a great job of bringing the program national respectability. I want to continue that and hopefully take it to the next level."

After spending four years as an assistant coach at Arkansas (1985-88), Van Horn took over as head coach at Texarkana (Texas) College where he posted a 212-72 (.719) record from 1989-93.

While Van Horn coached at Arkansas, the Razorbacks compiled a 184-72 (.719) record from 1985-88.

In his first four seasons at Texarkana, the Bulldogs set school records each year for wins in a season. His 1989 team posted a 39-18 record on its way to a third-place Texas Eastern Conference finish, the lowest finish in his five years at Texarkana.

While also serving as the school's athletic director, Van Horn guided Texarkana to a 44-14 record in 1990 and topped that with a 45-12 mark a year later to place second in the conference both years.

Van Horn then guided the Bulldogs to another school record finish and a conference championship in 1992 with a 48-10 record. For his efforts, he was voted Texas Eastern Conference "Coach of the Year."

After finishing his career at Texarkana with a 36-18 record in 1993, Van Horn was named head coach at Central Missouri State in Warrenburg, Mo., last fall.

The Mules cruised to a Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletic Association Conference championship and advanced to the NCAA Division II Central Regional tournament and captured that championship.

From there CMSU advanced to Montgomery, Ala., for the Division II Baseball Championship Series. The Mules won their first two games, 9-6 over California-Riverside and 8-7 over Armstrong State, before losing 10-3 to Delta State. CMSU bounced back to defeat Delta State 8-2 to advance to the championship game. Tied 8-8 with top-ranked and top-seeded Florida Southern in the top of the ninth, Van Horn's Mules exploded for six runs and went on to a 14-9 victory for the national title.

Prior to getting into the coaching profession, Van Horn was standout player in college and played professionally for three years. After being drafted following his junior year at the University of Arkansas, he spent three seasons in the Atlanta Braves organization as a 10th-round draft pick in the 1982 draft.

# Sports Briefs

**Carter jumps to career best:** Shreveport's LeMark Carter, the former Northwestern State All-American, moved among the country's elite triple jumpers with a fourth place finish at the USA Outdoor Track and Field Championships this month.

Carter jumped a lifetime best, 55-7, the same distance as third-place finisher Reggie Jones. But Jones, a former LSU All-American, had a better second-best mark and took third.

Carter was second at this year's USA Indoor Championships. He competes for Nike South and serves as a volunteer assistant coach for the Northwestern team.

**Lancelin collects third All-America honor:** Northwestern State senior Eric Lancelin collected his third All-America honor by finishing seventh in the triple jump at the NCAA Outdoor Track and Field Championships.

Lancelin lept 53-9 3/4 on his first attempt in the prelims and didn't better the mark. It was the fourth-best of his career.

**Martin wins Outstanding Field Performer:** Northwestern State senior Ryan Martin won the Outstanding Field Performer award for last month's Southland Conference Outdoor Track and Field Championships, the league announced Wednesday.

Conference coaches voted for the award. Martin was the only double winner in the field event competition, taking the shot put (53-11 1/2) and discus (172-4) titles by wide margins.

**Northwestern signs two for women's track:** Multi-event standout Mariah Grant of New Orleans-Warren Easton and Texas sprinter/jumper Stacy Gay have signed with Northwestern State women's track and field program.

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Martin was fired over the cident.

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# Nursing degrees now available at Fort Polk

JANE BALDWIN
*The Current Sauce*

Nursing students now have the option of completing a nursing degree at Fort Polk instead of traveling to Shreveport, now that the University offers an associate and bachelor's degree in nursing at Northwestern's Fort Polk Center.

The new nursing program at Fort Polk received an overwhelming response. Over 450 interested students attended the informational meeting on June 28 for the new degree in nursing to be offered in the fall. So far, 86 people have shown interest in the BSN.

Previously, Northwestern only offered nursing at its campus in Shreveport or in Alexandria, but with increased interest in Vernon, Beauregard and Sabine parishes, Northwestern began looking into the possibility of beginning a nursing program in Leesville.

Dr. Ray Baumgardner, former dean and provost of Northwestern's Fort Polk Center, and Dr. Arlene Airhart, director of Northwestern's Division of Nursing, conducted a survey last spring in the Leesville, Fort Polk and DeRidder area to determine whether enough interest existed in the nursing program to implement it into the Fort Polk Center.

"This is a program that Vernon, Beauregard and Sabine Parishes have needed for a long time," Baumgardner said. "Surveys have indicated that there is a demand for this program."

Northwestern's BSN & ADN programs in nursing have been approved by the Louisiana State Board of Nursing and are accredited by the National League for Nursing.

"Many came through here [Northwestern's Fort Polk Center] and expressed strong interest in the program," Craig Owens, new dean and provost of the Northwestern's Fort Polk Center, said. "We visited area hospitals and they agreed to participate."

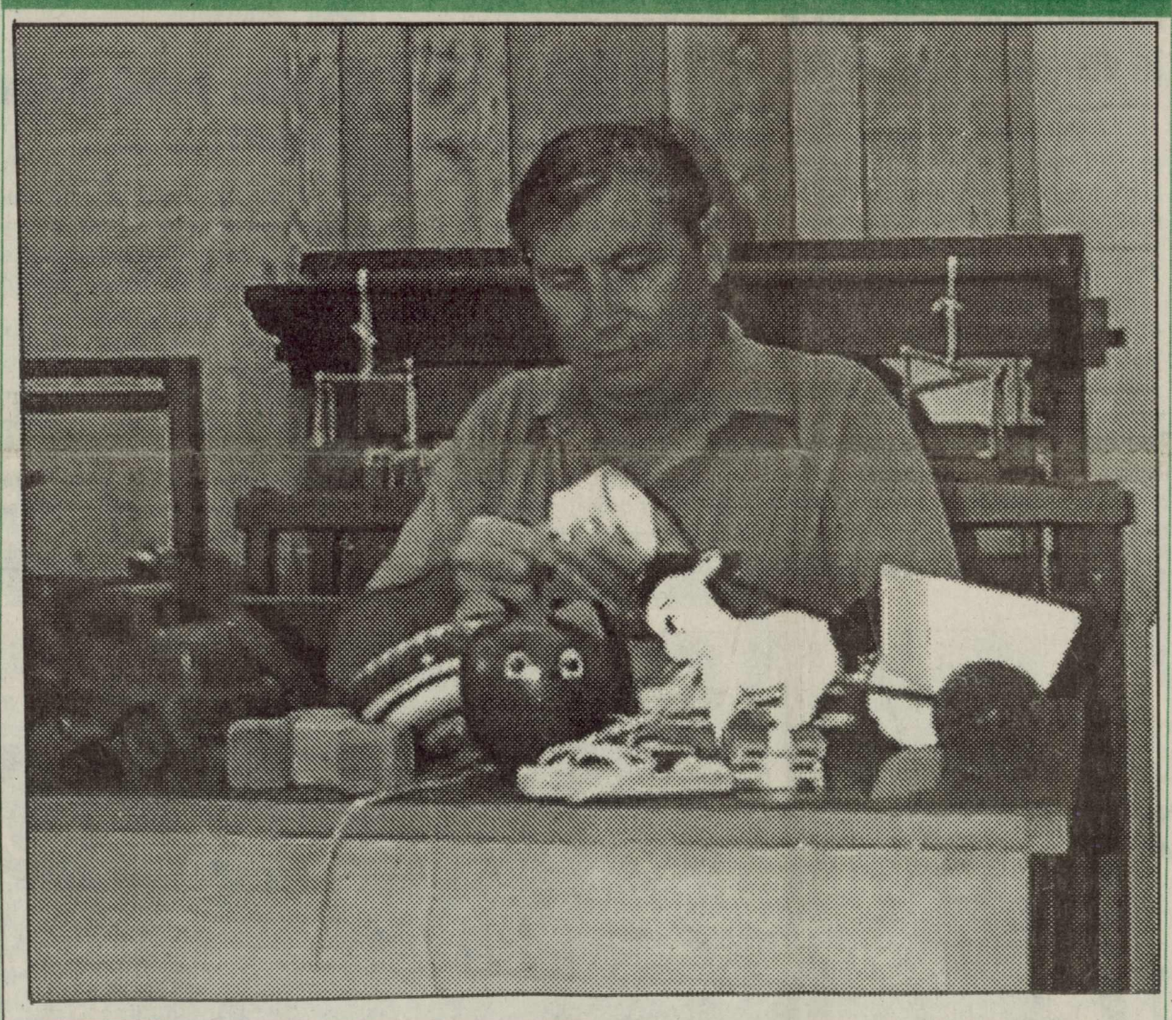
The Fort Polk program will allow nursing students to take academic courses and undergo clinical training close to home. Before, many students from central Louisiana had to go as far as Shreveport to take clinical training.

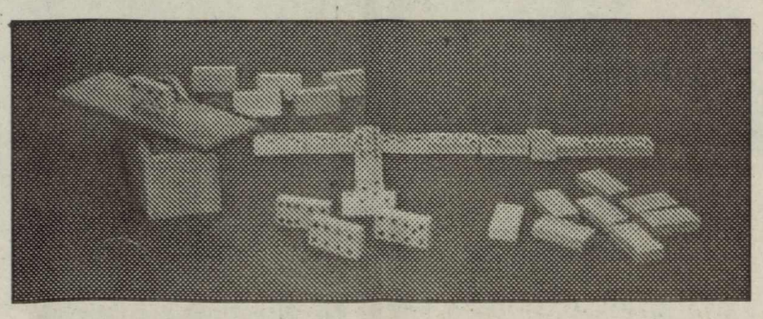
Clinical training will be offered locally beginning in spring through the joint program with Bayne Jones Army Community Hospital, Byrd Regional Hospital and Beauregard Memorial Hospital.

Baumgardner said many students in Northwestern's nursing

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## Toys and Games





**Above, Donald Hatley, Folklife Center director, plays with a "Wumpus Cat" amid a collection of folk and old toys. Pictured right is a wooden domino set, hand carved by Leo Royston, one of the 1994 Folk Festival craftspeople.**

# Folk Festival begins Friday

MADELYN BOUDREAUX
*The Current Sauce*

The 1994 Natchitoches-NSU Folk Festival is coming up this weekend.

The Festival is in its 15th year, and has been selected by the Southeast Tourism Society as one of the "Top 20 Events" in the Southeast for July, 1994.

This year's theme is "Louisiana Toys and Games: The Makers and The Players." Many special activities have been planned to celebrate the traditions of play in Louisiana, including special exhibits, demonstrations and crafts. The Festival will also feature some of its most popular activities from the past.

The Festival will kick off on Friday afternoon with the Gumbo Cookoff and Concert. Doors open to the public at 4 p.m., and the public gumbo tasting begins at 6p.m.; winners will be announced at 8 p.m.

Cooks will compete in two gumbo categories: seafood and poultry plus; a showmanship prize will also be awarded to the group that shows the most spirit throughout the competition.

Hardrick River and the Rivers Review will launch the Gumbo Concert, followed by Ruble Wright and the Wrightbeats; Hadley Castille's Cajun Band will begin their set at 9 p.m. Internationally-known Cajun dance teachers Rand and Cynthia Speyrer will give free Cajun Dance lessons at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday nigh's concert will feature zydeco by Lawrence Ardoin and country music from Peggy Foreman. Headlining the Saturday concert are Johnny Allan, the "King of Swamp Pop" and Sonny Bourg, whose music combines Cajun, 1950s rock-n-roll, and R&B. The day programs will also feature jazz, Dixieland, blues, Gospel, and bluegrass.

Crafts are always an important part of the Festival. This year, many toy and doll makers will be featured, but other traditional crafts will be included, too. Native American crafts will include beadwork, ribbon shirts, jewelry, pinestraw baskets, cane baskets, and painted gourds. Other crafts will include hide chairs, chair caning, decorated gourds, walking sticks, duck decoys and carved birds, arrowheads, fish nets, lace tatting, pottery and basketry.

Festival visitors are encouraged to bring any old toys to the festival, where classic toy expert Barry Owen will be performing evaluations and appraisals. A video camera and other recording equipment will be set up for documenting the toys, as well as games, dances and songs.

The Kid Fest, a special area just for children, will be moved inside the Coliseum this year, and will include activities such as alligator petting, magic shows, storytelling and face painting.

Don't miss the fun at the Natchitoches-NSU Folk Festival, July 15, 16 and 17 in air-conditioned Prather Coliseum on the campus of Northwestern State University in Natchitoches. The Coliseum is wheelchair accessible, and ample parking is located nearby. For more information contact the Folklife Center at 357-4332.

# LSMSA searches for new director

The board of directors at the Lousiana School for Math Science and the Arts is looking for a successor to Dr. Art Williams, the director of the Louisiana School for Math, Science and the Arts, since 1990.

According to Williams, his desire to return to the classroom was the reason for his planned move.

"The tenure of a director at the Louisiana School has been only three or four years, and, having served in that capacity for four years now, I agree that is about the right amount of time," Williams said.

Dr. Robert Alost, the school's first director, served from 1982 through 1985 and became president of Northwestern. Dr. Dick Brown was director from 1986 until 1990 when he returned to the classroom as a full-time history instructor at the Louisiana School.

The Williams administration faced some lean budget years and even the threat of closure of the school. "When the state threatened to close the school in 1992, we called on the parents of our alumni and the students to become involved really for the first time in the school's history," he said. "It was because of their efforts and the support of our alumni and friends that we are open today and facing a better future than we might have expected a few years ago."

In 1992, the legislature restored the school's budget, provided an increase, and passed a law which will provide for formula funding for the school in the future. The goal of the formula law is to fund the school at the same per-student level as similar schools elsewhere in the nation.

The board of directors of the Louisiana School recognized Williams' efforts and passed a resolution recently recognizing and congratulating him for his years of service to the school.

# Program offers summer schooling

BRIDGETTE MORVANT
*The Current Sauce*

Summer is a time when most youngsters forget about books and classes, but 331 talented students from all over the country are embracing summer studies at the 1994 Advance Program For Young Scholars at Northwestern State University.

Based on a similar program first developed at Duke University by Dr. Robert Sawyer, former Advance and Louisiana Scholars' College director at Northwestern, the three-week academic program is designed for students who achieve high scores on the ACT or SAT tests. Eligible students must be rising eighth graders or aged 12 through 17.

Students who have achieved an ACT math score of 18 and an ACT English score of 24 or SAT math score of 500 and SAT verbal score of 430 are eligible for the program. According to Martha Talbert, director of Advance Program For Young Scholars, as students advance each year the required ACT scores rise one point and the required SAT scores rise 50 points.

*"The main goal of the program is to make learning fun for the students. Another goal is to challenge students."*

Students may also join the program through alternate admission since not all students have the opportunity to take the ACT or SAT and some bright students simply do not perform well on standardized tests, according to Talbert. The alternate admission requirements include a letter of recommendation from a Gifted and Talented teacher and documentation of high achievement.

Students choose one of 28 different courses at the program. The classes include five courses in pre calculus and three courses in composition. Other courses include computer science, astrophysics, chemistry, creative writing, etymology, French I, physics, Southern literature, robotics, biology and Latin.

Two of the classes, logic and argumentation & debate, may be taken for college credit. Because each course features a state-approved final examination, students may earn credit if their individual schools decide to award it.

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## Department of Creative and Performing Arts receives scholarship funding

The Board of Trustees for State Colleges and Universities has agreed to change the name of Northwestern's Department of Creative and Performing Arts to the Mrs. H. D. Dear Sr. and Alice E. Dear Department of Creative and Performing Arts. Alice Dear of Alexandria has agreed to establish an endowment to provide scholarships for students in the department.

The Dear family lived in Vernon and Rapides parishes. They came to Vernon Parish with the Gulf Lumber Company and settled in Fullerton. Alice Dear is a graduate of Leesville High School. Mrs. H. D. Dear Sr., a Georgia native, was a prominent music teacher in Alexandria and Leesville for many years. She was a graduate of the Meridian Conservatory of Music and studied at the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music. Her students won numerous statewide piano competitions, often against more experienced players.

"We are excited at the opportunities that this generous donation will provide for our students," Bill Brent, head of the Mrs. H. D. Dear Sr. and Alice E. Dear Department of Creative and Performing Arts and director of bands, said. "This donation speaks to the quality of our music program. We are grateful to Miss Dear for a donation that will be helpful to many students in future years."

## Department of social sciences receives grant

Northwestern's department of social sciences has received a grant of $154,949 from the State Office of Community Services.

Part of the grant under Title IV-E will be used to set up a partnership with Northwestern's social work program to implement an undergraduate social work certificate program in child welfare.

Another portion of the grant will be used to provide a stipend for senior social work majors to receive field instruction. These students will work within the agency under the supervision of a social worker, according to Malcolm Braudaway, coordinator of Northwestern's social work program. The grant's principal investigator is Claudia Triche, the social work program's director of field instruction.

"This is a beneficial program for the Office of Community Services and for our students," Braudaway said. "Students have the opportunity to develop expertise in child welfare. The OCS is interested in finding persons with a social work degree who are interested in child welfare."

The Office of Community Services is housed under the State Department of Social Services. The OCS is the state's child welfare agency, providing child protective services, family services, foster care, adoption and home development to assess and certify foster and adoptive parents.

Students who accept the stipend will attend classes two days a week and work with the OCS two days a week. They will also agree to work for the OCS for one year after graduation.

## Alumni to begin self-study of Northwestern

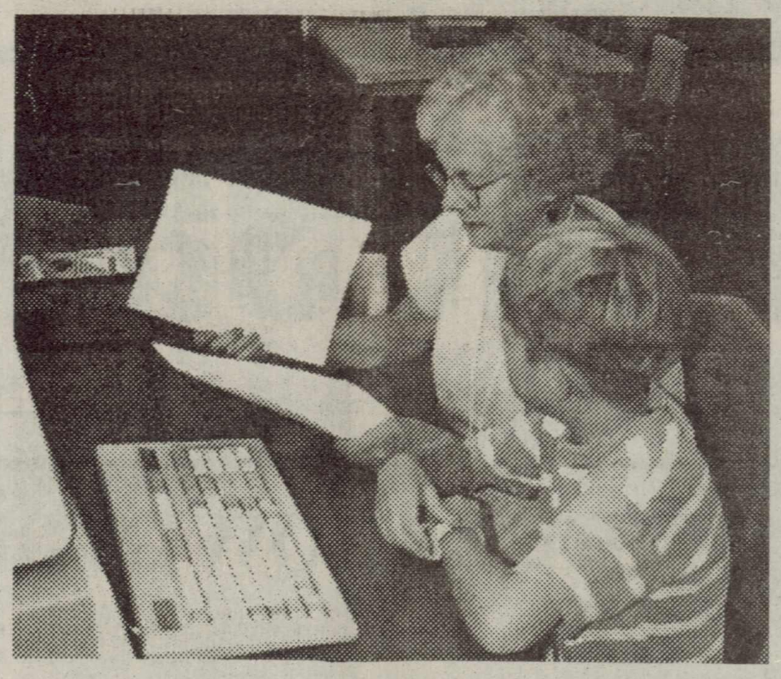
Northwestern State University is seeking input from its alumni and supporters to help the university evaluate itself. Northwestern is beginning a self-study of the University as part of the reaccreditation process required by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. The University must go through reaccreditation every 10 years.

Over the next year, the University will evaluate every aspect of its operations and suggest methods of improvement.

Eighteen committees have been formed to put together the self-study. At the start of the process, a committee will examine Northwestern's mission statement which sets out the university's goals and objectives.

"The mission statement tells everyone what the university is about," said Dr. Stan Chadick, professor of mathematics, who is chairing the Institutional Purpose Committee who will write the mission statement.

"The work of the other committees must match the mission statement."



**California natives Carolyn Myers and Martin Emlein participate in Camp Discovery activities. Carolyn's visit was made possible through the Elderhostel program. Camp Discovery runs through Saturday.**

## Natchitoches man slain in domestic dispute

A Natchitoches man was apparently shot and killed by his common-law wife over the Fourth of July weekend, according to a July 6 story in the *Alexandria Daily Town Talk*.

Police said Roosevelt Jackson, 42, was shot in his home in Payne Subdivision near the Natchitoches city limits by Gussie M. Moody around 6:30 p.m., July 1.

Jackson was shot once in the upper chest with a .22 caliber rifle and died at the scene, according to police.

## Police Jury takes over investigation

The Natchitoches Parish Police Jury must now handle the investigation of the parish's compliance with the Parish Transportation Act.

Tim Pulley, president of the police jury, released a letter saying public accountant Mark Thomas will state anything in violation with the Act in the Jury's annual audit.

The Jury called Dan Kyle, the state legislative auditor, to look into some questionable practices of the Highway and Steering Committee for the past 2 1/2 years but found nothing that violated the Transportation Act.

The investigation began after the resignation of former supervisor of the Highway and Steering Committee, Charles Weaver, on June 15.

## Students learn away from class

A Penn State study of college students indicates undergraduates' experiences outside the classroom can positively influence their academic learning.

Students who interacted with faculty outside of class, read non-assigned books or were involved in extracurricular activities such as art, theater or music placed a higher value on learning for its own sake, the study revealed.

"Our pilot study supports the long theorized notion that students learn holistically — through both formal classroom experiences and their experiences outside the classroom," said Dr. Patrick T. Terenzini, professor of higher education and associate director of the National Center on Postsecondary Teaching, Learning and Assessment (NCPTLA).

"As far as we know, ours is the first statistical evidence recorded concerning this popular belief."

The research focused on 210 new students at the University of Illinois at Chicago.

Measurements were taken of the students' academic-related attitudes, values and activities during their first semester and again at the end of their freshman year.

Students' interest in academic learning was influenced positively by their participation in class, involvement in class projects and studying.

The study was part of a pilot project of NCPTLA's National Study of Student Learning, which is now following approximately 4,000 students at 26 two and four year institutions.

## Students invent 'green' crayons

Three Purdue University students looking for new uses for soybeans have invented crayons that are as Earth-friendly as they are kid-friendly.

As part of a university-wide competition sponsored by the Purdue Department of Agronomy and the Indiana Soybean Development Council, the winning students were awarded $5,000 for their invention, which they have dubbed "Earth Colors."

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# NSU one stop along information superhighway

## *Students and faculty find valuable learning materials through campus link to Internet*


Madelyn Boudreaux and Lisa Holt
*The Current Sauce*


Imagine if you could sit at your desk here in Natchitoches and, in a couple of hours, find a good job lead in Seattle, read a chapter from your favorite book, write a letter home, research a paper topic for your history class, play a wild adventure game, and chat with five friends who are scattered from New Orleans to New Zealand.

In fact, you can do all of these things through the technology commonly called "the information superhighway," or the Internet. The Internet is a worldwide network of computers connected by telephone lines, and can be used to electronically exchange information, from news to entertainment to software.

Northwestern students have access to all this via the campus computer system, a VAX- VMS system. According to Stan Hippler, director of the computer center and a user-support specialist in the computer center, students must request an account by filling out a request form, which serves as a contract between the user and the University computer center. A few days after a student fills out the card, his or her account is ready.

Some universities charge students, or limit the amount of time they may use the service. Commercial providers, including America Online, Prodigy and Delphi, charge monthly fees and sometimes also charge fees by the hour. A typical commercial user might have fees of more than $100 a month. By contrast, Northwestern pays an access fee, which allows students to use the service at no cost.

Students connect to the system using communications software that controls a modem. Modems use a telephone line, and dial the server (NSU's main computer, in this case); once connected, the student is free to explore libraries, data-bases, universities and governmental organizations. Students can use computers in Morrison Hall to access the service; many of the more active users have computers and modems which allow them to connect from their dorm rooms or apartments.

World-wide electronic mail, generally called e-mail, is a very popular service. E-Mail is cheaper than a phone call, and arrives at its destination in about 10 seconds. Because it is so fast, it makes an excellent tool for buddies attending different colleges to communicate cheaply and effectively. Real-time chat services allow two people to carry on conversations by typing on their keyboards. Rumors of online romance abound, and more than one happy marriage between 'Net pals has occurred.



**To sign up for a VAX account, students need to fill out a form in the Computer Center in room 202 of Roy Hall. Accounts can be accessed 2-3 days later.**

The comparison to the highway system is useful for understanding the Internet. Anyone with a car can travel to any point in the United States on such roads — and anything is available, if you know what road to take (luckily, atlases are available). No most important road exists, and, while different rules apply to each, drivers are expected to follow those rules.

Likewise, anyone with a computer, modem and account, can travel around the world on the Internet, and if you know where to look, you can probably find what you're looking for (luckily, guide books are available). No one governs the Internet, but certain rules exist, and its Neighborhood Watch system is very strong.

Woe to the fool who advertises online (a no-no because it is intended for educational non-commercial purposes) or flames a net-deity (flaming is writing an insulting and aggressive letter; net-deities are people who have been around for a long time and know a lot). Different areas of the Internet have different rules; acceptable behavior in the Usenet areas (which are generally highly social areas much like office bulletin boards, where people interested in a given subject post information regarding that subject) may be totally unacceptable in the more academic Listservs (electronic mailing lists each devoted to a specific subject).

Between 100 and 200 students currently use NSU's VAX connection. One drawback is that there is a limited number of lines available for use. Students sometimes have to wait until lines become clear to "login." It is especially difficult during regular business hours, because the system is also used for administrative purposes. Evening and nighttime hours are better for student use; with fewer users online, commands take less time and more services are available.

# *Damn Yankees*

## Northwestern production steals hearts of audience


Bridgette Morvant
*The Current Sauce*


If you like musicals, you'll love *Damn Yankees*. With "a little brains" and "a little talent" the cast of this Northwestern theater group captivates its audience with a whimsical comedy of baseball, dreams, romance — and the devil.

Based on the novel *The Year the Yankees Lost the Pennant* by Douglass Wallop, *Damn Yankees* is the latest offering of Northwestern State University's Summer Dinner Theater. With an ensemble cast of Northwestern students and faculty and Natchitoches residents, *Damn Yankees* is a production with a lot of heart.

The plot follows Joe Boyd (Dale Higginbotham), an avid Washington Senators baseball fan, who makes a deal with Mr. Applegate, a.k.a. Satan (Terry Byars) to become a young talented baseball player and lead the Senators in victory against the "Damn Yankees." With his new identity, Joe "Hardy" (Walter Allen, II) must give up his wife and his past. When he starts having second thoughts about the deal, Applegate sends in the temptress, Lola (Leah Coleman), and scandals to divert him. The plot thickens as Joe tries to save the pennant, his marriage and his soul.

Audiences should definitely not come to *Damn Yankees* for a realistic plot or serious baseball lore. Rather, the production blends elements of the national pasttime with a fantastical storyline and some outrageous characters.

The baseball players, themselves, and the opening number, "Six Months out of Every Year," do add lots of laughs about the cliches of the sport and the people who love and play it.

As funny as the players are, however, Lola and Mr. Applegate simply steal the show. Applegate's dry wit and passing hints to impending evil and doom make him an irresistible villain. Lola's seductive song and dance numbers — which must have been quite *risque* when the musical was first performed in the early 1950s — dazzled the audience. Despite all their evil intentions, however, the devil and his vixen come off as entertaining and endearing as members of the Addams family.

Other notable performances include Leigh Anne Bramlett as Gloria Thorpe, the intrepid sports reporter and Cala Raborn as Joe's wife Meg Boyd, whose lovely voice was a quite a treat.

Of course praise should go to Dr. Jack Wann, director; Kelli McNally, guest choreographer, Leigh Anne Bramlett and Chris Waggoner, costume coordinators and Michael and Joann Yankowski, set designers and scenic painters. The song and dance numbers were excellent and the costumes and set were very authentic to the 1950s.

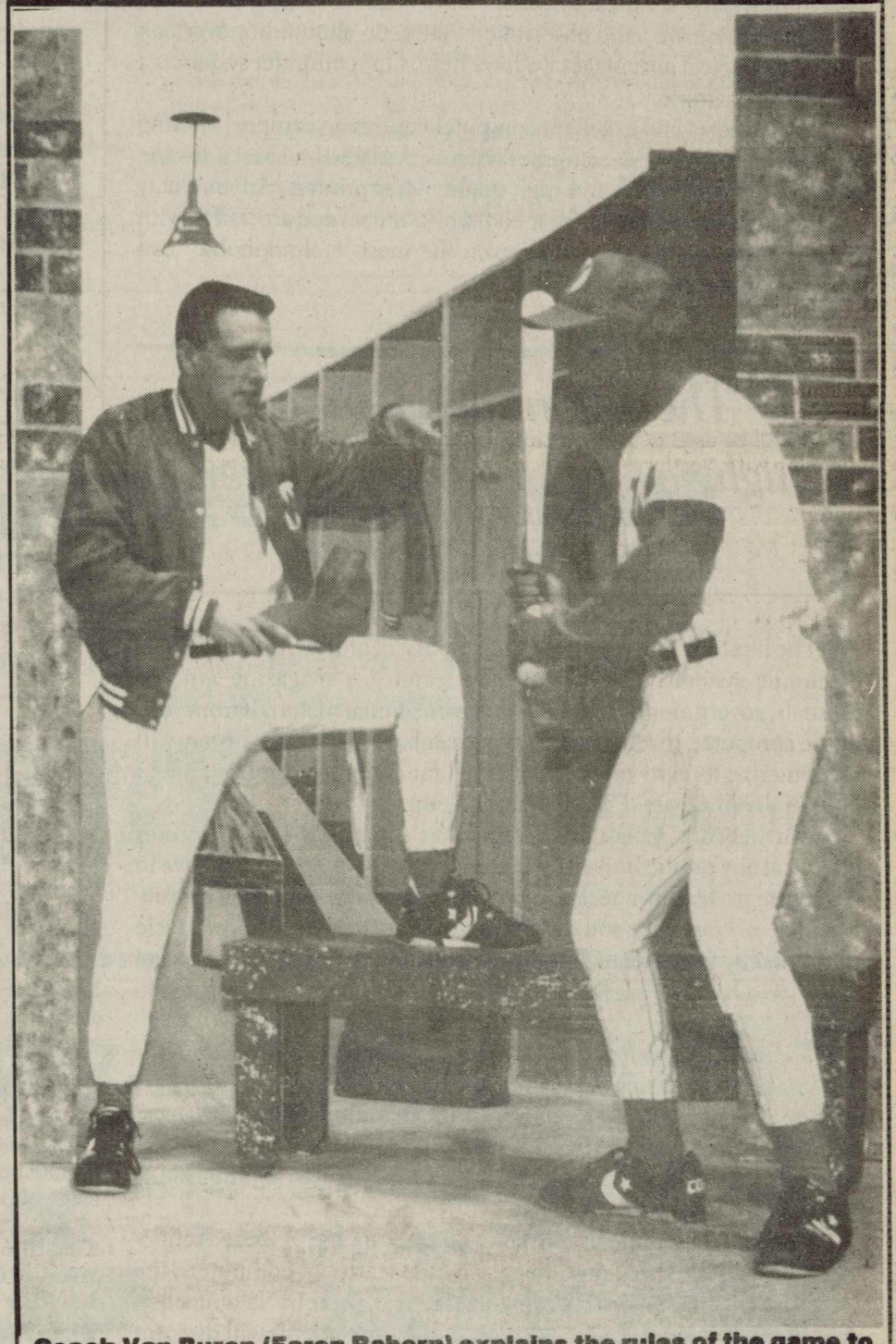
Those interested can still attend *Damn Yankees* Thursdays through Sundays until July 24. A buffet-style dinner is served around the stage beginning at 6:45 p.m. Preshow entertainment is provided by The BiVocals Barbershop Quartet: Dale Higginbotham, Al Villavaso, Bill Bryant and Bob Burkhead. Tickets for dinner and the show are $14.95. Tickets are also available for those who want to view the performance without dinner.

**REVIEW**



**Meg Boyd (Cala Raborn) fights to keep her husband from the clutches of the sensuous Lola (Leah Coleman), the devil's vixen**

**'You Gotta Have Heart'**



**Coach Van Buren (Faron Raborn) explains the rules of the game to Linville (Hank Cannon).**

# Northwestern honors U. S. Army veteran with degree


Monica Pettiette
*The Current Sauce*


The fourth of July has come and gone, but we must not forget what the holiday means. The day is a time to honor and remember those who have stood up for and continue to represent our country's independence.

Northwestern has recently done just that. During the commencement exercises May 13, Northwestern awarded an honorary doctorate of humanities to General Jude Patin, Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development secretary.

Before his 30-year career in the U.S. Army, Patin graduated from Southern University in Baton Rouge with a degree in architectural engineering. Patin was then commissioned as a second lieutenant into the U.S. Army. While in the military, he served in Korea, Vietnam, Thailand, West Germany and at posts throughout the United States.

Patin earned several awards in the military including three Legion of Merit Medals, the Bronze Star medal, three Meritorious Service Medals, the Air Medal, two Army Commendation Medals, the National Defense Service Medals, the Vietnam Service Medal, the Army Service Medal, the Overseas Service Ribbon, the Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal, the Meritorious Unit Citation, the Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross Unit Citation, the Republic of Vietnam Civil Actions Citation Unit and the Parachutist Badge.

President Ronald Reagan promoted Patin to brigadier general in 1988. "Promotion to brigadier general in itself is something that I am proud of, and those who share this distinction feel the same way," Patin said. "The military gave me the opportunity to develop my potential in an environment of practical experience and academic training. I owe thanks to the military for having shaped in this way the person I have become today."

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After retiring from the military in March 1992, Patin became the secretary of the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development.

As DOTD secretary, Patin directs a transportation and civil works staff of over 5,600 employees, with an annual budget of $830 million. His responsibilities include both state-wide transportation and public works planning and execution. Patin also oversees $1.2 billion in construction projects.

Patin's recognition comes from outside the military as well. He is a Registered Professional Engineer in Wisconsin, he graduated from the Senior Executive Managers Program at the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard, in 1991 he was recognized as the "Black Engineer of the Year" in the category of Professional Achievement, and he is listed in *Who's Who in Government Services*. Patin also published articles in *The Military Engineer* on "Management of the Great Lakes" and "The Environmental Program."

When asked how his military experience molded the way he operates in his current position, Patin responded, "I've had about four different types of organizations the same size as this. Just before I came here, I had 13 states in the north central region of the country. I had 95 congressional districts and 6,000 employees. I was responsible for the flood control and the military water resource development projects for that region.

I wore a military uniform because I was on active duty in the Army, but the majority of the people were federal civilians, engineers and scientists and the like. Two years before that, I had a brigade of all soldiers in Europe. I've had assignments with all soldiers, all civilians and a combination of both. I'm very comfortable in the fact that I operate with a tremendous amount of confidence in understanding the mechanics of this type of organization."

"Northwestern is awarding the honorary doctorate to General Patin to honor him for his many years of outstanding public service in the military and to the state of Louisiana as head of the Department of Transportation and Development," Dr. Robert Alost, Northwestern president, said.

"I was pleasantly surprised by such an honor," Patin said. "It was my first. I thoroughly enjoy the academic environment. My 30-year military career provided a professional development program which mixed practical experience with academic training.

"This program is challenging to anyone's academic skills. I am happy with and proud of the honorary doctorate I received."

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# Hot new music for summertime blues

## *Rob Rule mixes Southern Rock and Grunge; Reverend Horton Heat prays for their souls*

*LOONEY TUNES*

**RICKY DARBONNE**



Ahh! There is nothing like summer in the South, except a sauna. The sounds of twangy guitars draw Northerners like seductive Mississippi Sirens. Well, it seems some of that Southern twang happened to drift up-river a little. While the South still has a stranglehold on the Southern rock market new acts pop up in the strangest places.

This week s features include two budding Southern rock rockers: **Rob Rule** and **The Reverend Horton Heat**. While Rob Rule hails from both the East and West coasts they claim that some of their strongest influences are two fairly obscure bands: The Rolling Stones and Bad Company. (Hey I understand Pearl Jam was heavily influenced by Elvis!)

If you are expecting a ZZ Top Southern rock sound from this band forget it. David King and Robbie Allen provide some fairly interesting but overproduced guitar solos. As always, there are some surprises like the mandolin work on *Only Thing* and the funky Free for *The Moment*. The songs in between are mostly boring grunge-ballads. Yes, it seems our Southern rock stars are actually undercover lovers of grunge.

This is not the first nor will it be the last time seemingly innocent bands attempt such a ruse! How long must we be plagued by youths in ripped jeans and flannel? Who are these strange visitors who assault delicate ears with crunchy guitars and vacuous lyrics? Why the demons of grunge of course, and they will not be happy until the entire teenage population is a mass of unshaven, stringy-haired rogues!

But, I digress. Next on the list is a band out of Austin, Texas,: his holiness, The Reverend Horton Heat. The latest sermon from the Reverend, *Liquor in the Front*, offers sundry tales of spirits and the spreading of good-will. Rest assured this album is endorsed by Mr. Fallwell and Tipper, so its okay for the kids!

If these guys are not credible enough, Al Jourgensen (alias Allen, Allian, Alien) produced the album. Yes that is right the front guy from Ministry (you know, the heavy metal band). The influence is obvious in *Yeah Right* with vocals distorted in classic Ministry/Nine Inch Nails fashion. In fact the entire album is anything but typical. This is one band whose punk influences die hard. While the Reverend s sound is driven by blues-rock guitar and walking bass lines, the vocals sound as if they were conjured from Hell. Reverend Horton Heat is the 90s answer to the Stray Cats and Charlie Daniels. Choice tracks include, *Jezebel, BigSky* and *Rockin Dog*.

You can check out the Reverend in New Orleans on July 25 with special guests Soundgarden.

Reverend Horton Heat s *Liquor in the Front* is available from Sub Pop and Rob Rule s self title album is available from Mercury and can be heard on **KNWD 91.7 FM**, here in Natchitoches. But you may have some problems finding these bands at any local music stores (all two of them). You may have noticed that the local video store on Keyser Avenue no longer carries music. This, as we all know, was the best outlet for college music in town. It may be wise for interested parties to express a desire for this music to return.

Here are some new releases that may have not hit the Natchitoches market: **the Lemonheads,** *It s about time*; **Beck,** *One Foot In The Grave*; **John Mellencamp,** *Dance Naked*; **Leonard Cohen,** *Cohen Live;* **Lush,** *Split*; **the Popinjays,** *Tales From the Urban Prarie*; **Erasure,** *Run To The Su;* **the Rolling Stones,** *Voodoo Lounge* **and Soundgarden,** *Foreshocks*. Any questions or requests? Call KNWD at 357-5693.

# CYBER SCHOOL

## *NSU is more than just a speedbump on the Info Superhighway*

A common complaint about Northwestern is that it is "behind the times." Socializers comment that, while other comparable universities have co-ed dorms, they have to check out by 11p.m. on school nights. The academically-minded point out that other schools in the state have research libraries, but Watson Library still subscribes to *Seventeen Magazine* instead of scholastic journals pertaining to our graduate programs. Nearly everyone has noticed that the heating and cooling system in Kyser is a little... unusual.

While these are valid observations, students should not overlook the technological advantages we have here. Our computer system is a wonderful example.

There are several excellent computer centers on campus, offering both PC and Macintosh computer systems, the latest and best software, networking capabilities and high quality laser printers. Anyone may use these computer centers for school work, and several are staffed with trained computer tutors so that even the most "technophobic" can learn to use the equipment.

***"The 'Information Superhighway' is already a fact, even here in Natchitoches"***

The library is moving rapidly into the 21st century with various new electronic systems. You can already search for magazine articles, journals, government documents and educational materials from your home computer, through the library's database. Soon, our library will computerize its card catalog, making it far easier to search for books both in the library and by modem hook-up.

Our network system, the "VAX," has some of the best features offered at any public university in the state, and we don't even have to pay to use it. It allows access to the holdings at most of the university libraries in Louisiana and elsewhere. There are job listings, music news directly from Adam Curry (for those MTV addicts who only get to see VH-1 here in Natchitoches), games and too many other things to list.

There are plans to bring the Student Government online; students will be able to read legislation, find out about activities and write letters to their class senators by computer. Only a handfull of other universities world wide have such a system, and Student Government representatives from several universities are eagerly awaiting NSU's online SGA for ideas for their own schools.

Although few students currently take advantage of these technological advances, and many are even a little fearful of computers, the "Information Superhighway" is already a fact, even here in Natchitoches. As it becomes more popular, we hope that more students will discover the excellent information sources offered to them at Northwestern.

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# An Internet Love Story by an anonymous "Cybergirl"

**4/15 -- This computer is SO boring! Information Superhighway? Bah. I don't have time for this, I have too much homework to do.**

**4/23 -- Met a cool guy from America Online. Matt@AOL.COM. His e-mail is *so* cool!**

**4/28 -- Online for 17 hours today! Time runs together :) Matt wrote me 8 e-mail messages today! I wonder what he looks like.**

**5/3 -- Got my grades, 3 C's and a D! I had a 3.5 at md term, I wonder what happened...**

**5/8 -- The VAX has been down for 3 days! I'M LOSING MY MIND WITHOUT IT! I will assasinate the system operator if it isn't back up in an hour!**

**5/13 -- I've been online for 43 hours straight! Matt is coming to visit! Yay!**

**5/26 -- Matt was such a nerd! Ugh! I'm really glad he's gone! I hate the Internet!**

**6/3 -- Met a cool guy from Delphi. Larry. LGordon@delphi.com. His .sig file is *so* cool!**

# Politicians continue to blunder through world events

*FROM THE FRONT PAGES*

**PETE MULDOON**



It has been an interesting couple of weeks.

Who would have thought that Kim Il Sung, the ever-popular leader of North Korea, would have died while in the middle of a major power struggle involving Asia and the United States? Did the man have nothing to live for?

I have my own theory, of course. Remember when Jimmy Carter made his little trip over there a few weeks ago, determined to reason Kim into resolving the Korean Missile Crisis? He came back declaring that he had resolved the whole affair (one that had had Clinton s foreign policy people going nuts almost as long as he has been president) and Clinton, who was at a dinner of some sort when the news broke out, got up and said that the crisis was resolved.

Now I will be the first to admit that I had my doubts. I was a little skeptical that the old peanut man really had the peanuts to stand up and tell old Kim, a mean son-of-a-gun by all accounts, that he did not know how the president felt, but he knew one thing if this nuclear thing didn t make itself scarce he was going to take it personally. I mean, Jimmy is a good old boy and all, but steadfast resolve in the face of foreign adversity has never been his strong point. A case could well have been made that the former president went over there to give Mr. Sung some more time to fine-tune his machinery.

But I was wrong, so wrong. It is clear to me now that the forceful and intimidating presence of our former president was enough to not only make Kim drop this silly nuclear thing like a bad habit, but to literally frighten the man to death!

Sure, you can call me crazy. Go ahead! But it s staring at you in black and white! It is not like the man died of a slow and lingering cancer or something. He had a heart attack, for Pete s sake. He was scared, big time.

The G7 Economic summit has come and gone. Their legacy? A list of pledges, made by the leaders of the Western nations, including our fearless leader, Mr. Bill. Let us take a look at some of them, shall we? The Associated Press has compiled a list which seems to sum the matter up very nicely.

Okay, we pledged to keep our economic recovery on track. Okay, sure no problem. And while we are at it, lets raise smart kids and cure cancer.

We are going to adopt measures to create new jobs. Great! Incredible! Here we have seven Western leaders, one of whom has been repeatedly accused of being a Rhodes Scholar, and they still think that they can can create jobs. This particular theory of creation is one that just boggles the mind. How can he call the religious right crazy when he believes in this?

Government cannot create jobs. It can put people to work and give them money for it but this does not create jobs. All government can do is foster a climate in which the private sector finds it beneficial to create jobs. The best way for government to do this, of course, is to take a hike.

What is next? Oh, we are going to increase investment in education and help improve workes' skills. This means we are going to throw more money at a problem that has nothing to do with money simply because the National Education Association, the largest political contributor in the United States, got Billy elected. Does anyone really think anymore that we do not spend enough money on education? This is just plain deceit on the part of the president, who knows better, and the leaders of the NEA. I like it so much better when Bill just lies outright about meaningless things.

And something else. How can an organization, the vast majority of whose membership receives money from the federal government, be allowed to contribute to campaigns? It is ridiculous, and it is a sign of just how ridiculous our government has become. What is next will we let the Marine Corps contribute to the campaign of Ollie North? Congress should pass a law forbidding any organization in which 50 percent or more of the members **or** voting delegates are receiving any form of federal money from contributing in any way to any campaign for public office.

In fact, I advocate disallowing any donation to any campaign or elected or appointed official above the amount of five dollars, and then only by private citizens. Upon election, members of Congress should receive the sum of $500,000 for every year of their single term. Sure they do not deserve it, but they are going to get it anyway, and it s much cheaper for us to give to them. Their methods probably cost us $20 and irreparable national damage for every one dollar they receive. But I digress.

We have pledged to support an increase in aid for developing countries. This by the biggest debtor nation in the world, far and away. In the last quarter century or so, we have borrowed over one and one half trillion dollars from our children, and now we intend to borrow some more so that we can feel good about Third World countries. We are truly thoughtless.

We are going to give more money to the Palestinian Authority, to South Africa, and probably to some aborigines somewhere who can make headdresses and jewelry out of it.

I wish I could say that Bill will break these pledges just like he has broken almost every other one, but he is going to feel pressured by all those world leaders who know that he wants to be one too.

I got to hand it to our president though. It seems that he has solved this Haitian refugee thing. He has figured out that all he has to do is make sure he does not keep the same policy in effect long enough for any Haitians to get from there to here in a boat.

I think I know what his problem is. He has got too many people making up his mind probably his whole staff, representatives from the Departments of State and Justice, foreign dignitaries and his wife. With all these people telling him what to do, it is no wonder he keeps changing course. Poor man. He should have no more than two or three people making his decisions for him, and they need to keep him away from the cameras.

# Athletes recognized at convention

## *Spears, Pavlov, Lancelin win student athletes of the year awards*

Three athletes from Northwestern State University won awards July 9, at the 10th Louisiana Athletic Director's Association awards for the 1993-94 athletic year.

Marcus Spears, football; Ljujudmila Pavlov, women's tennis and Eric Lancelin, men's track; all won athlete of the year awards. The presentation of the athlete of the year awards in 11 sports were announced as part of the 1994 Louisiana Sports Writers Association convention at the Monteleone Hotel in New Orleans.



SPEARS

Football winner Spears, an offensive tackle, was picked by the Chicago Bears in the second round of the NFL Draft.

The semifinalist for the Outland Trophy, given to the nation's top lineman, was the first Division 1-AA player to ever reach such consideration for the award. Spears, a two-time All-America pick had 138 knockdown blocks and did not allow a quarterback sack in his last two years.

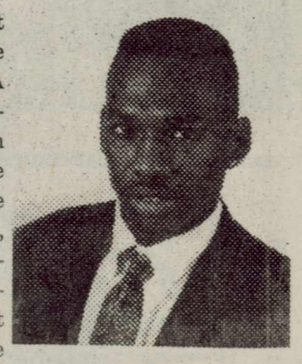
In women's tennis, freshman Ljudmila Pavlov put herself in position to be a multiple LADA winner with her honor this year. Pavlov was ranked 62nd nationally and led the Lady Demons to their first Southland Conference team title.



PAVLOV

She finished 30-3 in her first season, winning the SLC No. 1 singles and No. 2 doubles titles.

Lancelin won his third All-America honor at the NCAA Outdoors in the triple jump, finishing seventh. At the Southland Conference outdoor event, he was the triple jump winner, while finishing fifth in the high jump.



LANCELIN

He was an indoor All-America in 1994 as well, capturing the SLC indoor triple jump title in the same year.

Nominees in the 11 sports were made by the school athletic directors and in the final balloting, school officials could not vote for a representative from their respective institutions.

Other award winners included Kyla Hall of the University of Southwestern Louisiana in women's softball, Lu Reis of Louisiana State University in volleyball, Pam Thomas of Louisiana Tech in women's basketball.

Also winning were Michael Allen of USL in men's basketball, Sean Halloran of Southeastern University in golf, John Philips of USL in men's tennis,

Russ Johnson of LSU in baseball and Cheryl Taplin of LSU in women's track, finsished the list of winners.

# NSU offers two-summer master's program

JANE BALDWIN
*The Current Sauce*

Heavy workloads and having children are some of the obstacles that often hinder students from obtaining master's degrees, but not anymore. For the second summer, students can earn a graduate degree in just two summers through the intensive summer graduate program at Northwestern.

The University of Southern Mississippi is the only other university to offer an intensive summer graduate program. Through the program, students can complete 24 semester hours of course work in just 20 weeks during the two 10-week summer sessions.

"The essence of its [intensive summer graduate program] uniqueness is that we offer the course work when the students are available," Dr. Anthony J. Scheffler, assistant dean of graduate studies and program director of the summer graduate program, said. "Other universities expect the students to be available for the course work. There are no universities that can guarantee available course work at a certain time. It is a risk on the universities part to say 'come one or come 100 this course will still be there.'"

Dr. Randall Webb, dean of graduate studies, heard about the intensive summer program from Dr. Paul Peddicord about two years ago, but it wasn't until the summer of 1993 that the program went into full swing with positive results. Now, Scheffler is in charge of the program with Peddicord as a consultant.

The program attracted graduate students from 20 states around the nation as well as from Canada, Japan, Holland, Panama and Burma. Over 160 students are participating this summer.

"All of the people [students] are working professionals," Scheffler said. "Many have families. The average age is over 36.

"They essentially put everything aside to pursue a degree. That's a big commitment with family and professional obligations."

Usually, a student pursuing a graduate degree outside the summer program would have to take classes for two to four years to complete the course work when available. Completing the degree in just two summers gives students more opportunities to pursue their careers without having to leave for a long period of time.

However, some have doubts if the program is effective in two summers. Scheffler said the experience is "much richer," despite the rapid completion of course work.

The program offers graduate degrees in educational administration, educational supervision, counseling and guidance, sport administration, educational technology, special education-generic, secondary English education, elementary teaching, English-writing and linguistics, English literature, music and (tentative) art.

Some degrees require up to 33 or 36 hours for completion such as a specialist's degree in education. Therefore, students may be expected to complete six semester hours of approved transfer credit from an accredited institution. Others require a six hour internship.

# ADVANCE: Program brings diverstity to students' educational experience

For the second year, the program will offer a satellite course in cooperation with the Louisiana Universities Marine Consortium in Cocodrie, La.

Twenty of these students will spend two weeks studying marine life hands-on at LUMCON's Marine Center. Scientists who conduct research at LUMCON's facilities will instruct the students.

New classes offered this summer include Louisiana archeology, chaos, fractals & DS (new math), ecology, government institutions & procedures and Shakespeare & performance. The new classes were very well received, according to Talbert, and many classes feature activities that are fun as well as educational.

The Louisiana archeology class attended many field trips and digs, Talbert said. The students collected and studied artifacts in addition to class work.

And while some students may find Shakespeare boring, the program's Shakespeare course culminated in a performance which allowed students to see the plays from a new point of view.

With a staff of about 90 members, the program's faculty includes teachers, teaching assistants, resident advisors, counselors and a nurse. The ratio of students to teachers is about 8:1.

Once the program begins, students spend six hours each day in classes or field trips with one hour in the evenings for a study period. The students also attend three hours of class on Saturdays.

Although the program stresses academic activities, the students do spend some time away from studies. During their free time, students may choose to participate in various sports and board games or watch movies. In Cocodrie, fishing seems to be the most popular activity.

Talbert said the main goal of the program is to make learning fun for the students. Another goal is to challenge students.

The program is in its sixth summer and Talbert attributes the over 50 percent return rate to the great work done by previous program directors.

The students stay in Louisiana School for Math, Science and the Arts dormitories while attending the program. Estimated total cost for Louisiana students is $780 and $1,305 for out-of-state students.

The Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE) and several private foundations fund the Advance Program For Young Scholars.

# NURSING: Master's program ready for action

program have met all academic requirements and will be ready to enter clinical training in the spring.

"This is the best thing to happen at NSU-Fort Polk in the seven years I've been here," Baumgardner said.

"We are excited about this program and feel we have a lot to offer our community."

## Crossword 101

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By Gerry Frey



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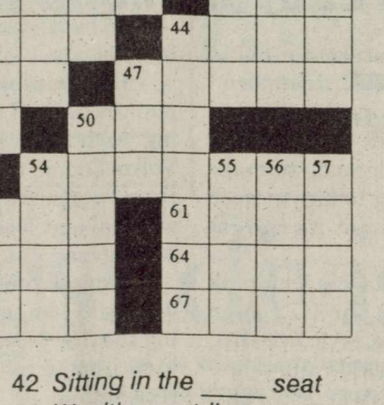
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# Leisure Activities: More than just intramural sports

## Department offers diverse activities

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Campus Recreation or Leisure Activities provides a variety of programs to enhance the college experience for students.

Campus Recreation has many facets including intramurals, extramurals, special events, the fitness center, drop-in recreation, club sports and student employment.

"I think we have shown a steady increase in the last seven years that I've been here," Gene Newman, director of Leisure Activities said. "We're talking about an increase in the number of teams from when I first came. We used to average 10 to 12 teams in each sport and now we average about 30 to 60 teams per sport. Last year over 50,000 kids signed their names and used the facilities so awareness is there the the ability is there."

As far as team sports are concerned, intramurals is a major aspect. "Intramurals is our competitive sports program," Newman said. "We have men's leagues, dorm leagues, co-recreational leagues for men and women and women's leagues that participate in team competition." other teams are formed by organizations or Greek affiliations.

The primary intramural sports are football, softball, volleyball and basketball. The secondary sports include track, tennis, golf, swimming, bowling and racquetball.

Besides intramural sports, leisure activities offers extramural sports. "Extramurals by definition is a competition between schools," Newman said. "They're 27 schools and colleges in Louisiana that participate in the state extramural tournament."

The extramural sports include football and volleyball in the fall and softball and basketball in the spring. "We play a tournament in the fall and a tournament in the spring," Newman said. "We send up to six teams to each sport — two men [teams], two women [teams] and two co-rec. [teams].

According to Newman, Northwestern was the state champion in extramural softball last year. "When you look at Northwestern State University softball, football and basketball, we've always gone to the quarter finals or the semi-finals," he said.

In addition to team sports, leisure activities also offers special events. "The special events are really geared for the total student population," Newman said. They include activities such as the Half-Nighter, Home Run Derby, one-on-one and three-on-three basketball foul shooting contests and tennis, pool, and ping-pong tournaments.

Leisure Activities also features the fitness center located at the leisure activities building. The fitness center is operated on a drop-in basis. Students may come by to use a variety of fitness equipment including stationary equipment and weights. The center is open to students from noon to 8 p.m. every school day and from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. on weekends.

Similar to the fitness center, drop-in recreation is another major aspect of leisure activities. Students can come by the leisure activities building to check out sports equipment, such as bicycles or footballs, or just "drop in" to play "pick-up" basketball or volleyball or play pool or ping-pong.

Drop-in recreation is open to students from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. seven days a week during the fall and spring semesters. Students may "drop in" from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. on weekdays during the summer, according to Newman.

"In essence we try to meet the students' needs by being available to the students seven days a week," Newman said.

In addition to its own activities, campus recreation also helps promote Club Sports, such as rowing, bowling and soccer. "Now we don't sponsor per se, but we use our facilities and we handle some of the expenses and things of that nature," Newman said. The Student Government Association sponsors Club Sports.

"Another major aspect of the program that we don't really get to talk about a lot is student employment," Newman said. "We employ probably between 75 and 100 students a year." Student employment jobs through leisure activities include student officials, receptionists, fitness center supervisors, game room supervisors, office assistants, marketing committee workers and other general jobs.

According to Newman when leisure activities provides a student with an opportunity to work, that student's significant gain is not in money but in experience and relationships and developed skills.

"All these skills are greatly enhanced by the opportunity to examine these things as a student worker in sports plus working with other students," Newman said. "And it's on a supervised basis where if they make a mistake — they make a mistake. And we hope to learn from the mistakes that are made.

"We've got opportunities for almost a hundred students to grow in a work environment, in a peer environment," Newman said.

At all levels of involvement — student receptionist, game official, team player — students learn important skills — leadership, communication, organizational, problem-solving — through leisure activities.

**More Info:**
*Call the Leisure Activities department at 5461 or go by the Intramural building across from Roy Hall*

## Shootin' Hoops



Junior Northwestern student Terry Banks takes advantage of the basketball court in the Intramurals building

# Northwestern promotes Chris Maggio

ERIC METOYER
*The Current Sauce*

The Lady Demons' track and field coach Chris Maggio will relinquish his track and field duties to replace Glen Krupica as executive director of the Northwestern Athletic Association.

Krupica, who resigned in late May to become executive director of the Poulan Weed Eater Independence Bowl and the Shreveport-Bossier City Sports Foundation, left the executive director position open.

Maggio, 30, will serve as an athletic fund raiser. The position currently generates more than $400,000 annually to support the Northwestern athletic program.



Maggio

His charisma, intelligence and tireless attitude were a few of the reasons Tynes Hildebrand, athletic director, chose Maggio for the new position.

"The qualities which made Chris a very good coach will translate well into making him a very successful fund raiser and member of our administrative staff," Hildebrand said.

Maggio, whose appointment has been approved by the State Board of Trustees for Colleges and Universities and is effective immediately, leaves behind a successful track and cross country team. According to Hildebrand, a search for a new women's track coach is underway.

"We're gaining a tremendous asset administratively but we're losing a bright young coach," Hildebrand said.

Maggio's success with women's track and field and cross country are only two examples of the qualifications that he has to offer. The coach, who helped raise the Lady Demons' cross country team from a non-contender to one of the top three teams in the Southland Conference, was also Northwestern's summa cum laude in 1985, a four-year letterman in track and cross country, and president of Kappa Alpha Fraternity.

Maggio is a Natchitoches native who intends to give his all to his new position and advance. "This is my home. I'm looking to advance at Northwestern because I love Northwestern," he said. ". . . I'll miss a great deal about coaching, but I'm excited to know what I'm doing now is critical for our student-athletes and coaches to succeed as much as possible."

# DuBois resigns to take post at Texas-Arlington

## Southland Conference 'Coach of the Year' leaves Lady Demons with Southland Conference win

ERIC METOYER
*The Current Sauce*

Patric DuBois, coach of Northwestern's Southland Conference women's tennis champions, has resigned to become the head men's tennis coach at Texas-Arlington University.

DuBois, the 1994 Southland Conference women's "Coach of the Year, led North western to its first conference tennis title in five years. The Lady Demons scored a league record 100 points and were 9-0 in regular season dual match conference competition.

In five seasons under DuBois, who took over in 1990, Northwestern posted a 65-32 (.670) dual match record, including a 13-4 record in 1994.

The championship winning coach has left the Northwestern women's program in good shape according to Tynes Hildebrand, athletic director.

"Patric's contributions to our tennis program go far beyond this year's conference championship," Hildebrand said. "His young ladies were outstanding student-athletes and fine representatives of Northwestern."

Though DuBois is leaving, his winning spirit should remain with the Lady Demons' tennis team. Hildebrand intends to make sure of this. "We're looking to hire a coach who can keep our program at its current level," he said.

DuBois, 29, coached players who rank No.1, Vicky Sims and No. 4, Karen Patel, on Northwestern's all-time singles victories list. He successfully recruited world-ranked junior star Ljudmila Pavlov this season's SLC and All-Louisiana "Player of the Year" as a freshman.

His emphasis on academic performances paid off with a representative during each of his seasons on the prestigious Volvo Tennis Scholar-Athlete Team. The team recognizes the top Division I players who have at least a 3.5 cumulative grade point average.

Patel won GTE Academic All-America honors in her senior season, 1991, becoming the first Northwestern student-athlete to earn major college Academic All-America recognition.

DuBois revitalized the local tennis community in Natchitoches by instituting a series of clinics and league play, along with the annual Foy Motors Lady Demon Classic as a major fund raiser.

The departing DuBois admits he will also miss Natchitoches.

"It was difficult to leave Natchitoches and Northwestern but the opportunity was too great to pass up," DuBois, a native of Kingston, N.Y., said.

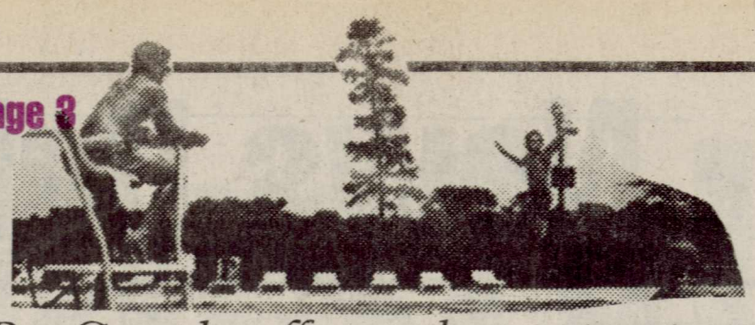
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## NSU receives budget increase from state

BRIDGETTE MORVANT
*The Current Sauce*

The Louisiana State Legislature recently granted a substantial budget increase of $1,384,000 to Northwestern State University.

Of the increase $278,000 will go to Northwestern's programs at England Air Force Base in Alexandria. The rest of the increase is attributed to the growth of the University over the past seven years.

"The University has grown and the funding really had not kept up with that," Jerry Pierce, vice president of external affairs, said. "The increase in funding will really help the problems caused by growth."

The new increase brings Northwestern's budget, which includes state revenue and self-generated money such as tuition, to a total of $35,570,244. However, the Legislature also proposed a requirement that all state agencies set aside $488,000 for risk management. The risk management money goes into a pool of money for the entire state which can be used to cover law suits and other emergencies. This deduction would actually bring the net budget increase to $896,000.

The Legislature set aside $11.8 million for higher education. Schools under the Board of Trustees received $6,577,000 of that money. The increase which Northwestern received reflected the growth at the University over the past seven years, according to Pierce.

Northwestern will also receive money from the state capital outlay budget. This money is separate from the budget. $700,000 will go towards new turf in Turpin Stadium. At 18-years-old, Northwestern's football turf is the "oldest in existence," according to Tynes Hildebrand, director of the athletic administration. "It was unsafe to play on," he said. "We would not have been able to play at Northwestern this season if the turf had not been replaced." Work on the new turf should begin around the first of August and must be completed by Sept. 3 when Northwestern plays its first home game.

The capital outlay budget will also provide money for the renovations in Russell Hall which houses the Louisiana Scholars' College. Ac-

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## NSU offers degrees at Alexandria

JANE BALDWIN
*The Current Sauce*

Commuting Northwestern students from Alexandria may not have to drive to Natchitoches to complete their degrees now that four-year degrees are being offered in Alexandria through LSU-A and Northwestern.

For several years Northwestern has offered the master's degree programs in education and nursing at Alexandria, but realized that many students from LSUA, a junior college, wished to complete other four year degrees without having to commute to Natchitoches. All the programs at LSUA, except three, offer only associate degrees forcing students to finish their education elsewhere.

Dr. Randall Webb, dean of graduate studies and instruction at Northwestern, and Dr. Robert Cavanaugh, LSUA's former vice chancellor for Academic Affairs, began working together to find a solution to the problem.

"This is really a cooperative effort," Webb said. "We took a number of Northwestern officials from financial aid and the registrar's office and met with the officials from LSUA and began a cooperative model."

In November the schools conducted an organizational meeting to see how many students were interested. The overwhelming response from LSUA students resulted in four baccalaureate programs to be offered at Northwestern's Alexandria campus. Since January students were offered baccalaureate programs in mathematics education, social science education, English education and social work.

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## Weekend with Vernie



**Vernie Gibson of Jena makes a fish net at last week's Natchitoches/Northwestern Folk Festival. (See photo essay, page 10)**

## Business division accredited

JEFF GUIN
*The Current Sauce*

The Northwestern Division of Business recently took a big step in gaining respect — and maybe a few students as well. After two years of study, the Association of Collegiate Business Schools and Programs added Northwestern to the list of 523 schools it accredits.

According to Dr. Barry Smiley, head of the Division of Business, recognition by the ACBSP provides "validation to prospective students that the Division of Business here at Northwestern has met nationally established standards of quality."

While the accreditation will likely be an exceptional recruiting tool, the honor was hard-earned.

Although the ACBSP was founded only in 1989, the organization does not grant accreditation easily. In fact, the association took many factors into account when determining whether the Northwestern program met its standards. Faculty, student support services, facilities, financial resources, organization and management skills were the major areas examined.

Among the changes most readily apparent to students are the renovations of Morrison Hall, where business classes are held. Smiley said specific renovations are not a requirement of accreditation, other than achieving an overall better learning environment for students.

*"The Division of Business here at Northwestern has met nationally established standards of quality"*

BARRY SMILEY
HEAD, DIVISION OF BUSINESS

Changes to the building included the installation of central air, new lighting and fresh paint.

Curriculum requirements were evaluated as well. The ACBSP requires business curricula to include between 40-50 percent non-business courses.

According to Smiley, students won't notice any course changes because those changes were already made several years ago. However, prerequisite policies and grade requirements are being more strictly enforced as not to jeopardize the process.

Faculty were also involved in the process, compiling reports on the department for study by the ACBSP and becoming involved with academic activities outside the University.

Other factors included in the evaluation were student test scores, placement, continuing education, professional status, transfer data and graduate quality.

Now that the business division has been accredited, Smiley said a self-evaluation will be submitted yearly. The program will have to be reaccredited every seven years.

Smiley said the Division is also seeking accreditation from the American Assembly of Collegiate Schools of Business, which is a much older organization. He said the Division will submit a self-study to the AACSB this fall.

**Seeking accreditation:**

**Northwestern: Southern Association of Collegiate Schools**

**Journalism: Accrediting Council for Journalism and Mass Communication.**

***Received Accreditation*** **-- Nursing: National League for Nursing**

## 'Columns' open for tours

The new on-campus housing community, University Columns Apartments, is nearing completion . In preparation for the grand opening of the complex, the staff of the Columns is giving tours of the complex and of the completed models.

According to the University Columns' staff, interested students need only make an appointment in Rm. 234 of the Student Union to view the progress.

Apartments are available in two-bedroom, four-bedroom and efficiency units.

Building of the apartments began in the spring semester. The complex is located on Tarlton Drive behind Greek Hill.

At press time, landscape work was underway, as was work on the pool.

The Columns are available to faculty, staff and students.

## WORLD REPORT

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**NORTHWESTERN TO HOST GRANT SEMINAR:** Those interested can now receive more tips on where to find grants. Northwestern's Office of Grants and Contracts is conducting it's annual Grant writing seminar Aug. 3-5. PAGE 2.

**MARCHING BAND NEEDS ICE:** The 250-member "Spirit of Northwestern Marching Band" is looking for an ice machine. PAGE 2

**COURT DATE SET FOR NORTHWESTERN STUDENT:** The trial of Debra Bell, a senior journalism major from Shreveport, will begin Friday in Natchitoches. Bell was charged with carrying a firearm in a firearm free zone. Her loaded .380 calibur semi-automatic was found in her purse by two students after she had forgotten it in class.

### CITY

**NATCHITOCHES RESIDENT APPOINTED EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF OPERA THEATER:** A Natchitoches resident was appointed executive director of the Birmingham Opera Theater May 25. Howard Burkett is a Northwestern graduate of music and voice performance.

### STATE

**HUEY P. LONG HOSPITAL IN PINEVILLE MOVES TO ENGLAND AIRFORCE BASE:** The abandoned hospital on England airbase will be vacant no longer. The Huey P. Long hospital will begin medical care in the new building by October. PAGE 2

**NEW ORLEANS' SCHOOLS SEEK FUNDING FOR RENOVATIONS:** Termites, flooding and fires leave New Orleans' schools with a $492 million repair bill. PAGE 2

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**MORE UNIVERSITIES SUPPORT DOMESTIC PARTNER POLICIES:** An increasing number of colleges and universities are providing expanded benefits to gay and lesbian faculty and staff members. PAGE 2

**UNCONDITIONAL LOVE INCREASES GOOD HEALTH:** Research shows love and being loved have measurable physicological effects. The physcicological effects of love prevent a number of diseases including cancer. PAGE 2

**VETERAN AFFAIRS AWARDS NURSE FELLOWSHIPS:** The Department of Veteran Affairs is announcing the establishment of fellowship programs for postdoctoral nurses and awards to nurses at three VA medical centers in Buffalo, N.Y.; Tucson, Ariz.; and Hines, Ill. The two-year program provides nurses with additional scientific and research background and expands their potential for leadership in clinical research nursing.

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## Northwestern conducts grant writing seminar

One of the keys to obtaining a grant is knowing where to look, so Northwestern's Office of Grants and Contracts is conducting its annual Grant Writing Seminar Aug. 3-5 to assist grantwriters.

Harold Ledford, director of grants and contracts at Northwestern, will conduct the seminar. Topics to be covered in the seminar will include developing successful methods for pursuing grants, locating funding sources from federal and state agencies, private and corporate foundations and using electronic means to access data bases.

Other areas to be covered are prior preparation for developing a proposal including reading and analyzing the request for proposal, understanding how proposals are reviewed and evaluated, writing techniques for goal objectives, program descriptions, budgets and evaluations. Other topics include effective grants management, developing a system within an organization to pursue grants and successful techniques for winning proposals.

Participants will learn effective grant writing techniques through lectures, discussion of successful grants and practice in writing and reviewing grants. The seminar will give participants practice in seeking sources through electronic means, organization of a request for proposal and writing a mini-grant.

The cost of the seminar is $300, which includes a grants workbook that includes extensive grant information. A 15 percent discount is available if more than one person from an organization attends. Three continuing education units will be given for participation.

For more information on the seminar, contact the Northwestern Office of Grants and Contracts at 357-4522.

## Northwestern Band needs help to beat the heat

The Spirit of Northwestern Marching Band is looking to be put on ice by this fall. The 250-member band is in need of a new ice machine to help the long, hot practice sessions go by a little easier.



**Hank Cannon and other cast members of Damn Yankees prepare for one of their final performances. The final show was Sunday night.**

"Our current ice machine has put out its last cube," Bill Brent, head of the Department of Creative and Performing Arts and director of bands, said. "We go through a lot of ice during practice sessions between icing down drinks and getting water for the band. The community has been very supportive of our program in the past, so if anyone knows where we can get a working ice machine, please let me know."

Anyone with a lead on an ice machine can contact Brent at 357-4522.

## England Air Force Base facilities to be used by Huey P. Long Hospital

The key points in a lease between the England Air Force Base Authority and the Louisiana Health Care Authority for the base hospital to be operated by Huey P. Long Medical Center in Pineville was announced in a verbal agreement in Alexandria July 18.

"The availablity of this hospital facility will dramatically improve health care for a large segment of Central Louisiana's citizens," McPherson said. "Primary care services will be provided in a manner which not only improve patient services but also permit efficiencies not feasible in the current operations of the hospital. This will mean cost savings to taxpayers in addition to better health care for all our citizens."

Clinical services will begin at England Air Force Base by October and in-patient services will start in January.

The new facility will be staffed by approximately 170 employees, 50 of whom will transfer from Huey P. Long Hospital.

## New Orleans' schools in disrepair

According to a July 19 article in *USA Today*, problems such as frayed wiring, leaking roofs and termites are among the many hazards plaguing school buildings in New Orleans.

"For buildings, they're the equivalent of AIDS; they're out of control," Ken Ducote, director of facilities for New Orleans Public Schools, said.

Constant floods and accidental fires leave the buildings in need of a $492 million face-lift for repairs and construction.

Students are forced to use graffiti-ridden bathrooms without doors to the stalls. Others are forced out of the classroom by hungry termites.

A bill is now circulating through the Senate that would increase national school repair and construction budgets with $400 million. However, New Orleans alone needs $492 million in repairs.

## Universities establish domestic partner policies

In an effort to demonstrate that they are desirable, equitable places to work and study, an increasing number of American colleges and universities are providing expanded benefits to the partners of their gay and lesbian faculty and staff members.

This extension of benefits, mostly health insurance, but sometimes tuition discounts and access to facilites mirrors a growing trend among U.S. businesses to provide equal treatment and compensation to all employees and their partners despite their sexual orientation. These changes come at a time when society's views about homosexuality are becoming more tolerant and gays and lesbians are demanding the same benefits their married counterparts receive.

Approximately two dozen universities and colleges have instituted domestic partner policies during the past two years, including Harvard, Columbia, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Pomona College, Wellesley College and the universities of Chicago, Colorado, Vermont and Wisconsin, according to the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force. In doing so, these institutions are trying to attract students and faculty concerned with gay rights and to fufill nondiscrimination policies that many universities have instituted.

## Love promotes good health

Everybody knows that love makes one feel good, but a Southern Connecticut State University researcher says the effects of l'amor on health are more profound than most people imagine.

Loving and being loved have measurable physicological effects, the most important of which is strengthening the immune system, which prevents a host of diseases, including cancer, said Jerry Ainsworth, a professor of physical education who teaches a course on love and health.

In children, X-rays reveal youngster's bones do not grow as fast or strong as they should during periods in which they were not loved, he said. Although romantic love is idealized by American culture, the healthiest kind of love is unconditional.

A branch of study called "psychoneuroimmunolgy" acknowledges the mind-body connection. When the spirit is suffering, destructive things such as malignancies start happening in the body, Ainsworth said.

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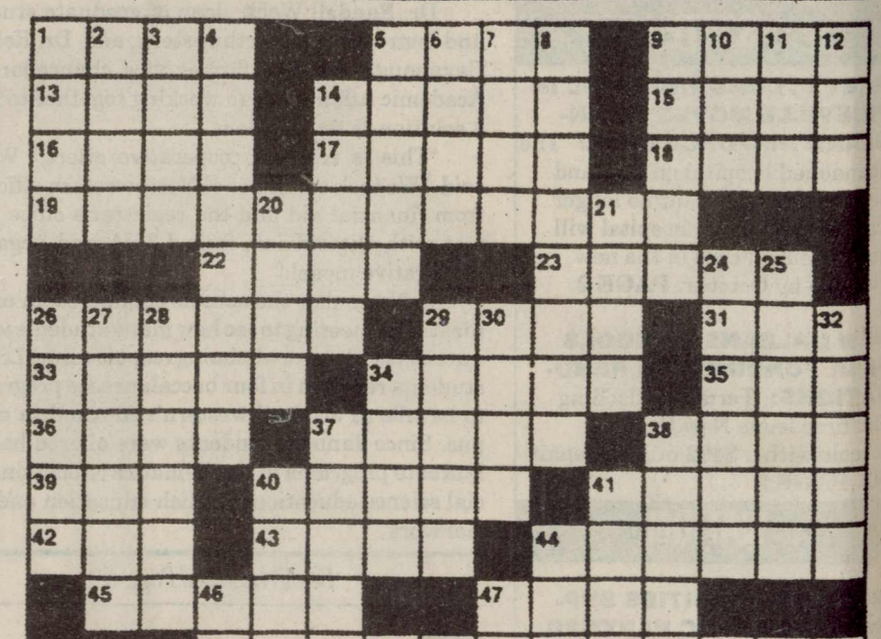
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# CAMPUS CRIME REPORT

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| 1. Theft (number of offenses) | |
| Felony (over $100) | 12 |
| Misdemeanor | 6 |
| Total | 18 |
| Total property losses | $9,640.02 |
| Average amount of loss per theft | $535.55 |
| Total property recovered | $1,120.12 |
| Cases cleared (arrest/discipline) | 5/1 |
| Attempted thefts | 1 |
| 2. Burglary | |
| From residence halls/buildings | 0 |
| From vehicles | 4 |
| Total property losses | $1455 |
| Cases cleared (arrest/discipline) | 0 |
| Location of burglary/theft offense | |
| Residence halls | 8 |
| Other buildings | 5 |
| Vehicles | 5 |
| Grounds | 4 |
| 3. Motor vehichle theft | |
| Number of vehicle thefts | 0 |
| Recovered (this/other agency) | 0 |
| B. Crimes against the person | |
| 1. Armed robbery | |
| Strong arm | 0 |
| 2. Battery | |
| Simple | 4 |
| C. Miscellaneous Offenses | |
| 1. Vandalism/property damage | 4 |
| II. Agency Responses | |
| A. Arrests | |
| Felony | 2 |
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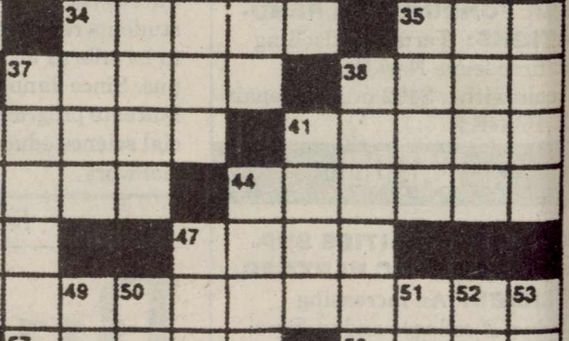


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37 Soda jerk's milieu
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40 Broad smile
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46 Passage
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49 Otherwise
50 Irritate
51 Great Lake
52 Garden tool
53 Snow vehicle
54 Make a choice
55 Time period
56 Ladle

### ANSWERS





# SAB plans activities for students during 'Welcome week'

HEATHER URENA
*The Current Sauce*

Welcome Week may end up with almost two weeks of scheduled activities, according to Carl Henry, director of Student Activities.

The Student Activities Board is in the process of planning a week of afternoon and evening activities for students. Some of the plans are sketchy, but the SAB is still arranging events.

The activities begin Aug. 22 and will continue through the next Thursday. No Friday programs have been scheduled since many students will be either going home for the weekend or settling into the dorms.

To begin the week, SAB has contacted two caricature artists through Neal Portnoy Studios in Dallas to portray students. This event will be in the lobby on the second floor of the Union from 11 a.m.- 3 p.m. The artists will ask each 'model' about his or her background to relate the picture to each student's interests.

Pull tags will be used so students won't have to wait in line, per se. The caricatures are free to students, and after approximately five minutes per subject, students will have a charcoal portrait in hand.

"They do good work. Students love the caricatures," Henry said. "This event has always been very popular."

The SAB is attempting to schedule *Tombstone* for Tuesday's Movie Night in The Alley. "We're trying to get *Tombstone* because it was such a popular movie," Henry said.

Also in The Alley, comedienne Maryellen Hooper, who has performed here before, will begin her act at 7 p.m. Wednesday. "Maryellen's performance at Welcome Week two years ago was a 'standing room only' event," Dwayne Jones, president of SAB, said. "The students love her because she has an opinion on everything. And whether you agree or disagree, you'll be laughing all night."

The Welcome Dance will be a street dance in front of Iberville Cafeteria beginning at 7 p.m. Trini Triggs and his sister Rose, who play locally in The Cove Lounge at the Mariner, will provide the entertainment. The music will include rock, country and western and pop.

Tentative plans for the next week's activities include a Tuesday night movie (possibly *Philadelphia*), a Wednesday night performance in The Alley by a second comedian or other novelty performer and a dance outside Iberville with a disc jockey for Thursday night.

All activities are free to students with current Northwestern identificaion. The cost of the events

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# EARTH ART

MONICA PETTIETTE
*The Current Sauce*

The beauty of Louisiana has been depicted in many forms in the past, but one man has created a natural and unique method of portraying the state and all of its many flavors.

Henry Neubig, a Baton Rouge artist and retired teacher of 20 years, has developed a new technique of painting. Mud painting, as he calls it, is a method using dirt and clay found here in Louisiana. He created this technique about six years ago and since that time has painted over 2,000 originals.

"The dirt is mixed with water to a painting consistency and applied with a brush," Neubig said.

Neubig developed his first mud paintings for an exhibition presented by the Louisiana Department of Agriculture.

Neubigs' paintings all depict Louisiana scenery and tradition.

"Louisiana has been my home for 62 years. I know it well," Neubig said. "Just as a writer writes about what he knows, the artist paints the subject he knows best."

According to a press release from the Neubig Art Studio/Gallery, "The pigments to which an artist had access, their purity and the ways in which an artist combined them produce a palette as unique as the artist."

Working with mud is not necessarily harder than working with paint, according to Neubig. "Using the mud is different than any commercial pigment," he said. "The colors have different characteristics, some are transparent and others more opaque."

About the source of his inspiration, Neubig said, "After many years of observing the variety of colors in our earth, I chose to develop this as a medium about six years ago."

The paintings display a surprising variety of natural colors and shades.

The release also noted that "not long ago an artist mined his pigments from the earth of his homeland."

"The dirt is found throughout the state," Neubig said. "The reds and oranges and browns are from the central part of the state, and the greens are north. I have found most of the colors hiking with my family."

Originally from Plaquemine, La., Neubig is married to Linda and is the father of five children. "All of my attention is now devoted to painting and exhibitions," he said.

Neubig attributes his success to the constancy of the subject. "Louisiana mud painting is a unique Louisiana statement. The subject is Louisiana, the medium is Louisiana and the artist is from Louisiana. People appreciate the work for simply this."

These works reflect an eloquent simplicity. According to the release, "Neubig captures those quiet, fleeting everyday moments that don't last... His work speaks to the viewer about time, and more. He reminds you that each moment has value--no matter how small, ordinary or fleeting it may be."

"My work is collected by both Southerners and patrons from other states and countries," Neubig said. "It is a unique Louisiana art form and people enjoy acquiring the unique."

Neubigs' paintings can be found in collections in 26 countries as well as the Zigler Museum, West Baton Rouge Museum and the Louisiana State Archives. Neubig has shown art in four solo museum shows and one solo university show since 1990. *Artist Magazine* also published a feature article on Neubigs' work this year.

Neubigs' mud paintings will be displayed at the Natchitoches Art Guild, 608 Front St., during August. Neubig will open the showing with a demonstration at 1 p.m. on Aug. 1.

## Art Exhibit

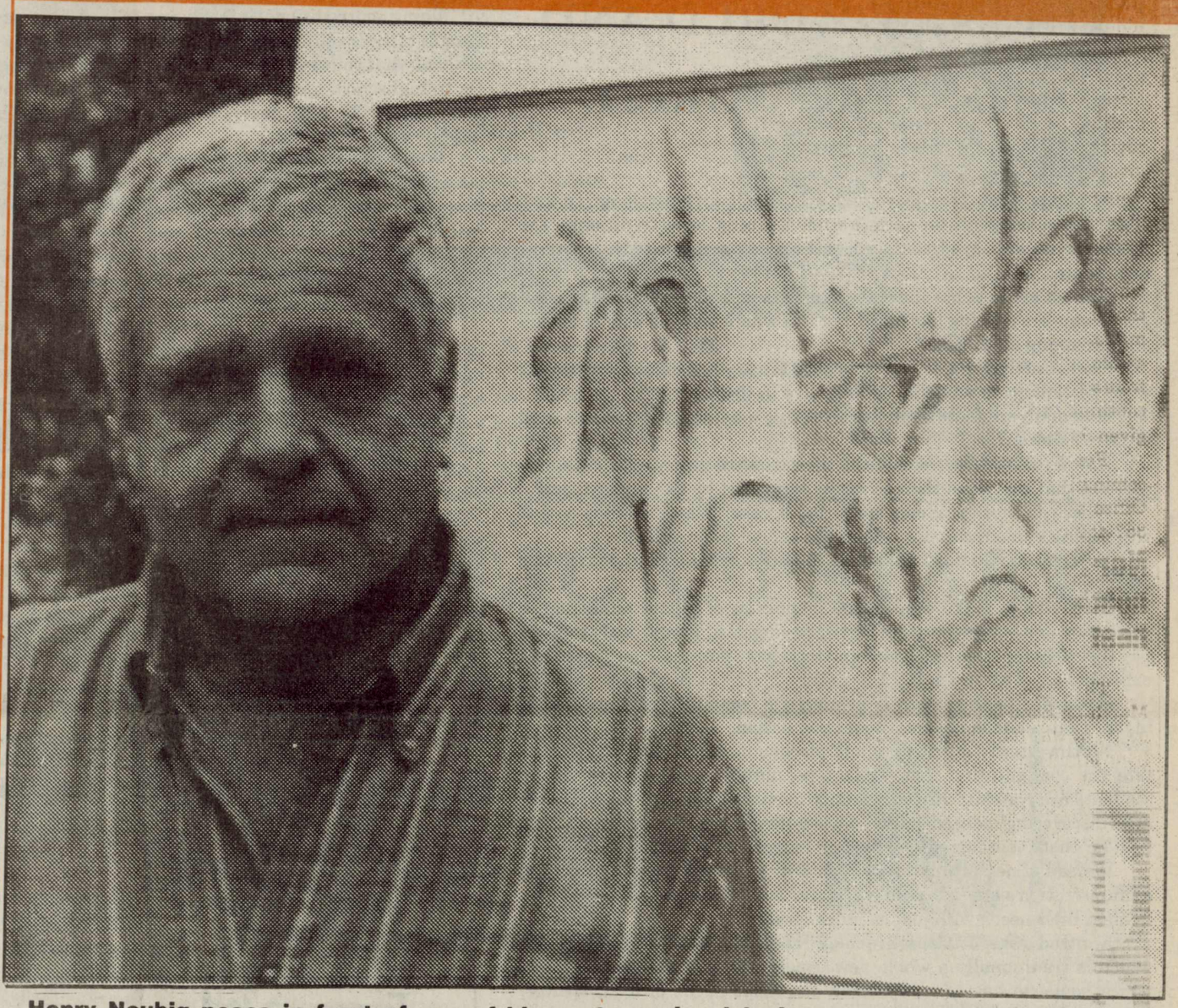
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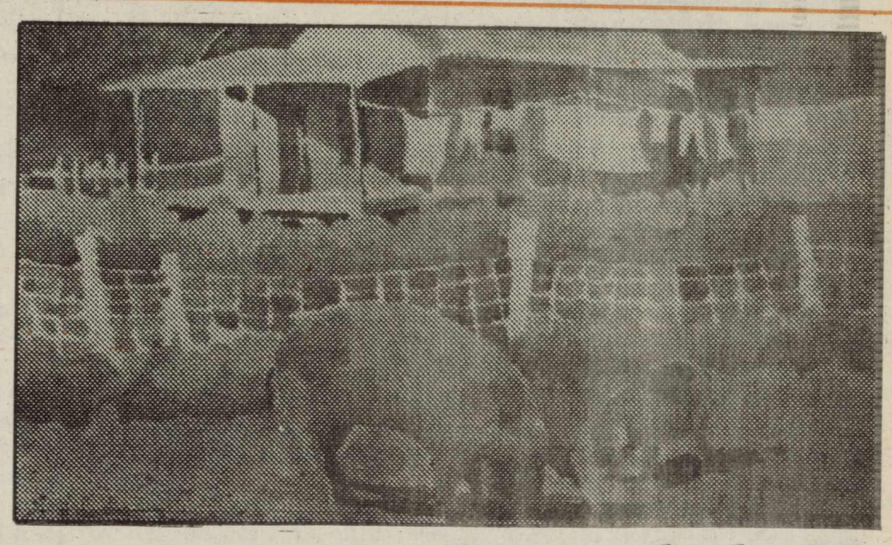
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## A Natural Artist



**Henry Neubig poses in front of one of his mud paintings. The paintings are made from Louisiana mud and depict scenery from Louisiana. Shown below is another one of his works.**



# Rush to provide look inside Northwestern Greek life

## *1994 Rush week will give information on going Greek at NSU*

HEATHER URENA
*The Current Sauce*

Some students get to "rush" into college life a little early. Formal Rush is a program in which students select particular sororities or fraternities and vice versa.

The Northwestern Panhellenic Association, the governing body of campus sororities, and the Interfraternity Council, the governing body of campus fraternities, work together to provide a look into Greek life at Northwestern within a few days.

Incoming students are informed by mailed brochures and/or Freshman Connection and can pick up an application or brochure from the Student Activities office, Rm. 214 of the Union.

The cost is $25 and includes three meals.

Check in for formal rush begins at 9 a.m., Aug. 17 for women and at 9 a.m. Aug. 18 for men.

During Rush week, students are grouped with a rush counselor, a Greek representative who disassociates from his or her chosen Greek organization for the purpose of promoting Greek life.

A counselor meets with students before and after parties to answer questions and give prospective Greeks the opportunity to share their thoughts and feelings.

Students meet at the different houses with the different Greek organizations to determine which one he or she would most like to join. The first day is a simple, no pressure get-together. Rushees meet Greeks and tour the houses.

The second day promotes knowledge of a particular organizations's specific achievements and involvements in service, parties and extracurricular activities. Friday is reserved for theme parties. These parties use a theme and related skits to involve and inform rushees.

> *"We invite people to participate in rush regardless of whether they pledge"*
>
> REATHA COX
> GREEK ADVISER

During the mutual selection process, Greek organizations give invitations to those students they are interested in as prospective members.

Saturday parties are attended by invitation only. Students are encouraged to attend each party but can accept or reject at any time.

All of the organizations recognize Greek silence following the last party. This is a national practice followed by all Greek organizations to allow students to make their choices without influence.

Much planning is involved with implementing this program. It is structured to fit with the national guidelines.

"We [Northwestern] have scaled down the expense of rush," Reatha Cox, Greek adviser and a national officer for Sigma Sigma Sigma, said, "There are no outside decorations. . . They have cut one skit night completely to make it strictly an information night and getting back to the basics."

In contemplating joining a fraternity or sorority, students should be aware of the financial obligations. Parents and students are provided with a fee sheet of the specific expenses required upon joining a Greek organization.

According to Cox, these fees and related expenses differ with each organization, but an estimate of the required average expenses include a national pledge fee of approximately $50, a local housing corporation fee that may be paid on an installation plan of $150 and first semester dues for a new pledge or associate of approximately $15 to $20.

"One-time fees are the highest expenses," Cox said. "Financial information is distributed through the individual chapters."

Following semesters require a basic expense ranging from $100 to $200 per semester and do not include tee-shirts, parties/dances and other Greek paraphernalia. However the organizations sometimes have other ways to help fund expenses, so that the individual expense is less of a burden.

"We invite people to participate in rush regardless of whether they pledge," Cox said. "The Greek system can provide a networking system within the University."

"They [rushees] get to move to campus early. They get to meet not only other incoming freshmen but also some upper class students."

According to Cox, the Greek system seems to provide a springboard to leadership on campus. "The Northwestern Greek population is not just tremendous in itself.... However, you will find that... of the more than 125 other groups, you're going to find Greeks are in a majority of leadership roles—or at least involved in those activities."

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# THE NEW WORLD AND THE REAL WORLD

Students, when they leave high school, join an entirely new world. When first moving into the dorm, a student is considered traditional. The freshmen are wide-eyed, confused, enthusiastic and exicited by this new experience.

But not all students share the same sentiments or glints of nostalgia. Dorms are nothing like home, but it is where many live for 3-4 years of their young adult lives.

College activities are geared toward those who live on campus, but what percentage of students actually live in the dorms?

How many students commute, work full-time, are older, are married or have children?

How do campus fees provide all those non-traditional students with services that best meet their needs as supported by the student fees?

Where do these students go during breaks? Where do they eat? A commuting student can only afford the cafeteria for so long.

How easy is it to use the library or computer labs and other facilities on campus?

All students make concessions in pursuit of higher education, a promotion or a better chance of higher paying jobs. Traditional students pay their fees for room and board and then have minimal concerns about expense.

However, Northwestern is primarily a commuter campus with a higher than average nontraditional population.

Northwestern's curriculum and placement in the state almost dictate the configuration that student population currently fits. Many students are Natchitoches community members coming back to school after discovering more education is necessary in order to advance in their field or that their current job field no longer meets their needs.

Instead of neglecting this faction of the student population in the administration's quest to gain a younger overall image, we should look to meet their needs with just as much fervor.

Nontraditional students are caught somewhere between college life, which is traditionally a whole new experience, and the real world in which someone has to worry about the basic needs of food, shelter, transportation, education, etc.

For traditional students, financial concerns are important, but they are on a widely different scale.

Northwestern has done some things to help nontraditional students. They expanded summer courses, for instance, allowing teachers who work during the school year to take classes during the summer break. Evening classes and classes at the satellite schools in surrounding communities have helped to ease the burden during the regular school year as well. Individuals can often get the administration to help them deal with scheduling and other problems, if the individual has the time and makes the effort to seek out that help.

Northwestern can still change even more to accomadate the needs of nontraditional students.

Affordable, on-campus child-care would be a great boon to young parents. Rather than have to pay for a full day's worth of day care, even students commuting from Alexandria and other distant places could lessen their expenses and get more time to spend with their children.

Weekend classes and more evening classes could also benefit nontraditional working students. Changing the scheduled times for core classes such as English 101 and Math 101, which are almost exclusively offered at 8 a.m., could help students who have to commute from an hour or more away.

Northwestern's logo is "Where the students come first," but many nontraditional students feel like they just get the leftovers. If Northwestern cares about equity, it should start working to make this large percentage of its student population happier.

# STUDENT MOM RESORTS TO JUGGLING ACT

## *Housework andhomework difficult for this nontraditional mother*

*CIRCUS ACT*

**HEATHER URENA**

Nontraditional students are defined by community health textbooks as college students over age 24. Most non-traditional students can't be singled out according to just this criteria. Nontraditional can mean commuting, marriage, parenthood, returning to school or attending school for the first time as an older adult--and can be any combination of these and many other mitigating or extenuating circumstances/lifestyles.

Traditional students are those moving from home to the dorm. They have a different kind of world. Campus life may be considered stressful, but being caught in limbo between college life and the "real" world is not exactly the easiest of transitions.

Being nontraditional is just living outside of the traditional chronological order of what you are "supposed" to do. Go to highschool, go to college, get a job, get married, have babies and live happily ever.

Well, some of us get things slightly out of order. I went from high school to dorm life as a traditional student, and by the time I was a sophomore I was married and pregnant. Then my husband and I decided to move to Monroe to continue with our education.

I went to school full-time, worked two part-time jobs and potty-trained my 2-year-old...and I was pregnant. I am now a senior with two children and a husband in paramedic school with both of us trying (somehow) to graduate by December. Thus, the happily ever after.

Just getting out of the house and into the car can be a balancing act--especially when you compromise sleep and proper nutrition/health and all those other politically and socially correct attitudes and activities just so you can spend some quality time with two toddlers whose entire ambition in life is to see how long they can be awake playing and squealing. This must be why they tend to take turns taking naps.

A normal day starts at 6:45 a.m.--when I oversleep. I jump through the shower and into my clothes. (I save doing my make-up and hair for the hour-long commute.) I wake Megan and Amanda, change their clothes, give them a quick breakfast with milk or juice (which ultimately gets spilled on to the floor of my "new" car) and usher them out of the door, with lunches, dolls, blankets, Barney tapes, extra clothes, the morning paper, my book bag and purse attatched to my shoulder and keys in hand. Most of the time it takes two or three trips just to make sure that we have everything, that the front door is locked and that evertyone is seatbelted.

Now that Amanda walks, she makes it halfway to the car without having to be held; that's before she decides to turn around and go play in the garden, a.k.a. mud. We race to take out the trash and try not to get hit by other amateur race car drivers. Then, we run every yellow light on Jackson Street as Megan, the precocious 3-year-old, explains to me that red means stop and green means go. The kids go to their classrooms and their teachers see me for all of five seconds as I turn and run (a pathetic sight) to my car to rejoin the race.

Commuting may get annoying, but it gives me a few minutes of solitude and planning and the challenge of maneuvering through the latest construction attempts and avoiding speeding tickets (I am not so good at the latter).

I get to class (late), and then run around trying to get everything done at *The Current Sauce*, financial aid and the cashier's office. Uh-oh, it's noontime. I jump in my car--reminding myself that I need to eat later when I get home--after racing back to pick up the girls on time. Nap time...for the girls, while I organize bills, do laundry and dishes, plan dinner and try to sit down for all of five minutes (ten if I am lucky).

I have no time to eat and no time to cook between playing referee, so I eat junk food. My 3-year-old daughter thinks that potato chips, cheese dip, pepperoni and burritos are a vital part of the daily nutritional requirements.

We're amazed when Megan eats anything--especially if it isn't junk--and utterly shocked if Amanda ever stops eating for more than five minutes at a time. After naptime, playtime, dinnertime, playtime, bathtime and playtime for the upteenth time, we fight about why they have to go to bed by 9 p.m., then we rock and read bed time stories--and they teach me songs from school.

Now I understand why mothers and experts on childcare say naptime and bedtime are "good things." Babies most resemble angels when they sleep. And that's when I get to do fun things like more laundry, picking up toys, arranging visits with the 50 different relatives on the four different sides of our "modern" extended family (who almost all live in the same zipcode). Then, I set the alarm, make lunches, attempt homework and collapse.

The joys of parenthood come before the requirements to graduate. Sleep is one of those things you can catch up on when you graduate--or die whichever comes first (sometimes I have to wonder). You can never relive the precious times that you may miss with your children.

I realize that my graduation and (eventual) gainful employment will be a better source of opportunity for the girls, but I am not willing to have our relationship and time together suffer. It's hard enough when I do compromise my time with them. I have had to learn to juggle my time and put on a good act of sanity and something resembling organization (just look at my planner and my bill book--but don't look in my car). Just like any other nontraditional student, circus clown or nontraditional mom.




# Too-powerful government takes away rights

*FROM THE FRONT*

**PETE MULDOON**



How would you feel if your parents were to die and you were to look through the will and see that instead of leaving you an inheritance of some sort they had left you an enormous debt? Suppose, upon questioning your lawyer, he was to tell you that your parents had secretly lived the high life, acting as though they were in the hunt for an appearance on "Lifestyles of the Rich and Famous"? If your lawyer was then to tell you that you were completely responsible for the repayment of these debts, you might begin to look into the possibility that you were switched at birth with some other infant.

It might be a good idea to explore these feelings a little further. Certainly it would be well to get in touch with the anger a person might feel in the event that this were to happen to them. It would be good to know how our children will probably feel about us.

Our national debt is now in the neighborhood of $4 trillion. $4,000,000,000,000. That's a lot of money. Who's going to pay it back?

We obviously have no plans to make restitution. Our esteemed Senator Bennett Johnston will probably be in a nursing home before any of it is paid back. We keep right on spending as if there were no tomorrow, as if the next generation can just wipe the slate clean and start over again.

They may have to.

On CNN a few days ago, Frank Sesno was questioning Sen. Robert Dole about how many people would be left without health insurance if the president's 100 percent guarantee was not realized. Mr. Sesno apparently had taken the position that government had a responsibility to ensure that all Americans had health insurance or coverage of some sort, and that there would have to be a good reason for them not to get it.

Apparently, this is increasingly becoming the mindset of many Americans, and it is sad. Not just about health care, but about all of our basic needs. Government should provide for those who don't provide for themselves. Not can't, but don't.

How easy it is to be charitable with someone else's money.

Liberals preach generosity and talk about how we all must be generous, since the '80s were the decade of greed. Yet Americans contributed (and by contribute I mean freely gave) far more to charity in that decade than in any other in the history of the United States.

But they don't really mean for us to be generous.

They mean they want us to sit down and shut up and let them decide what to do with our money. And not just our's, but our children's.

So what do we do? Nothing. Guaranteed health care sounds good because we are afraid. We are afraid of the responsibility that freedom requires. We cannot discipline ourselves to take care of our bodies, to take care of our finances, so we let government do it.

If guaranteed health care were a God-given right, I would accept it. I have no problem being reliant on God.

But I don't want to be reliant upon the government. Not for health care, not for housing, not for instruction, not for food.

This is not because it is shameful to accept public assistance. It is human nature; if someone gives, someone will take. Rather, it is because reliance destroys freedom.

If you were to take a lion cub from its mother at a very young age and keep it in a cage for 10 years, it would be helpless. It would have no chance of surviving in its natural environment.

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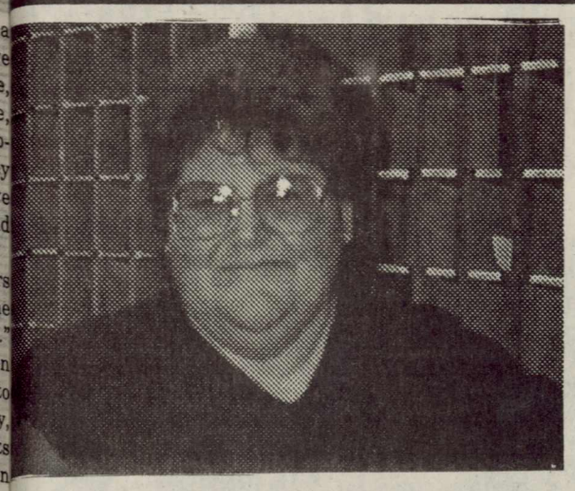
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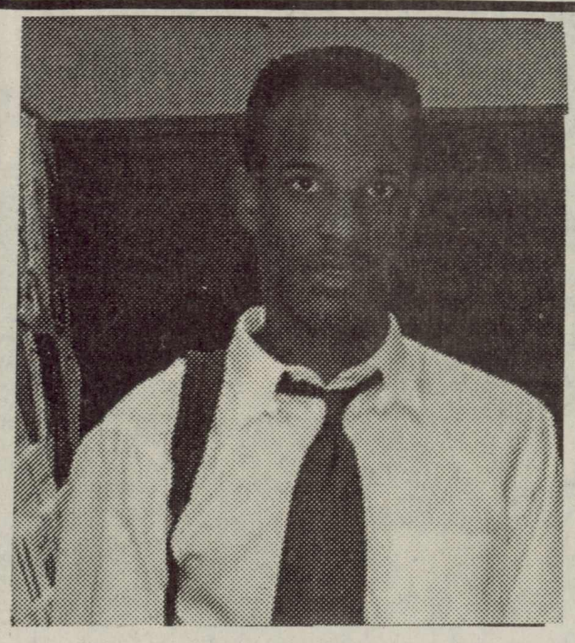
## Do you feel that NSU meets your needs as a Nontraditional Student?



**Maria Jones, Sr,**
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"Yes. The people at Northwestern have always been very helpful, and I've had some extreme circumstances in the times that I've been here. I really appreciate what's been done for me."

**Daniela Halliburton, GR,**
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"It's definitely hard to go to school and hold down a job at the same time. Parking is definitely a problem; because of the schedule I have to keep, I have to drive to school and I have to drive between the buildings because the schedule is so tight. The library hours could be a little later and [they could have] more weekend hours."





**Rodney Lain, GR,**
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"I don't have the foggiest idea because I don't know what they offer for nontraditional students."

**Betty Villar, GR, Folklore, Alexandria**
"Rarely, and when they do, ineffectively. The reason I say that is because I have been trying since I started graduate school to get a bibliography class in when I could take it, either after hours or in the summertime, because I do have to work because I like to eat! This never works out, so Northwestern has been quite un-user friendly for me."



# GREAT AND NOT-SO-GREAT MUSIC

## *Woodstock II, John Mellancamp, and new music*

*LOONEY TUNES*

**RICKY DARBONNE**



Hello brothers and sisters, I assume all of you hipsters have already made your plans to trek up north for the much awaited sequel: Woodstock II, Adventures in Money Making. Wasn't it bad enough the first time?

I don't understand why Americans insist on re-enacting previously filed events. Maybe the Confederates will eventually win the Civil War. Well, I suppose another Woodstock has its advantages such as make-your-own-flannel booths (replacing the now obsolete "tie dye") for the self-sufficient grunge-punk; and 24 hour MTV coverage so you can "turn on, tune in, and flop down" on your sofa that is). Time marches on and Que sera (and sundry other cliches). Well, back to the music.

This week I present many goodies, but first up is one of the few rockers whose name changes more than St. Petersburg (rivaled only by David Bowie's hair). Let's just call him John Mellencamp, since that's what he goes by on his new release: "Dance Naked."

For those familiar with Mellencamp's previous work you will find similar guitar and vocal production but the content has change a bit. Mellencamp, who was well know for his lyrics sympathetic to the conditions of the farmer and coalminer, proves himself equally suitable for love songs. As always, Mellencamp is no romantic; (no hush here) the songs have a nice bite and sting with commentary on rural life in hometown, USA. In "l.u.v." (with Lisa Germano on backing vocals) Mellencamp screeches: "Throw up, throw down/get yourself a better town/all these towns look the same/self pity, number one recreation/we're dying in the usa."

For those of you who liked "American Fool" you will love **Dance Naked**. Other suggested tracks: "When Margaret Comes to Town," and "Dance Naked." The album is available on Mercury Records and is out at better (and probably lesser) music stores.

As my service to avid music fans who usually shell out big bucks (only to discover that their band of choice has put out yet another awful album) I have compiled a list of great and not-so-great new music.

**Singles**

***Killing Joke***- "Millennium" The last Killing Joke side project was "Crush," which was a success in the college music world. This single is a little more guitar heavy than older things but still quality stuff. (*Album out: Aug. 2*)

***Deee-Lite***- "Picnic in the Park" Very funky, very danceable. I foresee much commercial activity for this one. In the immortal words of Dee-Lite: "It's a summer thang" (*Album Out: Aug. 2.*)

***Green Day***- "Basket Case" This band has exploited a truly bizarre genre: Pop-punk. Kind of like sugar-coated Ramones. It may seem strange to purists but these guys do it well.

***PWEI***- "RSVP" Short for Pop Will Eat Itself. Sometimes I think PWEI never changes. I guess it's a nice marketing scheme: Release the same music every couple of years and watch your profits soar.

**Live Re-released**

***Iggy Pop***- "TV Eye" (1977) This is a real jewel. Concert material taken from Chicago, Cleveland, and Kansas City in the spring and fall of 1977. This eight song disc has some of Iggy's best howling including "Funtime" and "Nightclubbing" sung with David Bowie.

***Leonard Cohen***- "Cohen Live" Taken from tours in Canada, Amesterdam, and Austin, Texas. Includes "Everybody Knows," "Who by Fire?" and "Suzanne."

**Compilations**

***Just Say Roe*** (Vol. 7 of Just Say Yes) If you can't figure out this one give it up. Artists include **David Byrne, Madonna, John Wesley Harding, Judybats, Ride, Bi-God 20**, and many more.

***Rarities*** (Vol. 1) All of your favorite pop-rock stars on one CD, can't beat it. Includes **Hole, Beck, Sonic Youth, the Sundays, Counting Crows** and the now defunct **Nirvana**.

**Things to Expect**

***Stone Roses***- "A Second Coming" (Aug. 2)

***Judybats***- "Full Empty (August 2)

***Public Enemy***- "Mack Of The Year (Aug. 9)

***Julian Cope***- "Disconnection" (Aug. 9)

***Danzig***- " Autogeddon" (Aug. 9)

## Connect! : Events & Opportunities

***The Current Sauce***
The Current Sauce is seeking writers and photographers for the third and fourth summer sessions. If interested, pick up an application in Rm. 225 Kyser or Rm.153 Kyser.

***The Demon 91.7 KNWD***
The Demon, NSU's student-run radio station, is seeking news reporters for the summer. For more infomation, call 357-4180 or stop by the station office in South Hall.

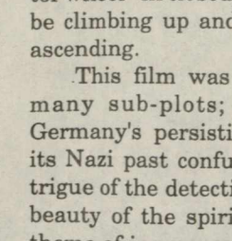
***NSU Post Office***
Beginning in the 1994 fall semester, NSU box rent will be $12 for the fall semster, $12 for the spring semester and $8 for the summer, or $32 for a complete year of box rental.

# ANGELIC UPSTARTS

## Columnist looks for meaning in German films

*BANANA NOTES*

**MADELYN BOUDREAUX**



I'm taking a break from my usual political ramblings this week because 1) everyone is saying O.J. *didn't* do it, so I don't want to go out on a limb again, 2) the judge found in favor of Shannon Faulkner, so it looks like gender equality is safe -- for now, and 3) I'm just not feeling my usual liberal angst this week. I got out and saw a couple of movies. I'm sure I'll be feeling guilty soon enough, so there's sure to be plenty of political diatribes in my future.

Wim Wenders is not a well-known director here, but he must have influence in his native Germany to have created the films *Wings of Desire* and *Faraway So Close!* Wenders is better known in the States as the director of *Until the End of the World*, a rambling, impressionistic detective-cum-science fiction work.

Filmed mostly in black-and-white, and using a lot of floating camera techniques that allow the viewer to see through the eyes of its main characters, two angels, *Wings of Desire* nods to both Fellini and Bergman; rather than being derivative, however, Wenders creates his own unique style in the course of the movies. *Faraway So Close!* is (relatively) more action oriented and humorous, and explores in more detail the angels' colorless world, and their relationship with time. Whereas the black-and-white to color changes in the first film seemed to be almost arbitrary, in the second film the viewer discovers that humans see in color while angels see only in light-and-dark. Their experiences, though tonally deep and rich, lack color and taste and smell.

*Wings of Desire*, and *Faraway So Close!* follow the existences of angels in Berlin, as they carry out their work watching and listening to humans, and occasionally bringing a bit of hope through their touch. No one can really see them, with a few exceptions (children occasionally look at them, and some people feel and smile at their presence) and the angels are privy to the thoughts of the humans they observe. They cannot act, however, cannot interfere with the lives of humans and can only help to guide their spirits after death.

Most of the *Wings of Desire* is an introspective look at the lives of the Berliners through the eyes of the angels, Damiel (Bruno Ganz) and Cassiel (Otto Sander). In their dark overcoats and pony-tails, they speak poetry about childhood and time, and meet to compare notes about the mortals. Their focus is particularly on three characters: a trapeze artist (Solveig Dommartin) whose circus is closing; an old man who survived the holocaust and Peter Falk as himself, in Berlin to make a detective movie set in WWII. Everyone is lonely and alienated, a fact uderscored by the angels' seeming distance from God and humans alike.

Damiel longs to become human, to drink coffee and take off his shoes, and to love the aerialist, Marion. After Peter Falk, whom we discover was an angel too, speaks to him, Damiel makes his decision. In a beautiful scene, he tells Cassiel he will become human; Cassiel seems doubting, and glances behind them - and is stunned to see a single pair of footsteps behind them.

Damiel finds Marion, and she recognizes that she has been looking for him. Cassiel, atop the Grosser Stern, a huge brass angel in West Berlin, continues to watch.

*Faraway So Close!* while faster and more entertaining, is the lesser of the two films. The symbolism is more heavy-handed. Damiel and Marion are married and have a child; Cassiel has a new "partner," Raphaela (Nastassja Kinski!) and a growing desire to become human. Peter Falk is back in Berlin, exhibiting his black-and-white sketches in a museum, and Willem Dafoe appears as Emit Flesti, an obvious Lucifer character who can speak with both the angels and humans, and who torments Cassiel. Oh, and Mikhail Gorbachev appears in a cameo that, as one reviewer said "could have been written by his own public relations firm.'"

Cassiel becomes human almost accidentally, when his desire to save a child who has fallen from a building overrides his ability to simply watch and mourn her death. His goodness, however, is sorely tested; while Damiel seemed destined to be a successful human, Cassiel blunders through his inexperience. He is arrested and rescued by Damiel, but he wants to make his own life, and ends up working for a gangster.

In an attempt to do good, he enlists the circus performers who work with Marion to steal a cache of guns from the gangster. Peter Falk is at his funniest as he successfully diverts the attention of two guards by explaining that he is filming an episode of Columbo in their security office. Then, in a rather oblique plot-twist, the trapezes artists are captured, and Flesti and Cassiel must rescue them.

Flesti redeems himself, helping to rescue the entertainers, and we glimpse his awesome, but often misspent, power. In a final scene, we see him spinning a huge generator wheel - in closeup, he appears to be climbing up and up, but never ascending.

This film was flawed by too many sub-plots; the hints at Germany's persisting racism and its Nazi past confuse both the intrigue of the detective plot and the beauty of the spiritual one. The theme of innocence (and paradise) lost is universal, however, and the film is definitely worth seeing.

The two films work partially because their spirituality is somewhat generic. The angels, who remind us that they are the messengers but not the message, while firmly within a Christian tradition, are neither saccharine nor beatific. They seem to exist through the presence of God, but the film is not about Christianity, nor is it derogatory to it. Rather than alienate some of its viewers, the films are reaffirming for Christian and heathen alike.

# PETE: Debt, Taxes, and Healthcare

The natural environment for humans is freedom. But the more and more we give our freedoms up the less we know what to do with them.

We are giving away our liberties, our freedoms, those very freedoms that countless Americans have fought and died for over the last 200 years.

We must oppose every effort by the government to gain more control over us.

You will be told it's necessary. It won't be. You will be told its only money. Money is power, and the government is taking that power from you. You will be told that it's a right. Rights are few and precious. The government will try to cheapen yours by creating others. These rights will always entail government having more control over your life.

You will be told that we all have to work together. Unfortunately, the government has placed itself in direct opposition to our freedom and our pursuit of happiness.

Every time we let government take on a new project, or spend money, or make laws, whether it's health care or workplace inspections or minimum wage or public schools or federal criminal codes, we give away some of our freedom.

Sometimes we have to give freedom away. We have given the government the power to punish us for murdering each other; in return, we have lost the freedom to do so.

But now look at what we are doing. We are giving the government the power to set minimum wage; so we lose the freedom to set our own rates of pay.

We have given the government the power to educate our children; we have lost the freedom to do so. Where has this gotten us?

We now are ready to give the government the power to control our own health; we will lose the second most important freedom we have; the freedom to maintain our own bodies. There is but one higher freedom: the freedom to think for ourselves. While this is the greatest freedom of all, it seems to be the least exercised. When we give government this power, and forfeit this freedom, we will indeed become slaves.

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## DEGREE: *Continued from front page*

"We are very pleased with program," Webb said. "One thing it does that you don't see very often, is that we have an agreement set up whereby students may be enrolled both at Northwestern and LSUA and rather [than] being challenged for financial aid through only one institution, students can get the maximum benefit from being enrolled in both institutions."

Northwestern and LSUA are not strangers to each other. The two institutions have worked together in nursing. Nursing students would attend the first two years at LSUA and complete the last two years of the baccalaureate nursing requirements at Northwestern's Alexandria campus.

"We have a very close working relationship with LSUA," Webb said. "What we do is take courses of the first two years of their program, add them on the courses on our curriculum, and we create a nice articulation of LSUA courses into Northwestern courses."

Classes are held at both England Airpark and LSUA. According to Webb, Northwestern will not have to hire many new professors. "We are trying to use our regular full-time faculty, because we want these students exposed to the best opportunities we can make available to them," he said.

Webb and Cavanaugh conducted a survey on LSUA's campus in March to see in what other Northwestern baccalaureate degrees the students were interested. The results showed from the 802 students that responded, medical technology circulated the most interest.

"I can't say what we will be able to offer and what we aren't," Webb said. "But you can see at least what we are trying to do is to explore all the top-rated programs. Webb said the survey will be used to know what degrees will be offered next in Alexandria and they are in the process of approving other programs which could be available in the spring.

"We feel Northwestern should have a strong presence at Alexandria. We have a strong working relationship with LSUA."

# Dormitories receive needed renovations during summer



**Russell Hall, home of Louisiana Scholars' College, will be the site of renovations done throughout the year.**

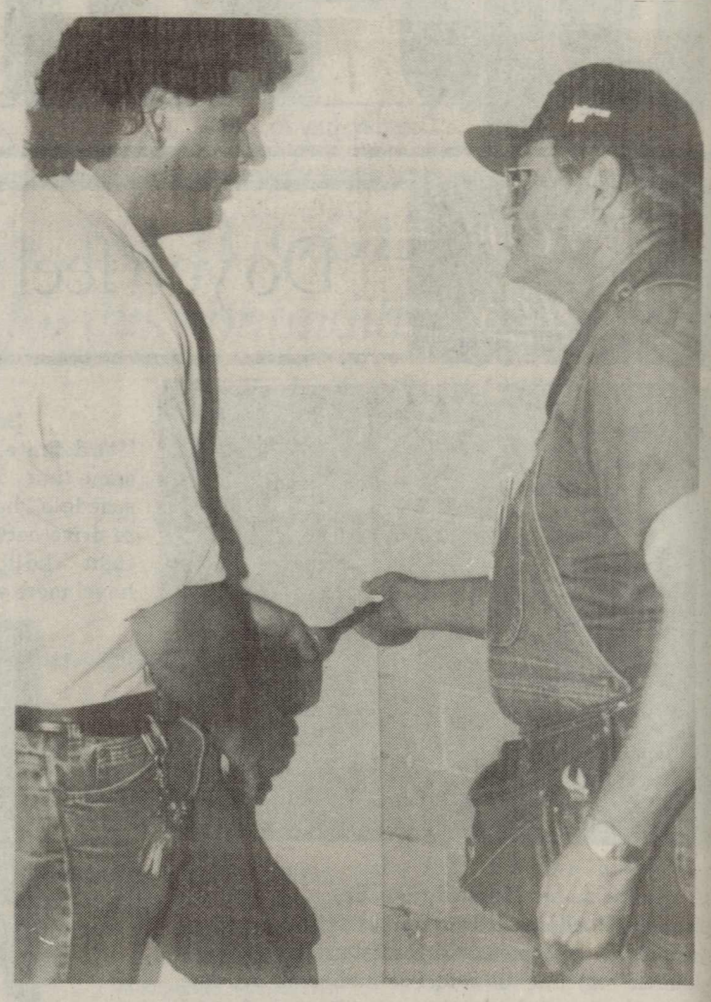
While living in Bossier Hall instead of Dodd Hall for the summer was a nightmare for some Northwestern students, the sacrifice may prove to be worthwhile in the end. Since May, construction began to renovate the interior of Dodd and Caspari halls.

In the past, women were placed in Dodd Hall for the summer, but according to Fred Fulton, dean of student life, the building needed extensive work. At the end of the spring semester construction workers began to busily paint the rooms and renovate the bathrooms.

In the south end of Dodd Hall, the bathroom walls are being replaced and the doors widened to meet with ADA (American Disabled Act) requirements. Also, out-of-date air conditioning and heating units are being replaced with newer ones.

The men were originally planned to stay in Caspari for the summer, but increased summer enrollment forced the housing department to relocate the men to the west end of Rapides Hall, according to Fulton. Now, painting is also being completed in Caspari.

Construction is still in progress, but Fulton hopes to have everything completed before students return in the fall.



**Juddy Hamous (left) and Woody Woods make repairs in Dodd Hall.**

## WELCOME: *SAB plans to make fall interesting semester,*

*continued from page 3*

is underwriten by student association fees, which full-time students pay along with tuition and other costs.

"Students pay for this. You pay $10 for this," Jones said. "It's really, *really* a cheap price by all you get out of it."

Jones said Welcome Week is used as an introduction to and reminder of all the activities and events available all year long.

Many events have already been planned but not booked because the SAB is trying to book current, popular performers and movies for the coming year.

"We've waited so late to book the movies because we are trying to get the latest releases," Jones said.

Some changes students can expect for the coming year include alternative times for movie showings, a member and monthly newsletter dedicated to public relations/advertising and Thursday night live in The Alley.

To appeal to more students and non-traditional students, in addition to the 7 p.m. Tuesday movie showing, other showings will be at noon on Wednesdays and at 2 p.m. on Thursdays.

Brian Hirst holds the new SAB position for public relations/advertising and will distribute a monthly update on student activities. The update will be located in the dorms, available to all interested students.

## BUDGET: *Continued from front page*

cording to Loran Lindsey, director of the Northwestern Physical Plant which is in charge of the renovations, $2,630,000 is allocated to the Russell Hall renovations.

Federal funding will pay for renovations to the Womens' Gymnasium and West Caspari Hall, both of which will be used for The National Center for Preservation Technology and Training to be based at Northwestern, according to Pierce.

According to a July 17 article in *The Natchitoches Times*, The Louisiana School for Math, Science and the Arts received $400,000 in funding and an additional $500,000.

The University is not the only beneficiary of monetary grants. According to *The Natchitoches Times*, Natchitoches Parish will receive money from the state budget for several local companies and $480,000 for rural road maintenance.

The article also said projects such as the four-laning of Keyser Avenue, work on the Keyser Avenue bridge and widening of Highway 1 South in the business district of Natchitoches were also on the capital outlay budget, however, none of these projects have been finalized.

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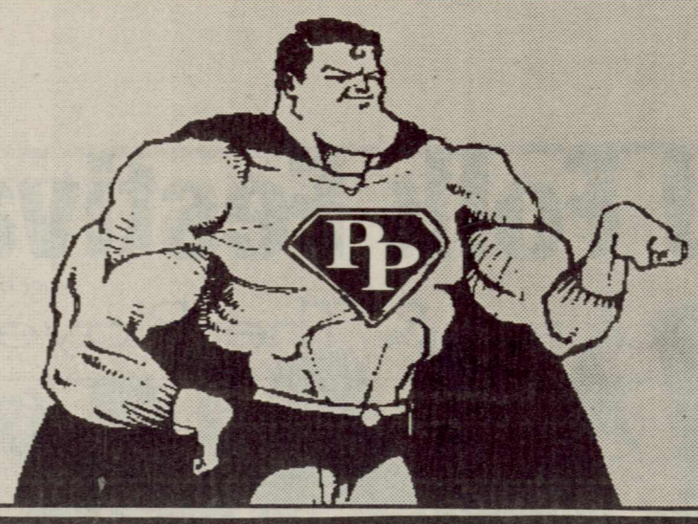
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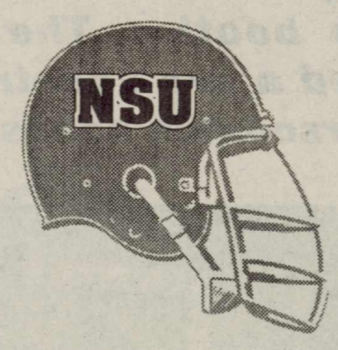
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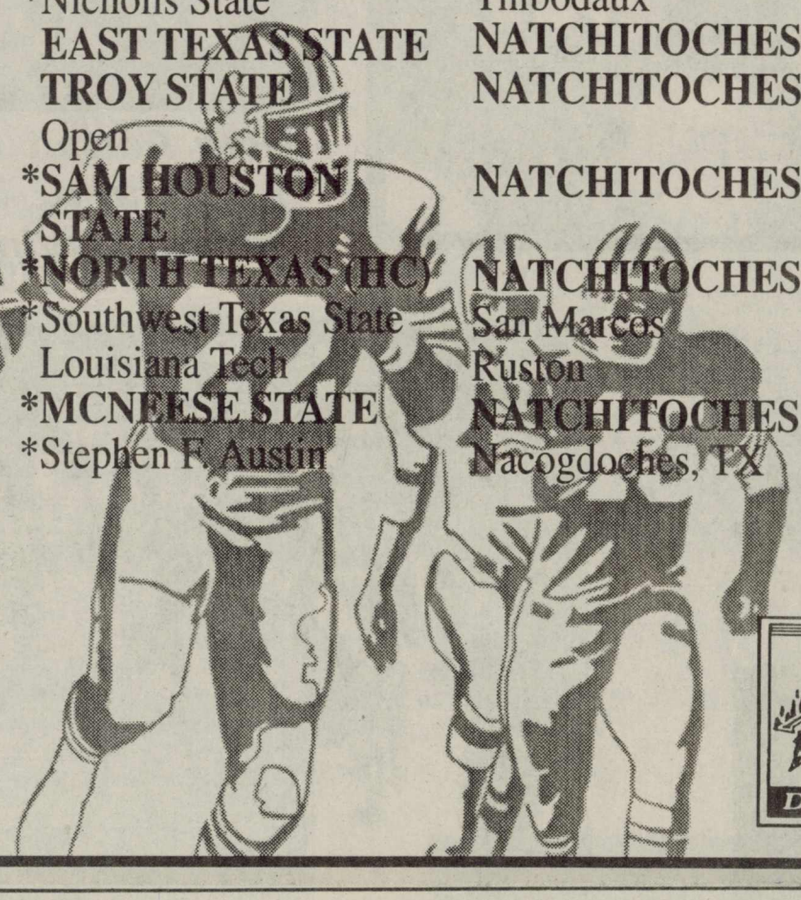
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| Sept. 17 | *Nicholls State | Thibodaux | 7:00 |
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| Oct. 22 | *NORTH TEXAS (HC) | NATCHITOCHES | 2:00 |
| Oct. 29 | *Southwest Texas State | San Marcos | 3:00 |
| Nov. 5 | Louisiana Tech | Ruston | 6:00 |
| Nov. 12 | *MCNEESE STATE | NATCHITOCHES | 2:00 |
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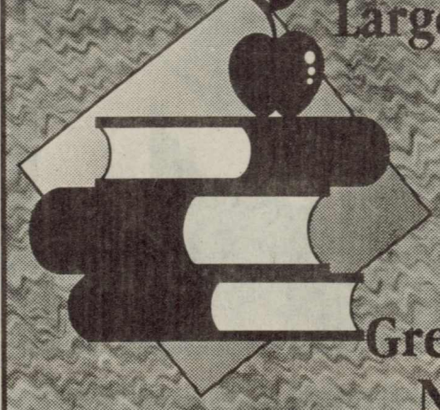


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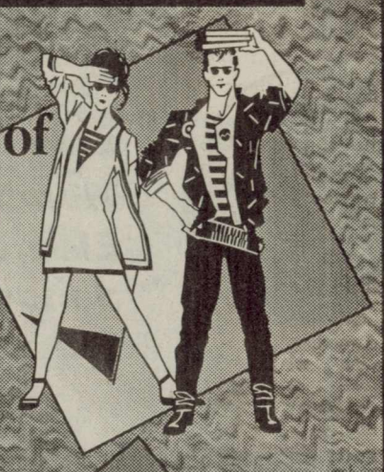

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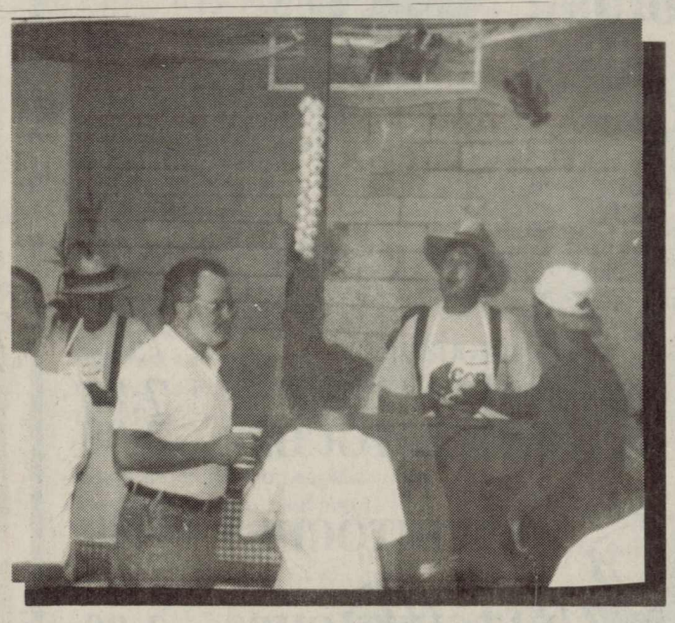
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## Louisiana Toys and Games: The Makers & The Players



***Members of the Opelousas Park Vista Elementary School's French Acadian dance and singing group perform on Sunday morning.***

***Con Agra's award winning Gumbo booth. The booth included a live country band and personable cooks.***





***Roy Parfait of Dulac, Louisiana, carves a wooden animal.***



***Lena Allbritton of the Los Adaes Foundation works on a quilt.***

***A trumpet player from Shreveport's Dixieland Jazz Express performs a rag-time favorite.***

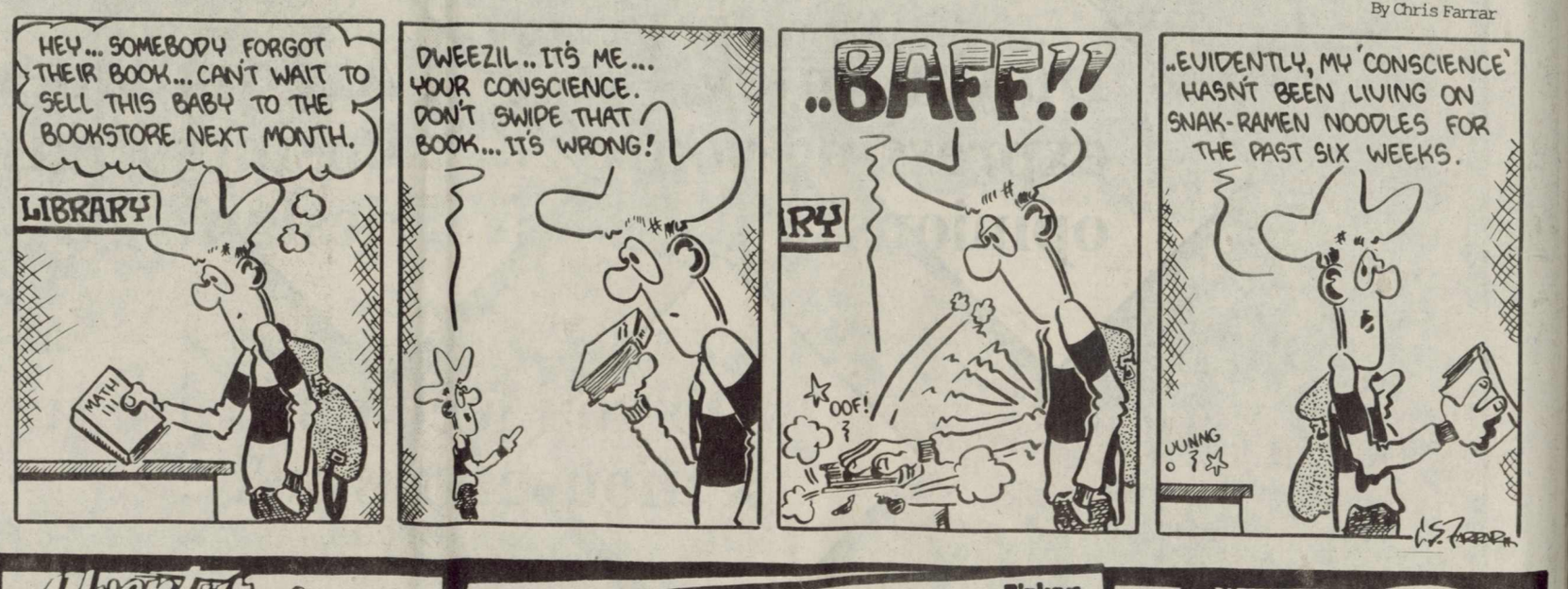




***Rand and Cynthia Speyrer teach the steps of a Cajun dance to a large crowd of eager students. The Speyrers are well known for their enjoyable lessons and entertaining dance style.***

COLLEGE LIFE

By Chris Farrar



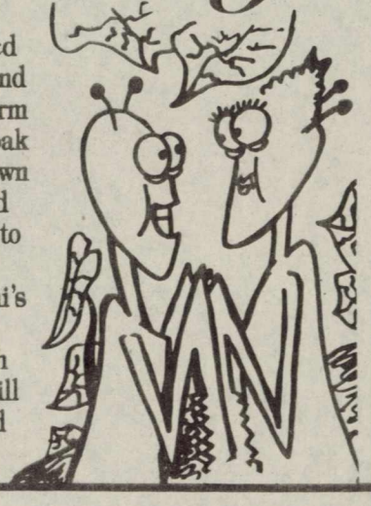

## Wild Kingdom

By Anthony Rubino, Jr.

"My boyfriend and I broke up. He wanted to get married, and I didn't want him to."—*Rita Rudner*

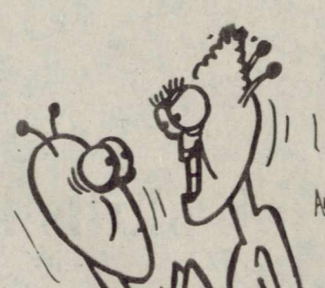
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### A Love Story



Once upon a time, there lived two praying mantises: Morris and Mimi Mantis. They met one warm day on a branch high up in an oak tree and were immediately drawn to each other. After a long and happy courtship they decided to mate. When they were done Morris gazed lovingly into Mimi's eyes. This was the happiest moment of his young life. "Oh Mimi!", he cooed, "Soon we will be blessed with beautiful and precious little children!"

She returned his gaze and smiled. "What do ya mean *'we'*?!" said Mimi. Then she ate him.



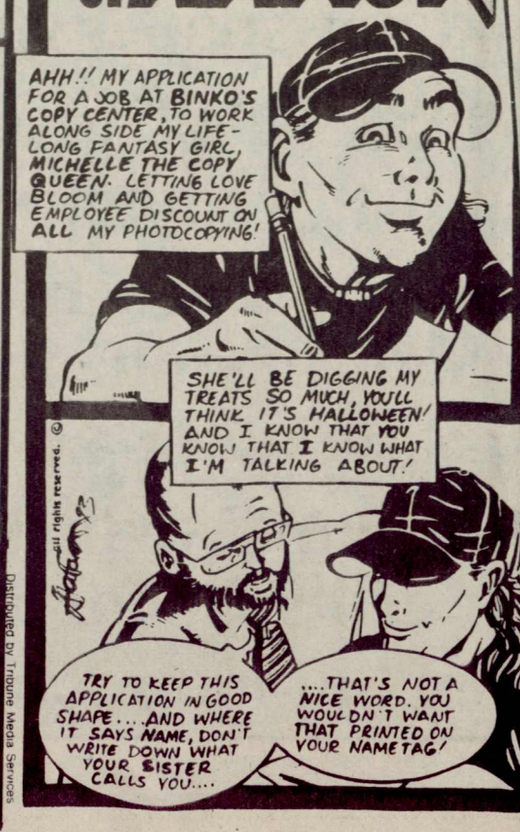
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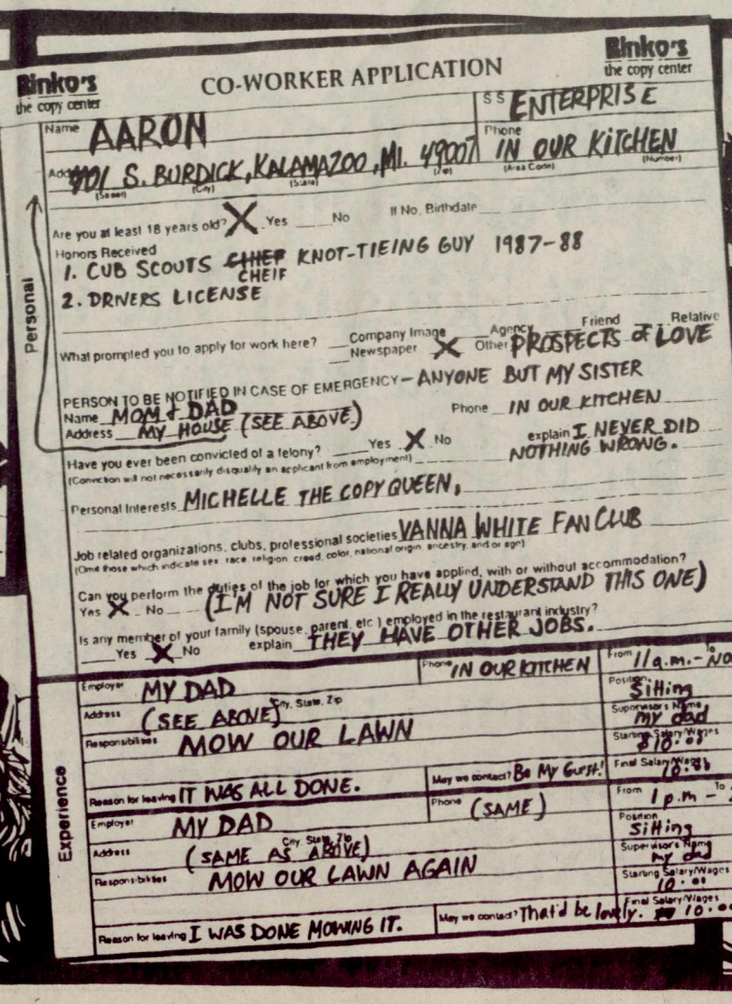
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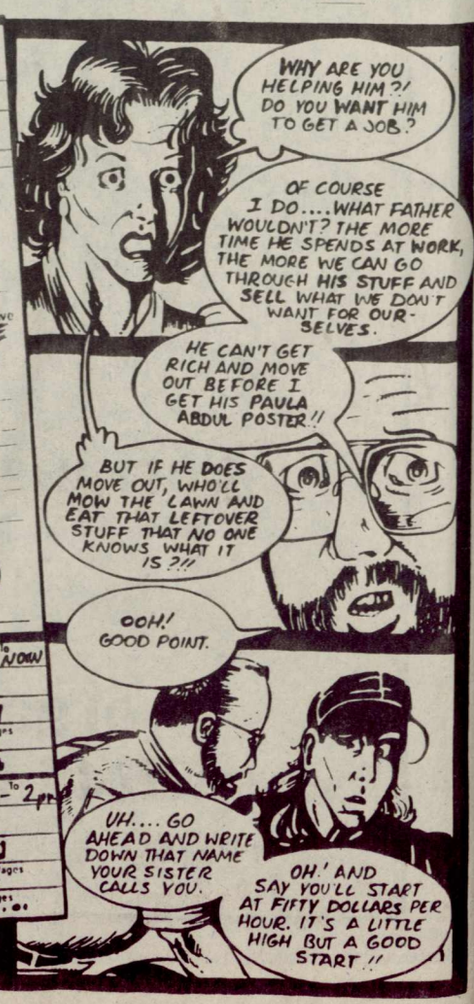
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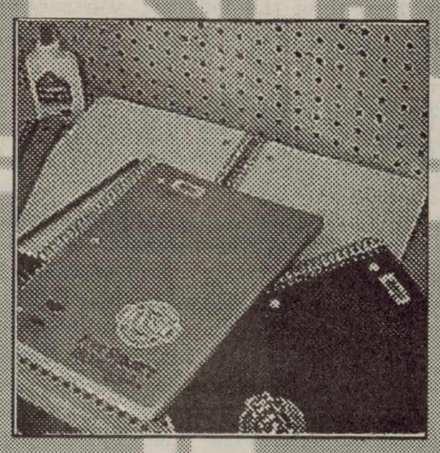
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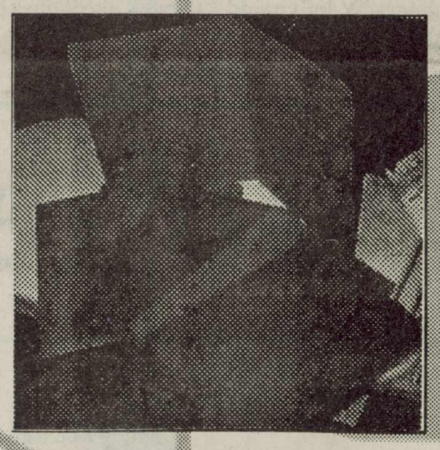
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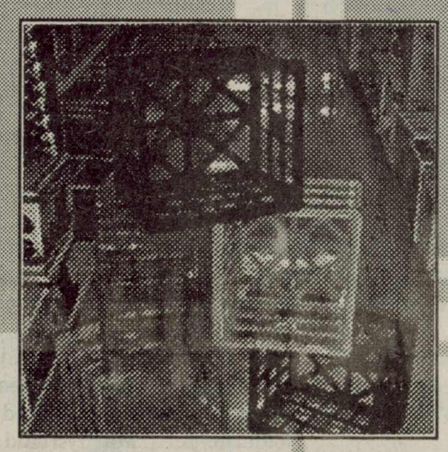

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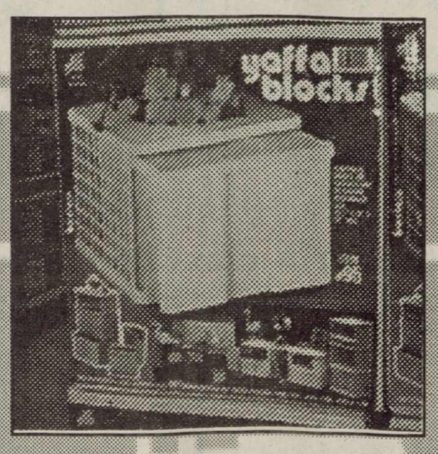

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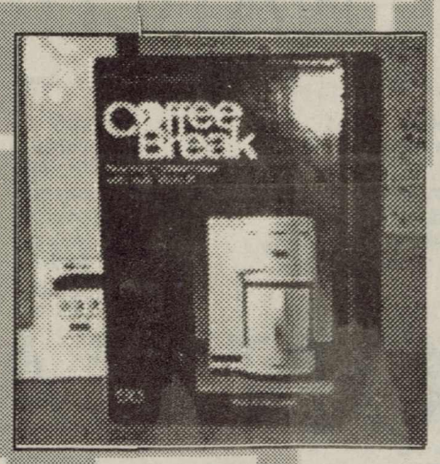
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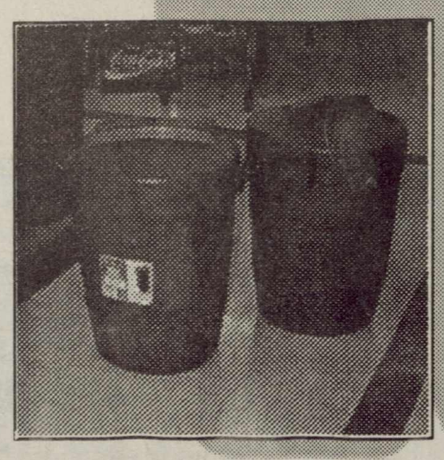
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# R.C. takes over vending rights from Coca-Cola

BRIDGETTE MORVANT
*The Current Sauce*

The dog days of summer are a time when many seek to quench their thirst with cold soft drinks and recently thirsty students may have noticed new beverage vending machines in use on campus.

Northwestern has recently switched beverage vending machines on campus from the Coca Cola brand to the R.C. Cola brand. According to Fred Fulton, dean of students, the University bids out the beverage vending machines every three years.

This year, the companies distributing the Coca Cola machines and the R.C. Cola machines put out the same priced bid to serve Northwestern, according to Fulton. However, Northwestern chose J & J Distributors which distributes the R.C. Cola machines. "We felt they'd be more responsive to our needs," Fulton said.

The R.C. Cola machines do not carry all of the same beverages the Coca Cola machines carried in the past. However, if students would like the machines to be stocked with additional beverages, they may call or write Fulton at his office. Fulton said he would relay the requests to J & J Distributors.

The company chooses its beverages based on sales and demand. According to Fulton, if students express a high demand for a certain beverage, the company will probably test the beverage by vending it in a few machines around campus. If the sales are high in these tests, the company may permanently increase its sale of that beverage.

Fulton said the University requires its beverage machine companies to provide Coca Cola and diet cola because they are in such high demand by students. The R.C. Cola company will vend beverages which it does not produce, such as Dr. Pepper and Coca Cola which are currently offered, Fulton said.



R.C. beverage machines have already replaced the Coca-Cola machines in Kyser Hall

# Goals 2000 grant could earn La schools more than $16 million

The State of Louisiana will receive a $2 million grant this year and another $14 million in 1995 if it continues to respond to the "Goals 2000: Educate America Act," Gov. Edwin Edwards learned.

Louisiana will receive $2,014,752 to support state and local plans to address the act signed last March by President Clinton. Edwards said he believes the initiative can change the lives of our students for generations to come.

An announcement of the federal grant by Sally Cain, representing U.S. Education Secretary Richard Riley, came during a news conference at the state Capitol where the governor and Dr. Ray Arveson, state education superintendent, announced appointment of a bipartisan commission to develop an action plan.

"Louisiana has an opportunity to write and implement a statewide education plan for the next century," Edwards said. "We should take advantage of the monetary and technical support from the federal government to build on efforts already underway in our schools and communities."

Forty percent of the federal grant, $775,222, will be used in this fiscal year to develop the state's vision/action plan for education and to administer Goals 2000 activities. The remaining $1,162,833 will be awarded as competitive, local subgrants for development and/or implementation of local improvement plans, professional development and pre-service teacher training.

Ian Arnof, president and CEO of First Commerce Corporation of New Orleans, will serve as commission chairman.

The eight national goals are as follows:

1. All children in America will start school ready to learn.

2. The high school graduation rate will increase to at least 90 percent.

3. All students will leave grades four, eight and 12 having demonstrated competency over challenging subject matter including English, mathematics, science, foreign languages, civics and government, economics, arts, history and geography.

And every school in America will ensure that all students learn to use their minds well, so they may be prepared for responsible citizensh further learning and producti employment in our nation's mode economy.

4. The nation's teaching fo will have access to programs for t continued improvement of th professional skills and t opportunity to acquire the knowled and skills needed to instruct a prepare all American students the next century.

5. United States students w be first in the world in mathemat and science achievement.

6. Every adult American will literate and will possess t knowledge and skills necessary compete in a global economy a exercise the rights a responsibilities of citizenship.

7. Every school in the Unit States will be free of drugs, violen and the unauthorized presence firearms and alcohol and will offe disciplined environment conduci to learning.

8. Every school will promo partnership that will increa parental involvement a participation in promoting the soci emotional and academic growth children.

# Camp Discovery proves beneficial to Elderhostel participants

Northwestern's Space Science Group decided Camp Discovery was more than kid stuff. Not only could students in grades four through eight go on a journey through space, but they could take their grandparents with them.

Each year Camp Discovery: An Adventure in Space Science provides students with hands-on experience in the practice of scientific investigation with an orientation toward space science.

This year's camp was divided into six sessions for different ages and experience levels.

The Elderhostel camp is the session in which a student is able to bring along one or both of their grandparents. Each camp offers classes that prepare the students for an actual mission on the moon.

"The mission is the main part of the camp and the classes relate to the mission in some way," said Mike Hawkins, outreach coordinator with the Space Science Group. "They build model rockets in which rocket launch is obviously part of the mission. They work with robotics and in the mission they use a robotic vehicle to go out on the moon's surface.

"So each of the classes they take relates to the activities they do during the mission."

Hawkins is pleased with the response Camp Discovery has received with the Elderhostel session.

"I think our first year with this camp went very well," Hawkins said. "The people who participated were very complimentary of how it was organized and of the quality of the staff. Everyone said they would recommend it to their friends."

Rudolph (Rudy) and Marilyn Kamishke thoroughly enjoyed the chance to participate in the Elderhostel camp with their grandson Brian Rogluski.

Both the Kamishkes are retired math teachers while their grandson is a seventh grader who does "pretty good in math."

"We've been going to Elderhostel programs for about 10 years now. We have actually attended over 30 Elderhostels," Marilyn said. "This is our first inter-generational one. It has been great. They have done a marvelous job giving the younger people new ideas."

"They've had lots of different activities," Rudy said. "Every morning we've had four different classes and the afternoon is filled the same way."

Rogluski agrees with his grandparents. "I've had a lot of fun," he said. "The classes are interesting. It's not like regular school classes. We had a press conference one night and then shot off rockets the next."

Rogluski and the Kamishkes felt Northwestern provided a very complete Elderhostel camp. "We're pleased with the way they treated the youngsters," Marilyn said. "They allowed them to be an intricate part of what went on."

"I was the commander of the mission on the moon and B.J. (Brian) was the pilot," Rudy said. "When we were not piloting the ship, we collected rock samples from the moon's surface. We are definitely planning on doing other inter-generational camps. We really like being involved with our grandchildren in a constructive way."

The Kamishkes are from Michigan while Rogluski is from Wisconsin.

However, Louisiana weather is not so new to them. "In the summer, it gets very warm and very humid like it does here," Marilyn said. "But you all live in the air conditioning. We rarely turn ours on, only when gets real stuffy."

Aside from enjoying t Elderhostel camp, the Kamishk thought a lot of Northwestern a Natchitoches also. "The town is j adorable and the campus beautiful," Marilyn said. "We t the historical tour and the ent camp went to the Folk Festival."

The Space Science Group pla to offer the Elderhostel session Camp Discovery again. "We a happy with the progress that we made," Hawkins said.

"We think it's going to contin to grow in the future and we w especially happy that there were many people from different stat who attended this camp."

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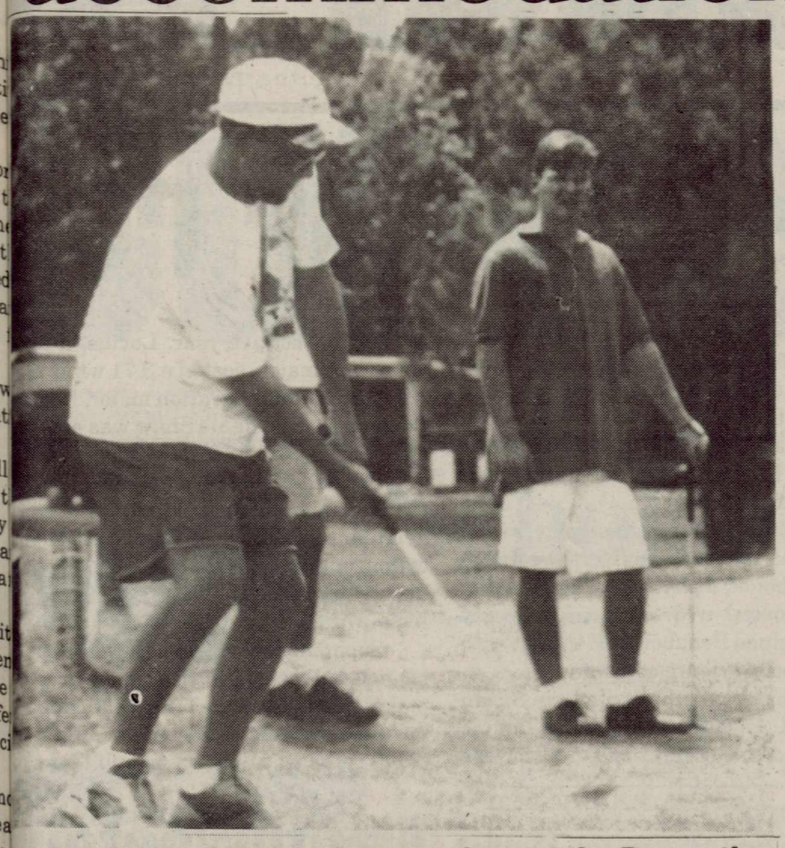
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According to Dwayne Jones, Student Activities Board president, the Rec Complex offers more than meets the eye.

"The complex offers water aerobics, swimming lessons and tennis courts, which more people should try to utilize," Jones said.

Cari Pequet, SAB Representative-at-Large, relaxes at the Complex to get away from the responsibilities of being a student.

"The Complex is a great place to hang out, lay out and gossip," she said. "It's just fun."

All Natchitoches campus students taking five hours or more are entitled to use the Complex simply by presenting their Northwestern identification card and, if playing golf, paying a small greens fee. Non-university individuals may use the Complex by paying a daily fee or purchasing a membership.

Many activities are programmed at the Complex throughout the year. Student groups may reserve the clubhouse by contacting the Office of Student Activities and Organizations.

# Injury causes Carter to miss two meets

ERIC METOYER
*The Current Sauce*

Those who follow the Northwestern track and field team may be wondering why Lamark Carter has not been in recent news. The former Demon All-American triple jumper may have an explanation.

Carter, who placed fourth at his last track competition (The Mobil Championship in Knoxville, Tenn.), strained his left hamstring after competing in the long-jump. The strain caused a two-meet absence for Carter.

The injured Carter has not been immobilized. The jumper has been undergoing rehabilitation in Houston.

"I've been jogging and stretching," Carter said. "I've done some pool work and some work with the weights. It's [the hamstring] working now."

A ranking of fourth in the United States has Carter eager to return to the triple jump runway.

"My confidence was boosted when I found I was ranked fourth behind Mike Conley, Kenny Harrison and Reggie Jones," Carter said. "Now, I can't wait to get back out there."

According to Carter, this injury will not affect his jumping in his next competition.

"My next meet will be on Aug. 5, in Canada," Carter said. While in Canada, Carter expects to jump at his personal best. "I'm looking to get a P.R. (personal record) in Canada," Carter said. "My hamstring is feeling a little tight, but it should be better before August."

The hamstring strain is not a serious set-back, and it won't affect Carter's initial goals.

"I hope to compete in the 1996 Olympics," Carter said. "Being ranked fourth has boosted my confidence towards that goal. The strain just came at a bad time. . . it won't affect anything."

# Northwestern karate school competitors place first in World Championship team fighting

JANE BALDWIN
*The Current Sauce*

Two Natchitoches residents from Northwestern's Kenpo Karate School participated in the World Kenpo Karate Championships in New Orleans Saturday.

Katie Gilcrease, 16, and 8-year-old Jason Rolands competed with hundreds of other Kenpo Karate students in the tournament. Gilcrease was also part of a three-member team from Coushatta that placed first at the World Championships in team fighting.

During the World Kenpo Karate Championship, Gilcrease recieved recognition from the United States Karate Alliance. Gilcrease placed first in the state for kumite (fighting) and second place for empty-hand kata. In the nation, she placed fourth in novice women for kumite and kata.

Gilcrease also placed with three others in the 14th annual Shaolin Classic Tournament in Shreveport on June 25. Gilcrease won first place in kata and second place in kumite in the brown women's division. Lona Frazier placed second in kumite in the colored belt women's division and John Tyree won second in kumite and third in kata in the men's beginners division.

Gilcrease in not a newcomer to competition. She has been learning Kenpo Karate since the young age of seven. Last year, she was No. 1 in the nation in junior women's kumite division.

According to Sensei Roy Adams, instructor at Northwestern's Kenpo Karate School, Gilcrease and Tyree placed in kata which is a "form or pattern a karate student does." The form is memorized and performed alone in front of the judges. The contestant may choose to use a variety of punches, kicks or use various weapons. Some of the weapons used are kaias, long sticks; bos, sticks up to 6 ft. long with a sharp blade on the end; or swords.

Kumite involves two opponents in a ring sparring or fighting.

Three judges and a referee determine the winner by the number of points the opponents gain by hitting their opponent on the side or back of the head, kidney or stomach area.

Amazingly enough, Adams said Kenpo Karate is not very dangerous. They are required to wear head gear, gloves, feet pads and may choose additional protection such as shin guards and chest pads.

"We've been very lucky that no one has been hurt in a tournament," Adams said.

According to Adams, many different divisions of karate specialize in a certain area. Kenpo Karate is based on "hand techniques or fast hands." Other forms of karate may focus on kicks or a combination of the two forms.

The full name of the martial art Adams teaches is Kajukenfu Kenpo. Shihan Harold R. Laranang Sr. originated this form of karate in December, 1970.


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| 4 | $390.00 | $0.00 | $0.00 | $390.00 |
| 5 | $458.75 | $0.00 | $35.25 | $494.00 |
| 6 | $527.50 | $0.00 | $35.25 | $562.75 |
| 7 | $596.25 | $0.00 | $35.25 | $631.50 |
| 8 | $665.00 | $0.00 | $35.25 | $700.25 |
| 9 | $733.75 | $0.00 | $35.25 | $769.00 |
| 10 | $802.50 | $0.00 | $35.25 | $837.75 |
| 11 | $871.25 | $0.00 | $35.25 | $906.50 |
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Karate students do well in championship tournament, page 11

# Sports

Tuesday, July 26, 1994

# 30 student athletes named to honor roll

Thirty Northwestern student athletes have been named to the 1994 Southland Conference Spring Academic Honor Roll, the second-highest total among league schools.

Student athletes posting at least a 3.0 grade point average during the fall or maintaining at least a 3.0 cumulative average during their career at their respective schools are named to the honor roll.

The honor list included 15 Demons (seven in baseball, three in golf and track and two in basketball) and 15 Lady Demons (four in tennis, track and softball and three in basketball).

Junior Jimmy Frederick was the top Northwestern honoree and one of nine athletes in the SLC to post a 4.0 grade point average in the fall. A pole vaulter on the track and field team, Frederick is majoring in journalism.

Additional Demon tracksters named were senior anthropology major Derek Dieterich (3.49) and senior social work major Michael Greer (3.14).

Northwestern women's Demon track and field athletes honored were senior accounting major Judy Norris (3.61) and juniors Karen Current (3.43 in psychology), Carla Davison (3.09 in liberal arts) and Maryalyce Walsh (3.86 in liberal arts).

Junior tennis standout Emily Nichols led all Northwestern women athletes with a 3.88 in journalism.

Other members of the 1994 SLC Championship tennis team named were Christina Dodge, a sophomore biology major (3.77), sophomore psychology major Natalie Opoku (3.38) and junior business administration major Natalie Roziers (3.16).

Northwestern's conference championship and NCAA Tournament baseball team led all Demon and Northwestern women's athletes on the honor roll.

Freshman general studies major Corey Bond headed the list of baseball players with a 3.66. Others making the list were senior chemistry major Chris Evans (3.42), junior business administration major Terry Joseph (3.36), senior physical education major Daniel Tomlin (3.27), senior journalism major Reggie Gatewood (3.10), senior business administration major Matt Machen (3.10) and senior chemistry major Scotty Stafford (3.03).

The only senior basketball player to be named to the honor roll was Northwestern's Tony Beaubouef, a physical education major who posted a 3.48. Junior Kenny McMillon joined Beaubouef on the list with a 3.25 in social science education.

Women's basketball players Susan Baxter and Angela Lucius, both juniors, were named to the fall honor roll for the second consecutive year. Lucius, a physic education major, posted a 3.71 while Baxte a business administration major, had a 3.3 Sophomore Stephanie Shaw was also nam after posting a 3.03 in physical education.

Softball players who received SLC ho ors are junior business administration maj Jennifer Jannak (3.64), senior physical ed cation major Julie Coert (3.18), sophomo biology major Sonia Jones (3.12) and juni social work major Kristi Parcel (3.00).

Sophomore business administration m jor Jason Myatt (3.48), sophomore accounti major Jason Van Rensburg (3.36) and seni business administration major Bill Campi (3.03) represent the Demon golf team.

# Smith elected to Hall of Fame

## *Former Northwestern player to be inducted on July 30*

ERIC METOYER
*The Current Sauce*

Former Northwestern football/track athlete, Jackie Larue Smith will soon take a seat as one of the greatest players in football history.

Smith, who left Northwestern in 1963 and became one of the greatest tight ends in the National Football League, will be inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame on July 30.

In 1978 Smith retired after completing 15 years as the most productive tight end in NFL history. He retired, though, without ever seeing a play-off game. The tight end was a great player on some not-so-great teams.

A half-year later, after being called out of retirement by the Dallas Cowboys, Smith discovered not only postseason, but was the center of attention in Super Bowl XIII. Smith had center stage for an incompletion that many fans would like to forget. A third quarter toss from Roger Staubach was thrown slightly low and behind Smith, wide open and running a drag pattern across the middle of the end zone. Smith, while trying to get down with the low thrown ball, lost his footing and the pass glanced off his shoulder pads. Sadly, this 35-31 Cowboys loss to Pittsburgh is why many fans would recall the name Jackie Larue Smith.

The Hall of Fame, however, remembers much more. Smith accomplished catching 480 passes for 7,910 yards and scored 43 touchdowns in his professional career. He played in five straight Pro Bowls from 1967-71 and in 210 career games through 16 seasons.

Smith is also regarded as the player who brought the tight end position out of the Stone Age and into the pro football spotlight. Before Smith's arrival, tight ends were one-dimensional blockers.

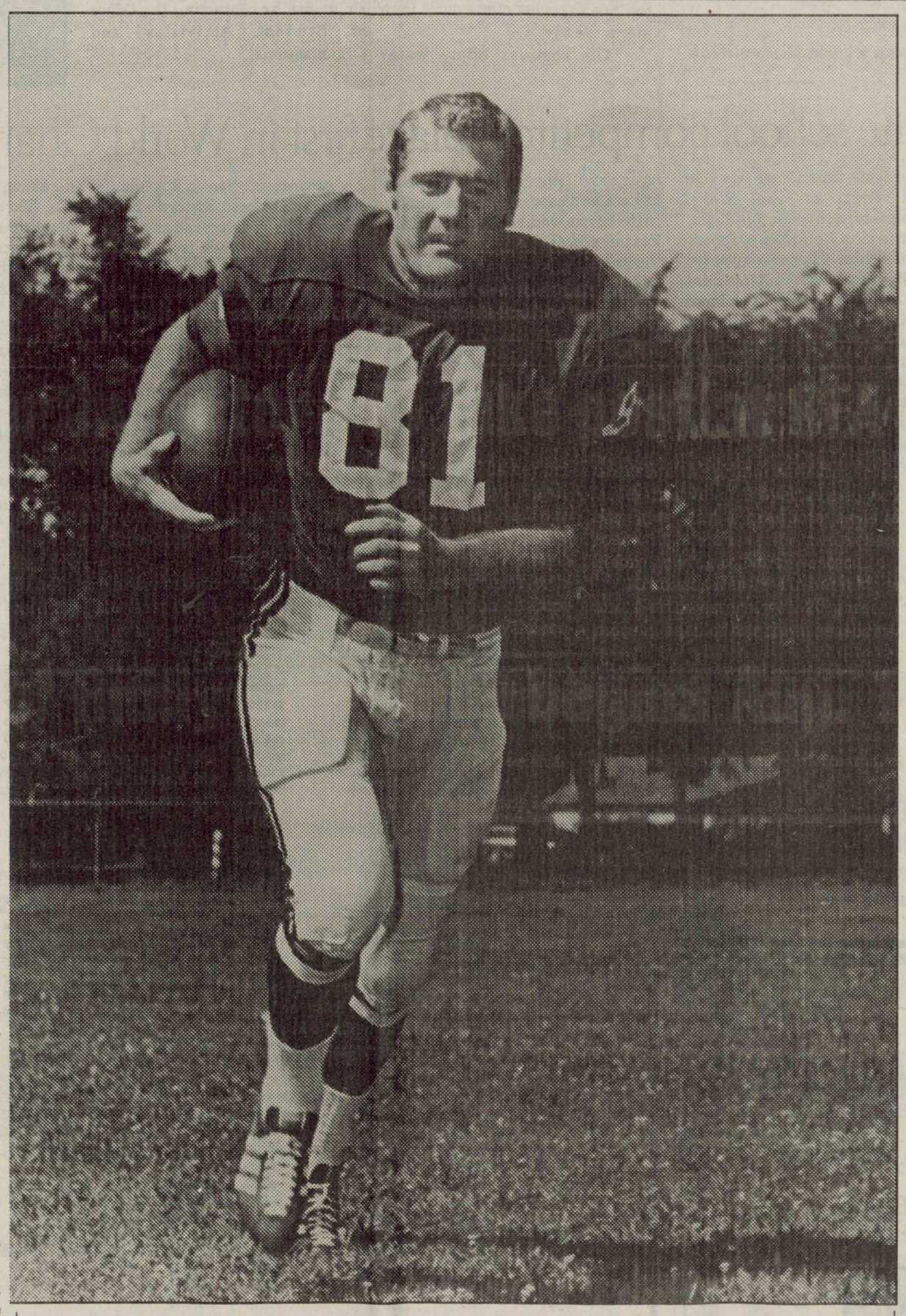
Coach Walter Ladet, who was Smith's track coach and an assistant football coach on Jack Clayton's Demon, staff remembers Smith's versatility.

"Jackie was the easiest guy there ever was to coach," Ledet said. " If you told him to do something, whether it was reasonable or not, he was going to try to do it. More often than not, he got it done."

Ledet knew Smith had the potential to become a good player for the Demons because the young player showed desire and had the speed, size and attitude to go along with that desire.

"It didn't take long to see Jackie had potential to be a very good player," Ledet said. "he was 6-3 / 6-4 and had fair speed, especially for his size. Most of all, he had the desire, and you never had to worry about Jackie Smith getting into trouble doing the wrong things.

"I can't imagine anyone deserves it [Hall of Fame Honor] more, or will appreciate it as much as Jackie will."



**Jackie Larue Smith, a former Northwestern football player and Superbowl Alumni, will be inducted in the Pro Football Hall of Fame this month.**

# Northwestern players sign with Alex.Aces

BRIDGETTE MORVANT
*The Current Sauce*

Three former Northwestern baseball players are now being paid to participate in the national pass-time. The former Demons are now members of the Alexandria Aces, a team in the new Double-A Texas-Louisiana League.

Former Demons Kyle Shade and Dominic Viola started the 1994 season with the Aces.

However, Reggie Gatewood, recently noted for being named second team All-America, officially signed with the Aces July 11. Another former Demon, Troy Dean Conkle, also plays in the league with the Tyler Wildcatters.

"I wish I could have come sooner," Gatewood said. "It's an outstanding league. It's real good to be a part of it [the Aces] because the competition is great. I lucked out in that I got on the best team [in the league]."

Having pitched only 5.2 innings in three games and throwing eight runs (all earned), Gatewood, with a 12.71 ERA is not off to the best of starts. A relief pitcher, Gatewood has four walks and six strike-outs.

Gatewood said he hopes to work towards getting more time in rotation and hopes to play better than he has been.

Fellow pitcher Viola has started in all 11 games he pitched but completed none. Viola's ERA is 4.33 although he is credited with only two wins. He has 42 walks and 52strike outs.

"Talent-wise we probably have the best team and are playing the best," Viola said. "Hopefully, we'll win this whole thing and attract attention from scouts and that's what we're all here for."

Teammate Kyle Shade does not look so far into the future. "Our future plans are to make it to the game at 12:30," he said. "Let the chips fall where they may. We're all fortunate to be on this team . . . . just happy to be here."

The Aces are probably glad to have Shade on the team as well. With .332, he has one of the top five batting averages on the team.

Also notable is his slugging percentage of .435 and on base average of .414. Shade also hit 14 doubles and three triples in the 49 games he played.

The Alexandria Aces are tied for first place in the league with four wins and two losses.

The Texas-Louisiana League is a new professional baseball league which is returning minor league professional baseball to the mid-sized cities of the Texas-Louisiana Region.

Two unique characteristics set the league apart from existing minor league professional baseball leagues. Member team franchises are wholly owned by the League in order to insure League-wide financial stability and to provide a playing environment normally beyond the budget of minor league teams.

Also, member teams operate independently of the formal affiliations with Major League Baseball.

Member teams play a mid-length season schedule of 88 games during the heart of the baseball season — Memorial Day Weekend through Labor Day Weekend.

Each team's 22-man roster must include specific numbers of veteran (four or more years of professional experience), experienced (one to three years as a professional) and entry-level players.

# Striegler quits Northwestern to take post at SFA

Gail Striegler, assistant women's basketball coach for the past three years at Northwestern State, has accepted a similar post at Stephen F. Austin.

James Smith, Northwestern women's basketball head coach, said the search is underway to find a replacement.

"Gail did a very nice job for us," Smith said. "She's a quality person and we wish her well — except three times a year when we play SFA."

Striegler, 26, helped Northwestern post a 65-16 record over the past three seasons.

With defensive strategy as her primary coaching responsibility, Northwestern opponents shot only 39.7 percent in the past three years.

A trip to the 1993 National Women's Invitational Tournament, where Northwestern won the consolation championship, highlighted her three-year tenure as Smith's primary assistant coach.

A native of Fayetteville, Ark., Striegler was a graduate assistant coach at Arkansas for two seasons before moving to Northwestern.

Arkansas was 28-4 in her last year and Northwestern won 20 games or more in each of her three seasons.

# Second session of Biddy Ball camp begins Aug. 1

ERIC METOYER
*The Current Sauce*

It's summertime! Time for swimming, vacations and biddy basketball.

Northwestern will be hosting a second session of the Biddy Basketball Camp Aug. 1-5.

The camp is designed to teach players fundamental skills. According to Clinton Sampson, Demon assistant basketball coach, children do not need to know anything about basketball to attend the camp.

Brad Horstmann, assistant men's basketball coach, expects participants from the Natchitoches area, since Northwestern will not house the young campers.

The camp will be the first for the new Demon basketball coaching staff. "Our objective is to introduce the new Demon coaching staff to area students," Horstmann said. The Demon players and coaches will instruct the youngsters in an effort to introduce the new men's basketball coaching staff to the public.

Sampson urges campers to register early. Entries will be limited to the first 100 youngsters. Thirty to 35 students are already expected to attend the camp. Early registration may be a necessity.

The camp is open to boys and girls ages 6-13. Registration will take place at the coliseum from 9 a.m.-noon July 30. The camp starts at 8:30 and ends at noon each day.

The registration fee is $50 and includes a tee-shirt, basketball and individual instructions.

The staff hopes the camp will be a learning experience as well as fun for all participants. For more information call 357-5891.



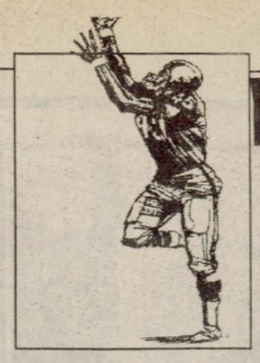
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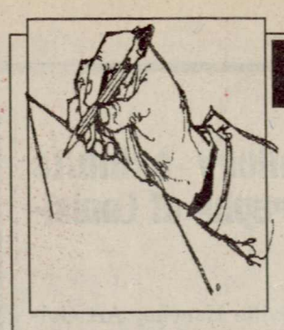
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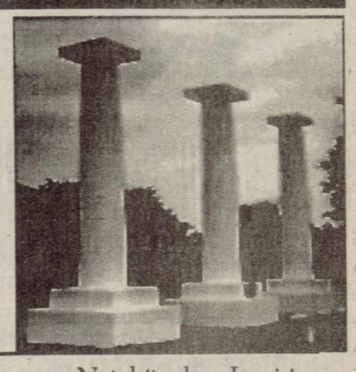
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## Scholars' enrollment sees sharp increase

JANE BALDWIN
*The Current Sauce*

Despite the lack of a building and tight working conditions, the enrollment at Scholars' College has reached an all time high with 110 freshman mostly due to a new degree program, according to Dr. Ray Wallace, director of Scholars' College.

"What we have added to the curriculum is declaring majors and not just concentrations," Wallace said. "We are adding to the concentrations allowing the students the opportunity to choose between the concentrations or major."

With the new degree program, students with declared majors would complete Scholars' College core requirements and then take classes in their major through Northwestern. During their senior year, students would complete their thesis and graduate in their major with a background in the liberal arts. Students also have the choice of only having a concentration.



**Wallace**

Beginning in 1987, Scholars' College was solely a Liberal Arts College. Students chose concentrations in the humanities, sciences or arts. "For many students it wasn't the ideal program," Wallace said. Annual freshman enrollment varied from 55 to 100 students a year.

According to Lisa Wolfe, associate director of Scholars' College, having a major is much clearer and more concrete for most students and their parents. "The students see the courses and they're there and written down whereas with the concentrations the students decide what they want to take. It's a lot more open," she said.

While many freshman are happy with the changes, many upperclassman are not.

"It's a pervasive feeling that they are phasing down the program to just an honors program," said Faith Richards, a Scholars' College junior from Covington, La. "A vast majority are not happy with the changes."

"It takes away from the program," Stephen Neal, a Scholars' College junior from Lake Charles, said. "It's like a part of Northwestern, not a separate entity."

According to Wallace, the program has not changed much. "Change is hard for some, but it's not really the change they think it is.

"Scholars' College is stronger than ever. It is a distinct entity of the Northwestern campus."

According to Wallace, many students would leave Scholars' College after two years because they did not

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*"Scholars' College is stronger than ever. It is a distinct entity of the Northwestern campus"* — DR. RAY WALLACE, SCHOLARS' COLLEGE DIRECTOR

## Practice makes perfect



**Despite 90+ degree heat, Kevin Clark, a senior music education major, along with members of the Spirit of Northwestern Marching Band, prepare for the upcoming game against Southern.**

## NSU undergoes faculty changes

JANE BALDWIN
*The Current Sauce*

Twenty-seven new faculty members have joined Northwestern's teaching staff with a new vice president of university affairs and director of admissions. Former dean of students, Fred Fulton, was also named new vice president of Student Affairs.

As vice president of university affairs, John Winston's duties will include management of the University's physical plant and development of Northwestern's capital outlay requests.

"My challenge is to maintain our physical plant and make it even better," Winston said. "It's a difficult thing to do because my predecessor Dr. James Haley did a beautiful job. This job will be challenging. I hope to bring a fresh approach to the University, and look at things in a way that will help Northwestern."

Winston earned a bachelor's degree from Grambling State University and a master's of science in public school administration and supervision from Northwestern. He also earned a plus 30 from Northwestern and completed an additional 25 hours of graduate credit.

For the past 18 years, Winston has been a member of the Natchitoches City Council. He has also been chairman of the Board of the Natchitoches Economic Development Corporation and chair of the Economic Development Committee of the Red River Waterway Commission. Winston was also appointed as a board member for the Southwest Educational Developmental Laboratory.

Fulton's areas of responsibility include student services, auxillary services, University police and transportation, student activities and organizations, lesiure activities and recre

**Shifts, Promotions and additions**

- Fred Fulton, dean of students to vice president of Student Affairs
- John Winston: new vice president of University Affairs
- 27 faculty added
- Chris Maggio, assistant sports fundraiser to director of admissions

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## Preis campaigns at NSU

MIKE WHITMIRE
*The Current Sauce*

Democratic 1995 gubernatorial candidate Phil Preis wasted little time hitting the campaign trail which included a brief stop at Northwestern, Friday.

The 44-year-old native of Newellton, La., has spent the past 18 years running his own law firm in Baton Rouge after spending time as a staff attorney in the U.S. Treasury Department.

"I guess you could say I'm a corporate lawyer and a problem solver," he said.

"I've done a lot of settlement work. I think that my background as a problem solver and my financial background in accounting gives me a good background to be governor of this state."

The 1991 campaign gave Preis interest in leading Louisiana. "I'm not a politician and I've never sought public office," Preis said. "But in 1991 I saw the decisions the people of this state had to make and I wasn't happy about it.



**Preis**

"It cast Louisiana in a bad light," he said. "So I started considering it in 1991 and I got the opportunity to take my time, money and resources and try to make a change in this state."

Preis wants to make a fundamental change in how the state is perceived, and he thinks it's the only way for Louisiana to make substantial long-term growth.

"Every time I go talk to the people I ask them what their vision of Louisiana is, and the two things they tell me every time is gambling and entertainment," he said. "And that is what the outside thinks about us too.

"The only thing that is going to turn this state around is getting outside people to come in and realize what we have here," Preis said.

"We need big companies to come in and invest a lot of money in this state. That's what it will take to turn this thing around. The only people who have come to Louisiana in the past are people that need the river or gas, and we need to change that."

## Watson library seeks name for new OPAC system

Northwestern's Eugene P. Watson Memorial Library is sponsoring a contest for students to name the library's new Online Public Access Catalog.

The contest is only open to Northwestern students enrolled in fall 1994 classes. The deadline for entry is 10 a.m. Sept. 19. The winner will receive a $100 cash award and will be a special guest at the OPAC Dedication Ceremonies Oct. 4.

To ensure an unbiased selection, OPAC name entries will be separated from entrants' names at the time of receipt by the library. All entries will become the property of Watson Library and will not be returned.

The following rules apply to the contest. (1) The name must be suitable for online use and must not be derogatory. (2) The name should be one word or acronym of no more than eight characters. (3) The name may be a personal name or any word/acronym relating to the University, the library, the purpose of an online catalog or school spirit. (4) Multiple entries per person are allowed, but only one entry per form. (5) Entries will be judged on originality, clarity, significance and appropriateness. (6) Duplicate entries of winning name will be decided by the earliest entry.

## World Report

### CAMPUS

**DEBRA BELL PLEADS GUILTY TO GUN CHARGES:** Senior journalism major Debra Bell pleaded guilty to possession of a firearm on campus. In April, Bell left her purse in class where students found the gun inside. According to the district attorney's office, Bell was placed on probation and payed a small fine.

**DATE SET FOR CAREER DAY:** Students can meet prospective employers or graduate and professional school representatives in September. **PAGE 2**

**NORTHWESTERN STUDENTS AND FACULTY HELP SMALL BUSINESSES:** Businesses in eight parishes will help in assistance projects focusing on such topics as accounting and market research.

**ALOST ELECTED TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS:** President Robert Alost has been recently elec ted as part of the eight new nemebers of the board of directors in Alexandria. Alost will be part of the Central Louisiana Chamber of Commerce.

### CITY

**LSMSA STUDENT SCORES BIG ON GAME SHOW:** Christine Hoang, a senior at the Louisiana School for Math, Science and the Arts won big on one of America's most popular game shows, *The Wheel of Fortune*, July 29. Hoang won a new 1994 Chevrolet Z28 Camarro. The show will air on Sept. 8.

### STATE

**COASTAL RESTORATION IN THE WORKS:** Environmental groups in Louisiana are taking steps to clean up its act. Restoration of Louisiana's coastlines are now a top priority. **PAGE 7**

### NATION

**ALCOHOL-FREE DORM AREA ESTABLISHED:** Penn State established a drug and alcohol-free dorm area for students who don't want to be in an environment where drugs and alcohol are prevalent, officials said. The third and fourth floors of a dorm are part of LIFE House, or Living In a Free Environment. Residents who live on these floors sign a contract to not use drugs, alcohol or other controlled substances. Some students who live in the drug-free zone have parents who are addicted to alcohol or drugs, or because they themselves are recovering alcoholics or drug addicts, officials said.

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# Campus Calendar

## Today

**SAB movie Philadelphia. 7 p.m. in the Alley**

## Wednesday

**Replay of *Philadelphia* at noon in the Alley.**

**Comedian, Tim Settimi. 7:30 p.m. in the Alley.**

## Thursday

**Replay of *Philadelphia* at 2 p.m. in the Alley.**

**"Thursday night live" Video dance party at 7:30 p.m. in the Alley.**

## Monday

**Labor Day holiday. No Class.**

## Art gallery exhibits photographs of Louisiana

The Orville Hanchey Art Gallery at Northwestern State University will present an exhibition, "Photographs by Elemore Morgan: Rural Life and Landmarks in Louisiana, 1937-1965," Aug. 29 through Sept. 30.

The exhibit is on loan from the Alexandria Museum of Art.

Morgan, who died in 1966, was widely recognized as one of the top outdoor photographers in the South. His primary subjects were architecture and photographs done for industrial clients which included the state's forests, bayous and industrial sites.

His work appeared in the books *The Bayous of Louisiana*, *All This Is Louisiana*, *5 Days in Baton Rouge* and *The Art of Flower Arrangement*. He also did a series of assignments for the Louisiana State Forestry Commission and Louisiana Forestry Association which appeared in *Forests & People* magazine.

Morgan was also a consultant on the films *The Long Hot Summer*, *The Sound and the Fury*, *Desire in the Dust*, *Hush, Hush Sweet Charlotte*, *Alvarez Kelly*, and *Hurry Sundown*.

The gallery is open weekdays from 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. and will be closed on Labor Day. Admission to the exhibit is free.

## Professor presents a paper on civic education

Teaching prisoners to read and write is not enough to prevent them from committing crimes after they are released, according to a professor at Northwestern.

A course in civics could also play a role in reducing the number of repeat offenders, according to Frank Fuller, an assistant professor of adult and continuing education.

Fuller will present a paper, *Civic Education: Its Place in Adult Basic Education for Corrections Populations*, at a meeting of the American Association of Adult and Continuing Education in Nashville later this year.

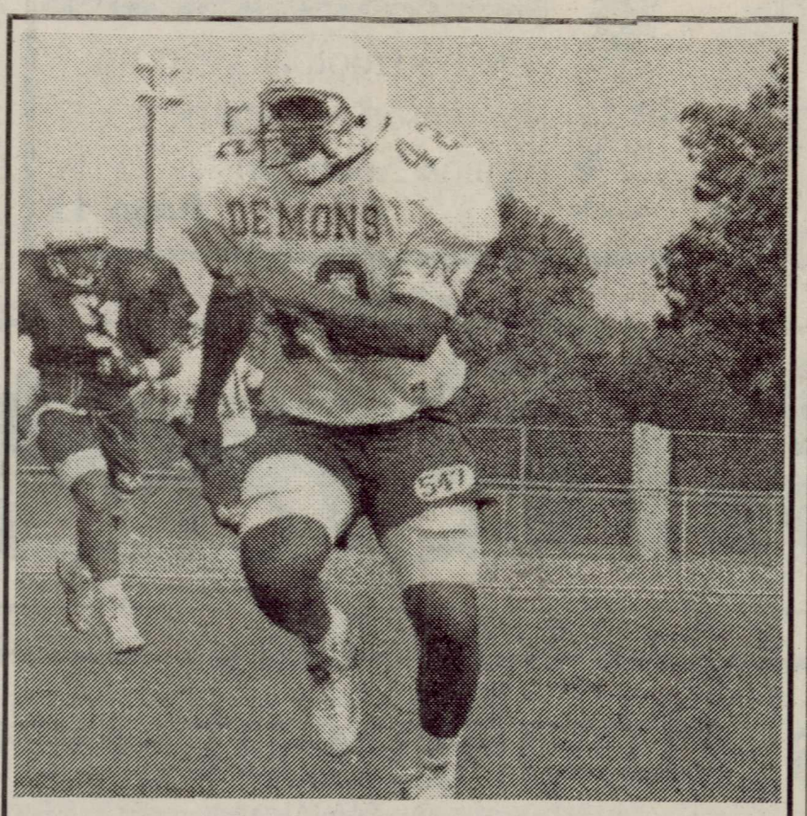
Fuller maintains that having literacy skills and a job aren't enough to prevent people from committing crimes.

"Research indicates that about 40 percent of people who commit felonies are employed at the time they are arrested," said Fuller, who is in his second year on the Northwestern faculty. "Traditional educational goals are to give felons preemployment skills so they can get a job. But if they a have job when they are arrested, a GED is not going to help. Other strategies are needed."

While working with probation officers in Texas during the 1980s, Fuller came up with the idea of adding civics to the prison education curriculum. The basic civics course would be personalized to meet the needs of specific probation or parole officers. He said his work was not designed to eliminate repeat offenders, but was one tool that could be effective in many cases.

"Our goal was to teach the clients an understanding of the court system, how the government worked and their role in society," he said. "We wanted to show them that there are rewards for functioning within the structure of family and society. Those rewards aren't always apparent but they are there."

Fuller added that teaching basic civics has a practical aspect.



**Junior Deron Reed prepares for Saturday's game against Southern.** ***See related story, page 12***

## Career Day set for September

The perfect job or contact could be easy to find at the annual Career/Graduate Day on Tuesday, Sept. 20 in the Friedman Student Union.

Career/Graduate Day is sponsored by Northwestern's Office of Counseling and Career Services and Office of Cooperative Education. Northwestern students and alumni are eligible to meet with prospective employers or graduate and professional school representatives.

Career/Graduate Day is part of Career Week activities. The Office of Counseling and Career Services is sponsoring a week of seminars and counseling sessions to provide students with skills to make getting a job easier.

Seminars will be Sept. 14 through 15 in the President's Room of the Student Union. Topics to be covered include selecting a major, learning to interview, preparing the right resume, preparing for graduate school and job seeking strategies. Students may attend individual sessions on Sept. 16 and 19.

Northwestern's Career/Graduate Day occurs in conjunction with Career Days planned at McNeese State University, Northeast Louisiana University and Grambling State University. Conine said spaces are available for businesses who would like to participate. She encouraged all area businesses to take part even if they are not hiring. For more information on Northwestern's Career/Graduate Day, call 357-5621.

## Music professor's original composition performed

An original composition by Mark Francis, adjunct professor of guitar and theory at Northwestern, was recently performed at the 1994 College Music Society Southern Chapter meeting in Atlanta. Francis is also on the faculty of the Louisiana School for Math, Science and the Arts.

The work, *Noctis*, is a collection of five pieces. *Noctis* is Latin for of the night. According to Francis, each piece in the collection examines some aspect of nighttime and how it can be viewed as evil. He said the view of evil is meant in a "tongue-in-cheek" manner. Francis said evil is often a creation of the mind while that which is truly evil is treated with indifference.

An article written by Francis, *A Conversation with Michael Kallstrom*, was published in the spring issue of *The New Journal for Music*. Kallstrom is an internationally-known composer who performed his electronic opera, *Stories*, at Northwestern in 1992.


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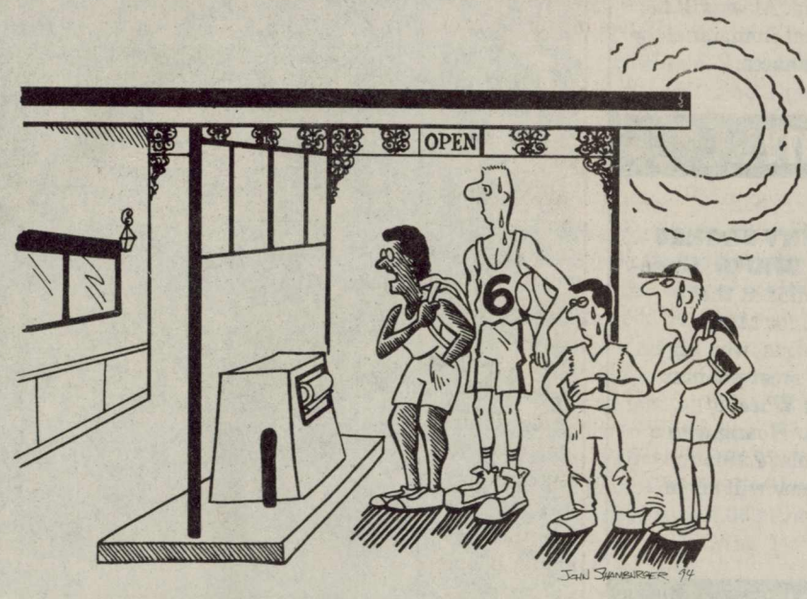

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# 245 participate in formal Rush at Northwestern

HEATHER URENA AND DAWN VALLERY
*The Current Sauce*

Some students "rushed" to get o Northwestern. Approximately 170 omen and 75 men applied and par- icipated in a week of formal Rush.

Formal Rush is a program in hich students interested in Greek ife participate in a mutual selection rocess with the campus Greek or- ganizations. This allows those students or rushees, an opportunity to take a look at Greek life.

Even though the entire program lasted four to five days, students were able to get a view of how the Greek system operates.

Each rushee was guided through the program by a rush counselor, a Greek representative who disassociated from his or her chosen Greek organization.

Counselors answered questions and helped with any problems a rushee may have had concerning the Rush process.

According to Angela Hennigan, president of the Northwestern Panhellenic Association, "Things went very well this year, we had a qualified staff of Rho Chis [sorority counselors]."

Hennigan also said the Greek Hill site worked out very well. Sigma Kappa sorority now occupies a new house, since their former house was razed to make way for the new apartments behind Greek Hill. The sorority worked last spring and during the summer to get it ready for this fall.

Northwestern adopted a new strategy for Rush this year. To help reduce the expense of Rush, Reatha Cox, Greek adviser, suggested cutting down on the decorations of the houses and limiting the skits to only one.

"This was our first year to go strictly to a conversation Rush," Cox said. "Overall I think everyone enjoyed it. It was very worthwhile."

The Greek organizations experienced a higher retention rate by having an early formal Rush. This was the first early rush in which the fraternities had participated for quite some time, Cox said. The retention rates compared favorably to previous rushes.

According to Cox, of the rushees, approximately 115 women and 60 men have accepted bids. "They [the Greek organizations] have some excellent new leaders. We have an exciting year planned."

Several of the campus chapters have gained national recognition, so the year offers a lot of excitement, Cox said.

"Rush went very smoothly . . . . This year there was a higher rate of bid matching," Hennigan said. "There were no problems this year . . . even the weather cooperated."

# Cheers, NSU!

HONNY ELDRIDGE
*The Current Sauce*

Hundreds of years ago, our forefathers set out rom Plymouth, England, to seek freedom and to stablish a new culture. And now Stephen Dale, a articipant in the International Student Exchange rogram, has set out from Plymouth College to xplore similar interests—through a year at North- western.

Dale's arrival at Northwestern was not without onfusion. He arrived at 7:30 p.m. Aug. 20 with only is guitar. His baggage and money didn't arrive until 0:30 p.m. the next day in Shreveport.



**Dale**

He previously worked n the real estate industry ut decided to study psy- hology. Of the 130 schools vailable through ISEP, he chose to attend North- western because of the pro- gram available and because f a "snap decision." An ISEP student from Ply- mouth College had attended Northwestern before.

His transition doesn't seem to have been too difficult so far. He doesn't mind the sun, but he does ot like the humidity. And he is "gasping for a cup of ea."

He has been received well, but is often asked to epeat everything he says "for either of one of two easons: one, because they don't understand me or wo, because they want to hear me talk."

Dale is very interested in meeting people. Outwardly, Dale appears to be very concerned with not making too many waves or upsetting too many people. Dale said the local people have gone out of their way to be nice. But coming here has been a culture shock for him.

For example, in England, a brand new car would cost about $7,500. The comparable American price is $17,000. Food is cheaper and textbooks are double the price. In London, "you pay through the nose" for a flat. Whereas, the problem here is finding appropriate housing.

Other cultural differences concern voting age, abortion, drinking and driving. In England, people can't get a drivers license until they are 17 years old. People can legally vote and drink at 18 years old.

Differences aside, Dale is much like other 28-year-old, male college students. He enjoys going to "pubs" on the weekend.



**New residents of the University Columns apartments settle in to their "exclusive" lifestyle**

# Welcome Home



**All seems quiet on the Northwestern front. The Universtiy Columns Apartments first welcomed students students only a few days ago, but moving days are already past.**

University Columns Apartments opened last week, welcoming back nearly 500 students to Northwestern's campus. The only housing in Natchitoches offering off-campus living and the benefits of on-campus life, the Columns are specifically designed to enrich student life.

Individual liability leases, community assistants, programming, workshops, social events and great customer service are some of the things the Columns offer to make life easier for college students.

A five-minute walk from Kyser Hall, the apartments are conveniently located behind the PE Major's building.

University Columns were built on-campus because numerous studies have shown that students who live on-campus have better metriculation rates and tend to be more socially and institutionally involved.

The Columns also offers private locking bedrooms, a full kitchen (with dishwasher, disposal and icemaker) a clubhouse, a pool and jacuzzi, an 8-foot perimeter fence with an electronically controlled gate, laundry and study rooms and a full-time maintenance staff. Prices for the apartments begin at $710 per semester.

PHOTOS BY STONY COFFELT

# SAB welcomes back students

HEATHER URENA
*The Current Sauce*

Welcome Week, and this week's activi- es, are used as an introduction and re- minder of all the activities and events avail- able to students all year long.

The Student Activities Board is in the rocess of planning events to keep you busy uring the week and the entire semester. With the success of Welcome Week activi- es, the SAB is trying to respond to the tudents' interests.

"Students pay for this. You pay $10 for his," Dwayne Jones, president of SAB, said. "It's really, *really* a cheap price by all you get ut of it."

The cost of the events is underwritten y student association fees, which full-time tudents pay along with tuition and other osts. All activities are free to students with urrent Northwestern identification.

Some changes students can recognize was the addition of alternative times for movie showings, a board member and monthly newsletter dedicated to public re- ations/advertising and "Thursday night ive" in The Alley.

The Alley has been reserved every Thursday night by the SAB to guarantee some kind of activities to look forward to every week.

Movie showings will begin with the regular viewing at 7 p.m. Tuesdays, and other showings will be noon Wednesdays and 2 p.m. Thursdays.

Jones said many events have already been planned but not booked because the SAB is trying to book current, popular performers and movies for the coming year.

This week's activities are planned as a continuation of welcoming students to campus. The Tuesday night movie is *Philadelphia*, starring Tom Hanks and Denzell Washington. Tim Settimi, a comedian of sorts, will perform his show "Mime, Music and Mayhem" at 7 p.m. Wednesday in The Alley. The Thursday night performance will showcase Tony Gilley, a professional disc jockey.

"We're waiting to book events. We're trying to get feedback on what the students want," Debi Cost, SAB special events chairman, said. "We want to give the students what they want. We're basically trying to get ideas. That's where our representatives-at-large come in."

The SAB has two openings for representatives-at-large and "openings galore" for committee members, according to Cost. Interested students should inquire at the SAB office, Rm. 214 in the Student Union and look for future information in *The Current Sauce*.

Cost said events and activities will be booked according to the interests that students show. Some tentative ideas for future events include caricature artists, an open microphone night, dances, disc jockeys and possibly a performance by a psychic who will use numerology and tarot cards.

# Welcome week performers share musical tradition

BRIDGETTE MORVANT
*The Current Sauce*

Trini and Rose Triggs trace the roots of their musical talent to the many songbirds who have always been found nestled in the branches of the Triggs family tree.

The brother and sister, along with guitarist, Lance Thompson, shared that musical talent with Northwestern students at a street dance in front of Iberville Cafeteria last Thursday night. The dance was part of the Student Activities Board's Welcome Week.

"It was really good," said Carl Henry, director of student activities and organizations. "We had a lot of students to attend. Trini and Rose put on a real good show."

Trini and Rose grew up in a family that appreciated a wide variety of music and loved to sing. "Rose had always sung at home," Trini said. Trini said he was more interested in karate as a child. However, his performing career was launched when in third grade, his teacher overheard him singing *Feelings* to himself in the cafeteria and made him sing in front of the class.

Trini formed his own singing group three years ago and Rose joined the group, which was originally comprised solely of family members, a half year later.

Trini and Rose Triggs are popular performers in Natchitoches. They are the featured singers at The Cove, a bar located inside The Mariner restaurant on the Hwy One By-Pass, and, according to Trini, have played hundreds of local weddings and fraternity and sorority parties. Rose was the featured singer at last year's Crewe of St. Denis Mardi Gras Ball in Prather Coliseum.

Rose, who takes piano classes here at Northwestern, is also an accomplished flautist. The 19-year-old Northwestern student is pursuing a degree in physical therapy and plans to graduate in May. After graduation, Rose plans to further her education at a physical therapy school in Chicago. After completion of her degree, Rose plans to pursue music as another possible career choice.

Due to studies, Rose doesn't spend much time performing on the road. She does, however, perform demonstration work in Shreveport and Monroe often. Demonstration work, according to Trini, is when a singer performs a newly-written song to test its sound.

Trini, on the other hand, has been spending a great deal of his time performing out of town, mostly in promotion of his new tape entitled *Trini Triggs*. Trini said he has sold many tapes so far and is optimistic about the future.

The 29-year-old musician is married to Nancy Triggs and they have a daughter Kristin. Trini said he and his wife would love to stay in Natchitoches, but he will go wherever his music career takes him.

In the meantime, Trini is busy advertising and promoting his new tape and taking guitar lessons. With his experience in the music business, Trini has a word of advice, "To all the musicians out there trying to make it— don't give up because it's a tough business."

HOLIDAY HISTORY:

# Labor Day

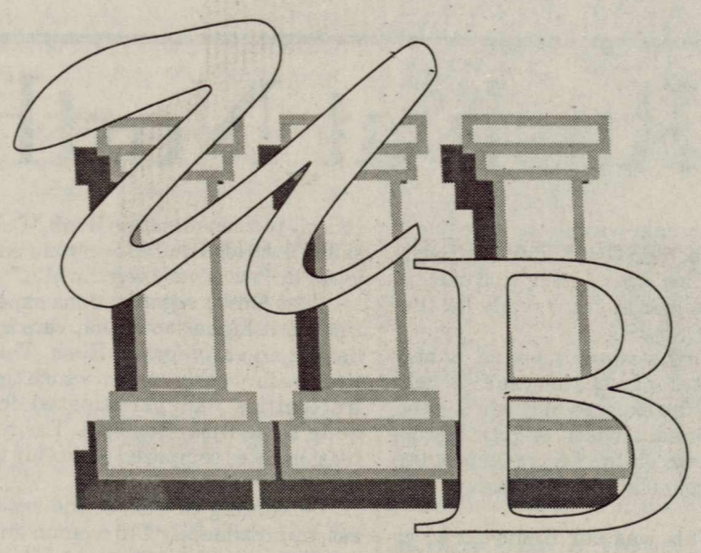
HEATHER COOLEY
*The Current Sauce*

Monday marks the 100th anniversary of President Grover Cleveland's bill that made Labor Day a national holiday.

Labor Day, observed the first Monday in September, is a day of rest and relaxation, marking the end of summer. Not only is Labor Day celebrated in the United States, it is also celebrated in Canada, Puerto Rico and Australia, where it is called Eight Hour Day. Europe also has a day to celebrate working people, but it is celebrated on May first.

Matthew Maguire, a machinist from Paterson, New Jersey, and Peter J. McGuire, a New York City carpenter, were the first to suggest a holiday honoring working people. They were a crucial part of the first Labor Day parade in New York City in September of 1882.

Although Oregon in 1887, became the first state to make Labor Day a legal holiday, it was not made an official holiday until 1894.



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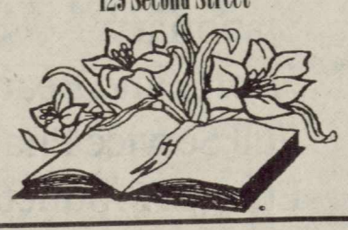
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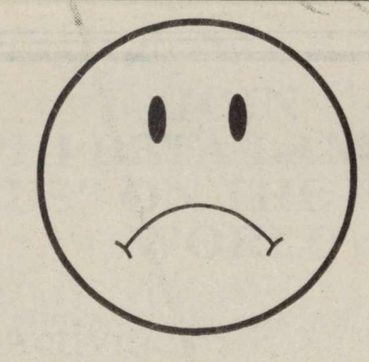
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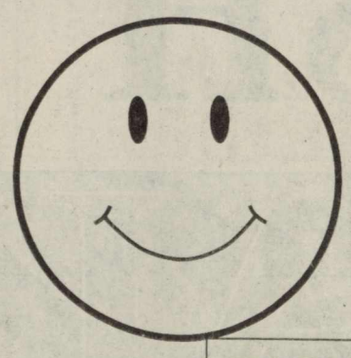
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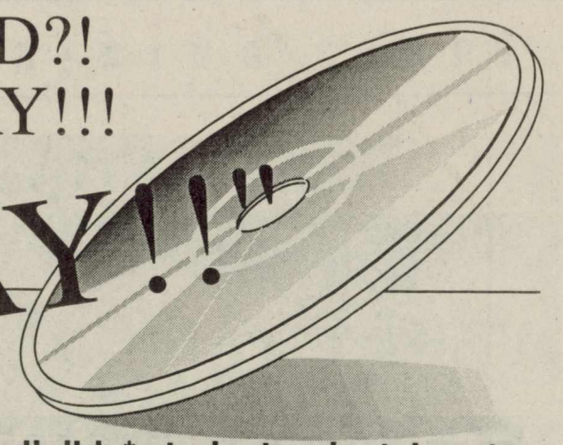
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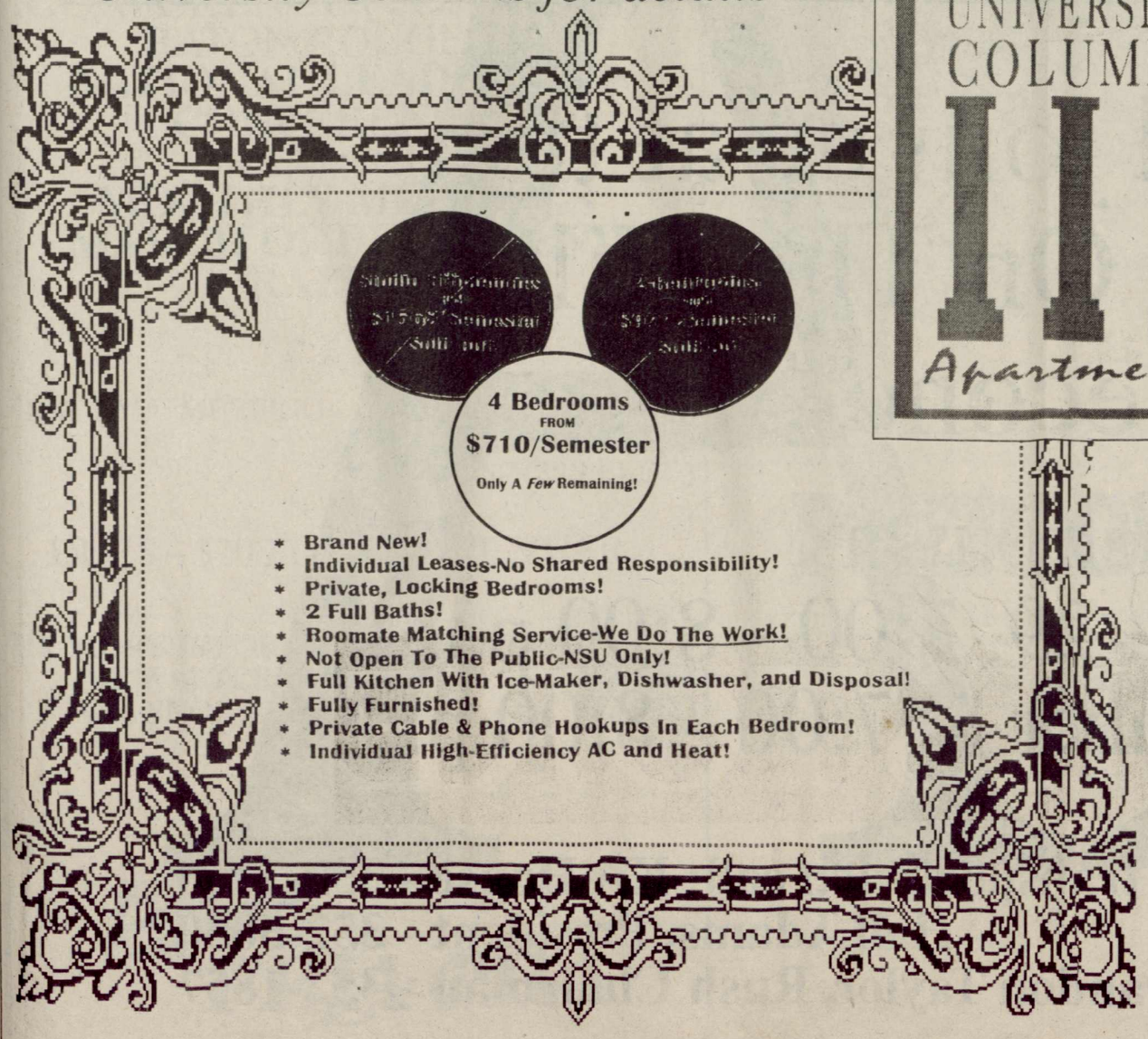


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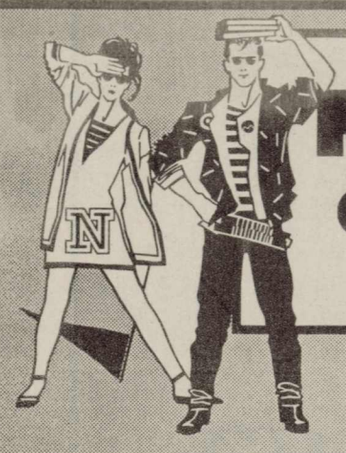
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# Options for restoring coastal Louisiana discussed at summit

Sara Farrell
*The Current Sauce*

The Coalition to Restore Coastal Louisiana, a nonprofit organization dedicated to coastal wetlands restoration and preservation, recently urged the Governor's Office to hold a summit meeting for all interested groups.

"The Governor's Office of Coastal Activities has decided to hold the summit," Mark Davis, executive director of the Coalition, said. "They're actually going to send out solicitations for ideas."

Various businesses, civic and environmental groups, state and local governmental bodies and other concerned individuals formed the Coalition in 1988 in an effort to save the only great delta ecosystem in North America — the Mississippi River Delta.

The area comprises a large section of the country's commercial fish landings and supplies about one-half of the nation's fur harvest.

The delta also serves as a sanctuary for millions of waterfowl that travel through the Mississippi flyway.

As massive levying and other human activity disrupt the natural balance of land-building and loss, Louisiana's wetlands lose more sediment annually, currently at a loss of 25 to 35 square miles per year.

Louisiana contains 25 percent of the nation's coastal wetlands yet suffers 80 percent of all nationwide coastal wetlands loss. The Coalition predicts that New Orleans will be a coastal city by 2050 if land loss continues at historical rates.

Also at those rates, the commercial fisheries harvest will decline 30 percent by the year 2041, with a loss of at least 50,000 jobs, according to the Coalition.

The Coalition has distinguished itself by actively pushing for restoration activity to prevent such damage.

The organization proved responsible for securing statewide commitment to its goal upon creation of the Wetlands Conservation and Restoration Fund, a trust funded by a portion of state royalties received from oil and gas, in 1989.

Largely through the Coalition's efforts, Congress passed the Coastal Wetlands Planning, Protection and Restoration Act (CWPPRA) in 1990. This development guaranteed federal funds of about $1.5 billion for restoration projects, with the taxpayers' approval.

The spending of federal monies on restoration depends on the state's ability to cost share the projects by at least 25 percent.

"If we are going to save our coast, we have to have a program that people believe in and are willing to invest in," Davis said. "To get that kind of program we all need to do more than point fingers and cast blame."

The CWPPRA's Task Force annually creates a project priority list. They completed the first assignment, a restoration project expected to create 205 acres of brackish marsh in the La Branche wetlands, in April 1994.

To continue such success, the Coalition pushed for the summit. A tentative date has placed it in November or January.

To join or receive more information, contact the Coalition to Restore Coastal Louisiana, 8841 Highland Road, Suite C, Baton Rouge, LA 70808.

## Scholars': continued from front page

fer traditional majors. "From talking to some of the students that left go into traditional majors, they anted to be a little bit more like eir friends with traditional majrs.

"Majors tend to sell better after aduation," Wallace said. "The ajor is a readily recognizable comnent."

So far, students with declared ajors are pleased with the proam. "I'm excited," said Jamie illet, a Scholars' College freshman majoring in physical therapy. "It's a lot of work, but it will pay off in the end."

However, Caillet said she would not have attended Scholars' College if they were not allowed to declare a major.

"I'm real pleased with the acceptance across campus," Wallace said. "The department heads and faculty I have talked to across campus are very happy about this.

"We designed it for the incoming students. Northwestern departments receive more students. It's a win-win situation for both of us. I don't think it is a major problem."

Scholars' College also faces the challenge of adapting to their temporary location at Kyser Hall. Since this summer, major renovations began on Russell Hall. Until the building is completed students are forced to use classrooms around campus many of which are conflict with Northwestern's class schedule.

"The placement of rooms is chaotic," Neal said. "A little more planning and it wouldn't be a problem."

According to Wallace, construction should take up to a year to complete.

## Faculty: continued from front page

tional sports and enrollment serices. Fulton earned his bachelor's nd master's in education at Northestern. He did additional postraduate work at Northwestern, cNeese State University and ortheast Louisiana University.

His campus activities include erving as an instructor in the resident's Leadership Program and eing the advisor for the Northwestrn Student Government Associaon and the Blue Key National onor Fraternity. He is a member of e campus Affirmative Action Comittee, Assessment Steering Comittee and Calendar Committee.

Chris Mahhio , new director of dmissions and recruiting, will coordinate the Univeristy's recruiting fforts. He will also hire, evaluate nd train staff and develop recruitg publications.

A Northwestern graduate, Maggio was assistant athletic director and executive director of athletic devcelopment for the Northwestern Athletic Association. He was previously women's track and field coach at Northwestern for six years, building the program into one of the top programs in the Southland Conference.

New faculty in the Division of Business are part-time associate professor Dr. Fred Clark and assistant professors Terry Bechtel, Dr. Alice Handlang and Dr. Robert C. Jones III

Joining the Alice E. and Mrs. H.D. Dear, Sr. Department of Creative and Performing Arts are assistant professor Micheal Rorex and David Schidt, temporary assistant professor and director of technical theatre. The University appointed assistant professor David Gullatt in the Division of Education, and James Esco in the Department of Family and Consumer Sciences.

Assistant professors Melissa Price and William Swain were named in the Department of Journalism and Telecommunications while Susan Lewis and Lillian Wooley were appointed as temporary instructors in the Department of Languages and Communications.

In the Department of Mathematical and Physical Sciences, David Clarke, Lisa Galminas, James Kirby and Leigh Ann Myers were named as assistant professors. Katheryn Arterberry, Nelwyn Brantly, Micheal Evans and Deborah Moore were appointed assistant professors in the Division of Nursing. Dr. Catherine Hansen was named an assistant professor in psychology.

The University appointed Brad Bays, Charles Burchfield, George Conklin, John Hillebrand, Michael Sheehan and Lauren Taves as assistant professors in the Department of Social Sciences.


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# Ethics and Whitewater



**Pete Muldoon**

## From the Front

If you were watching the Congressional Whitewater hearings, which actually dealt with little more than alleged improper conduct between White House officials and Bill Clinton's pals in theTreasury Department, you may have been amazed at the number of times the Treasury officials could not remember or recall events which, according to other testimony, had ocurred.

What was even more amazing was the way these officials would consistently deny any wrongdoing, even after being discredited and admitting to the unethical action in question.

A somewhat useful analogy would be the situation of a criminal (X) being interrogated by a detective:

Detective: Did you rob that bank?
X: Yes I did.
Detective: So you are guilty of theft?
X: No, of course not.

This was getting very frustrating. I think even Congress was a little disgusted. After all, the rule in Washington is: cheat, steal, defraud and philander at will, but if they get the goods on you, admit it. You can always find someone to blame.

Treasury Secretary Lloyd Bentsen, when being asked repeatedly if he thought that there had been any unethical activity whatsoever in the whole affair, after hearing testimony about obvious conflicts of interests and White House pressure, simply replied that the Office of Government Ethics had ruled that there had not.

Mr. Bentsen has been in politics and Washington too long. Apparently for him there is no longer any right or wrong. The Office of Government Ethics is his god, his conscience.

One might assume that if the Office of Government Ethics ruled that genocide was a perfectly acceptable method of population control, provided the proper forms were filed with the proper government agencies and federal, state and local regulations were observed, then Mr. Bentsen would not see what all the fuss was about.

His answer, however, did provide us with a useful insight into the conscience of Washington politics. Our politicians will do anything as long as they can get away with it. Some agency told Lloyd it saw no wrong and so he has no problem. Whether he has served the people whom he has sworn to serve in an honest and ethical way is irrelevant to him. Because Lloyd Bentsen, like so many others in Washington, has no sense of right or wrong, only a sense of what's best for him -- the country is always the loser.

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I am a non-traditional student returning to NSU for a second degree, having earned my first degree here more than 10 years ago.

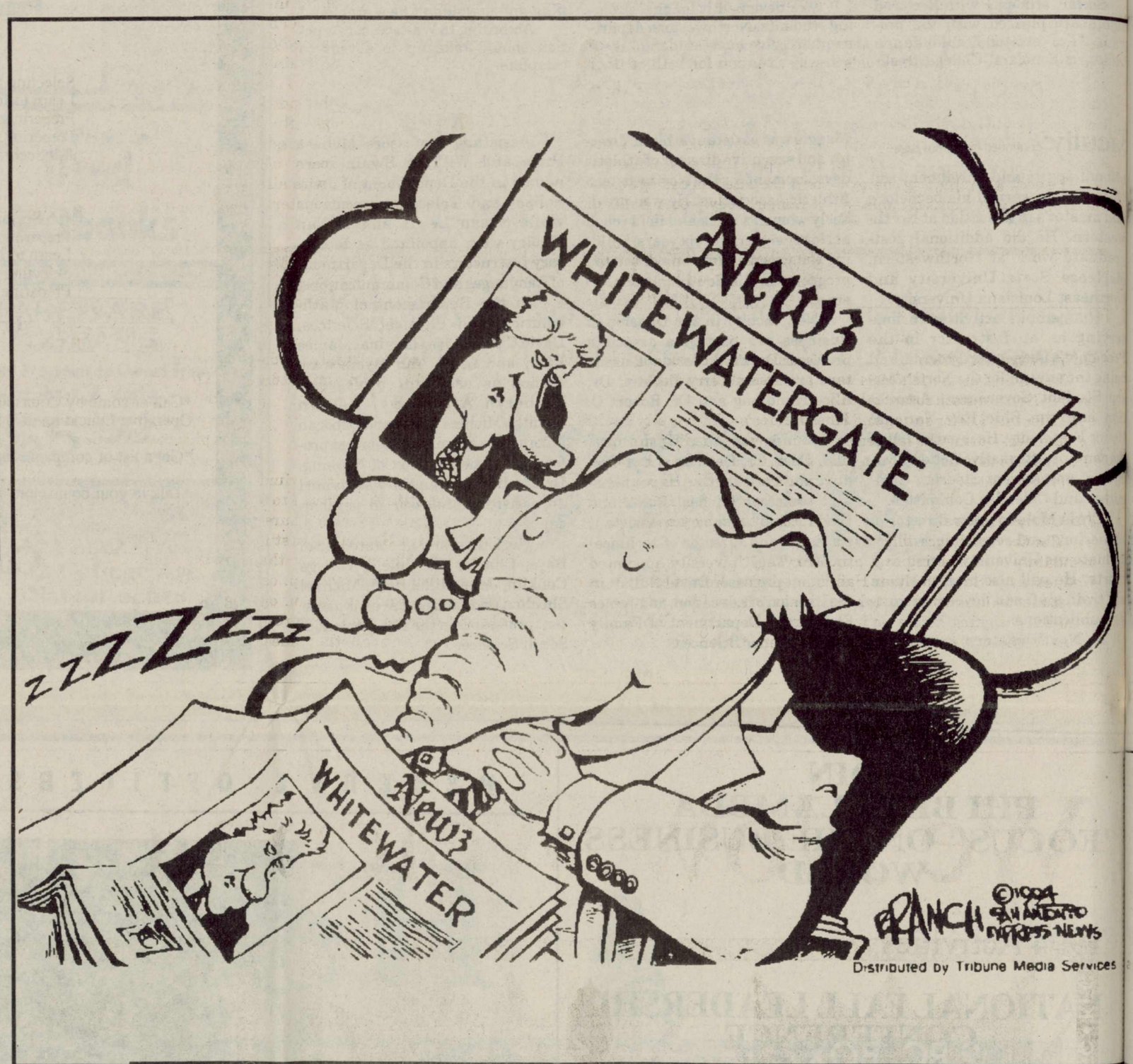
I picked up a copy of *The Current Sauce* a few weeks ago, and was so impressed with its style, coverage, quality of reporting and crisp, clean design that I felt led to express my thoughts.

I received my first degree in journalism here in 1984, and since then have worked for newspapers in Louisiana and Texas. I believe that working in the field develops in one an instinct for recognizing quality journalism.

What a pleasant surprise for me to pick up a copy of my university newspaper to see that the entire paper had changed for the better.

The student editorials sparkle with wit and intelligence; hard news reporting is solid, with good leads and information — packed contents. Another pleasant change in the *Sauce* is the inclusion of city and national news. Additionally, the type style, layout and use of color make the *Sauce* one of the most attractive little papers I have seen.

I would like to extend a personal commendation — as well as a personal "thank you" — to all who put together each edition of *The Current Sauce*, for making my time at NSU (for the second time) a bit more pleasant.




# Oliver Casts Another Stone

## Natural Born Killers *leaves no one unscathed*



**Madelyn Boudreaux**

## Banana Notes

Oliver Stone, who gave us *Platoon*, *Born on the Fourth of July*, *JFK* and *The Doors*, has finally decided to emerge on this side of the generation gap with his new film Natural Born Killers.

Woody Harrelson (*Cheers*, *White Men Can't Jump*, *Indecent Proposal*) and Juliette Lewis (*What's Eating Gilbert Grape*, *Kalifornia*) star as Generation X anti-heroes, mass murderers whose three-week killing spree across the vague southwest United States is a pointless exercise in unreality, a fact which is missed utterly by everyone from the media to the cops to the killers themselves.

Although it is incredibly violent and rather heavy handed, *Natural Born Killers* carries some serious messages about the mayhem of media today.

The film, based on a story by Quentin Tarantino (*Reservoir Dogs*, *True Romance*, *Pulp Fiction*) gives us Mickey and Mallory Knox, escapees from the imprisonment of violence that Stone paints as suburbia. Taking off across the desert, they kill cops, truck-stop clerks and anyone else who gets in their way — or even crosses their path.

They always leave one person alive, however, to tell the tale. They are pursued by a twisted detective, Jack Scagnetti (Tom Sizemore), and a slimeball reporter (a ludicrous parody of Geraldo Rivera) named Wayne Gale (Robert Downey, Jr.), as well as by their own demons.

After three weeks and 52 corpses, they are captured and sent to a festering prison, under the rule of a greasy and saliva-spewing Tommy Lee Jones.

For a year they are imprisoned separately, but when Gale brings his cameras and crew into the prison for a live interview with Mickey (and a promise of the best ratings ever), the scene is set for an unbelievably savage climax. As Mickey says in a made-for-TV sound-bite, "You ain't seen nothin' yet!"

The film manipulates the viewer in grand fashion. When Mickey and Mallory remember their first meeting, the flashback takes the form of a cheesy '70s sitcom, complete with laugh-track and grainy, poorly-colored film.

One is almost inclined to laugh along with the laugh track, but the actions of violence and incest are anything but funny. Mallory's father, portrayed in gruesome detail by Rodney Dangerfield, insults and threatens his wife and daughter, leering and belching like an evil cross between Al Bundy and Archie Bunker — but worse. When Mickey appears as "the meat-man," in a blood-stained butcher's smock, to deliver fifty pounds of beef to the household, he and Mallory steal the family car, leaving a note scrawled in beef blood, promises of things to come.

Indeed, from the beginning of the film, twisted camera angles and skewed shots create an intense feeling of tension. Stone doesn't let the viewer sit back and watch. Rather, the viewer is carried along on the same roller-coaster that Mickey and Mallory have hi-jacked. The film jumps from color to news-reel black-and-white, as if Mickey and Mallory are imagining how the scenes will look in their story on TV. They crash along in their convertible against a psychedelic background of dust tunnels, demons and ever-running animals. Windows and doors often show not the outside world but instead a piecemeal of film-clips and feral images — the demonic contents of the Knoxs' psychotic minds.

The music adds to the tension, as well. Most of the incidental music is made up of collages of sound, combining music, TV clips, voices and other sounds. The soundtrack features Nine Inch Nails, Leonard Cohen, L7 and Dr. Dre, as well as classical works, world music and vintage pieces by Bob Dylan and others. The soundtrack, produced by Trent Reznor of Nine Inch Nails and available from Atlantic Records, integrates chunks of dialogue with the alternately driving and mellow music. Listening to the soundtrack is almost as hard as watching the film — but, while most soundtracks are just made up of songs from the film, this one serves as a shorter, aural version of the film itself. It seamlessly captures the feel as well as the sound of the movie.

Satire is perhaps too mild a word for this ambitious and over-reaching work. It attacks everyone in turn, just as the killers do — the cops who are as guilty as the criminals they pursue, the "journalists" so ready to turn any anarchist or rebel into a larger-than-life hero/anti-hero, the brain-dead masses who allow the media to define for them what is wrong and what is "cool." As the film ends, Stone runs through clips of too-famous media trials — the Menendez brothers, Rodney King, Lorena Bobbit, O.J. Simpson. We have just seen the encapsulation of another (fictional, but no more fictionalized) TV event, lives lived and lost to feed the appetites of the attention-deficit public.

# Busy students should seek nutritional balance



**Barbara McHenry**

## Nutrition

Welcome back to a semester of living and learning, spiced with a dash of intrigue regarding unexplored subjects and, possibly, unfamiliar instructors. These ingredients, however, need not put one in a stew of emotional stress if we can affect a balance in all things.

It is proven to be extremely beneficial during an active college schedule to pump plenty of oxygen to the muscles and brain through regular exercise — at least by climbing three flights of stairs on a regular basis. Students are also advised to take a short break or two while devoting, on the average, a couple of hours of study per subject. So too are the benefits great for many individuals who take the care to eat a balanced diet of a wide variety of food in moderate portions four to six times each day (rather than three large meals a day).

The body is an amazing energy-burning machine that is capable — sometimes for years — of "making do" by accomplishing feats such as reverting certain proteins or carbohydrates that are consumed into the particular types of fuel required (but no made available). Yet, the eventual effects of this irresponsible assumption of infallibility will too often lead to a rude awakening later in life with the reality of poor physical and/or mental health.

It would seem that, barring heredity and industrial pollution factors, the extent of damage caused to a human body would be in direct proportion to that individual's knowledge on the subject. Although basic academic nutrition information has been made available to the public throughout the years, the increasing power of free speech through the ever expanding media has accomplished quite a "brainwashing" effect as well.

The financial gain of the individual with the message is one influential factor in point. The second point being that the majority of Americans are preoccupied with all types of vocational or pastime interests other than food and nutrition research. This only naturally leaves these individuals somewhat susceptible to consumer information that is randomly whisked into their consciousness during opportune moments for the message giver — like 20 or so commercials per television program.

It is the intention of this writer to bring to attention bits of current or uncommonly known nutrition information as "food for thought" peppered with an opinion or two. This information will be presented by a perfect example of an imperfect individual resolute in the research of repairing ill health through nutrition with the motto "pass it on."

Comments regarding these articles will be welcomed. Always keep in mind that Northwestern has a commendable staff of nutrition instructors for students' academic health and nutrition guidance.

## Current Quotes

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***July Walker, Fr., Pollock, LA.***



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***Amy Jones, Soph., Moss Bluff, LA.***



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***Jennifer Porche, Jr., Lafayette, LA.***



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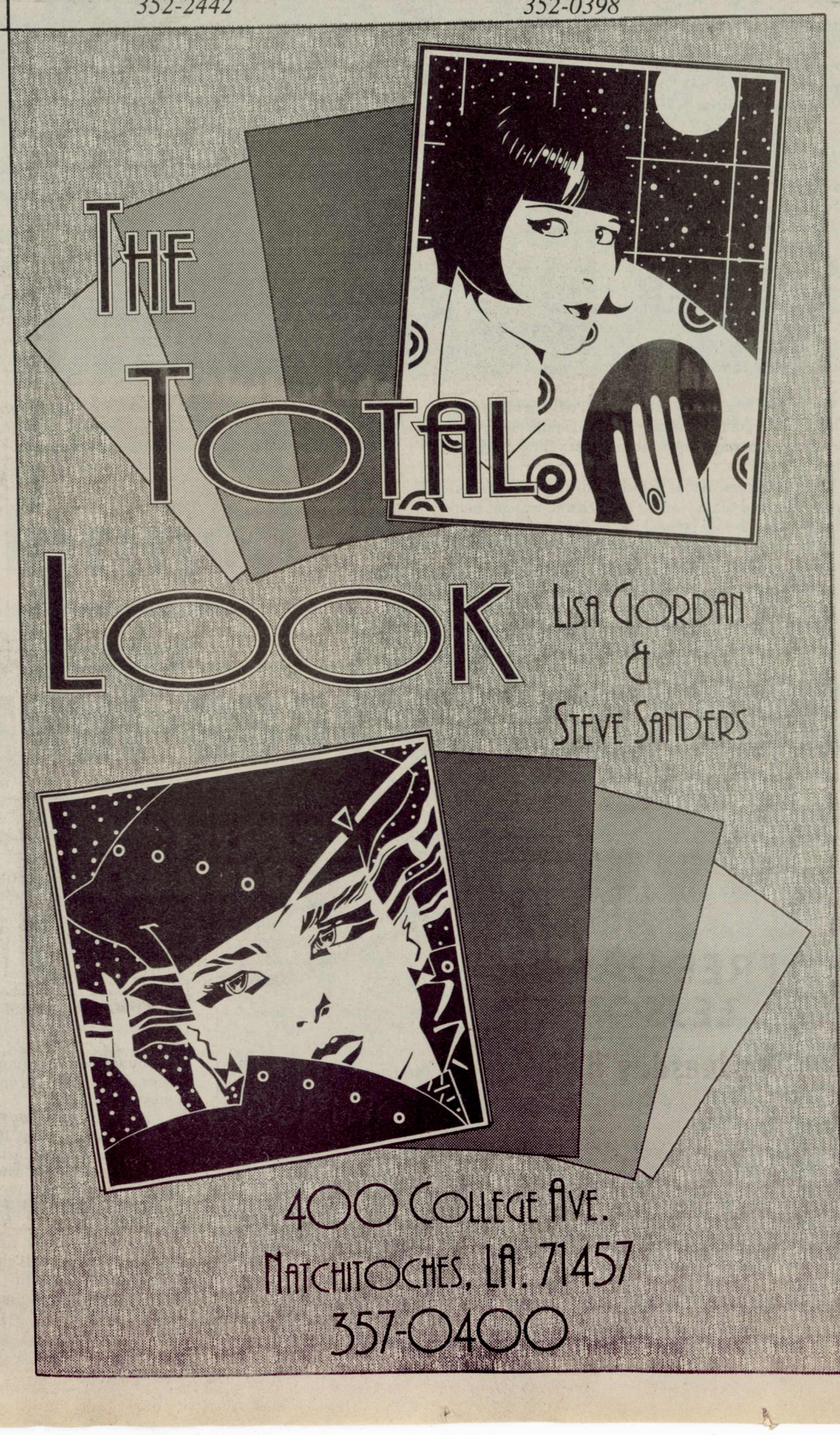
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# Headline for NSU football

Kelvin Pierre
*The Current Sauce*

After months of preparation, the 1994 Northwestern State Demon football team will kick off their season Saturday against defending Southwestern Athletic Conference champion Southern University at 7 p.m. in Turpin Stadium.

Starting his twelfth season, Head Coach Sam Goodwin is pleased with the team's progress since spring practices and said the Demons are improving every practice.

"We have a lot of talent returning," Goodwin said. "If we can keep everyone healthy we should have a good season."

The Demons, 5-6 last season, begin this season without starting quarterback Brad Laird and senior Academic All-America center John Dippel.

Laird, a two-year starter, suffered a shoulder injury during last week's scrimmage, and Dippel suffered a knee injury during the Demons' first full-contact practice.

Goodwin said the defense is stronger than the offense at this point, and the defensive line may be the best since he's been here.

Junior defensive tackle Nathan Platt, who started nine games last season, anchors the defensive line. Platt played his best game last season against McNeese when he recorded six tackles.

Robert Oliver, Tracy Harris, Robert Wright, Carl Taylor, Joe Cummings and Jason Storm have will also see extensive action on the defensive line.

Senior Steve Readeaux, last season's leading tackler with 10.1 per game and 101 on the season, will lead the linebackers. Readeaux is projected as one of the top returning linebackers in the Southland Conference.

The big surprise at linebacker is Tyler Junior College transfer George Haynes, who stepped in and really impressed the coaches last spring.

"George has really showed us a lot," Goodwin said. "He may be an all-Conference performer."

Kevin Calmes and Terry Johnson will also see extensive action at inside linebacker, and Marlon Edward will play at outside linebacker.

The secondary is Goodwin biggest concern defensively, but he thinks that Tony Echols, Chris Willis, Kevin Rhodes, Tremayne Evans and Don Butler will contribute to the Demons' solid defense.

Offensively, the Demons have depth at the skill positions, but not on the offensive line.

"The offensive line is really thin," Goodwin said. "Dippel is out for Saturday and if someone else goes down it will certainly hurt us."

Goodwin said that it's important offensive linemen Neal Sharkey, Jayson Hayes, Joel Ferguson, Stuart Archer, Derrick LeBlanc and Joel Ferguson remain healthy.

Sophomore quarterback Brian Andrews replaces Laird and Goodwin is confident in his leadership against Southern.

"Brian has been throwing the ball well," Goodwin said. "He's improving every practice."

As for the Demon backfield, senior fullback Danny Alexander and Sophomore tailback Clarence Matthews will undoubtedly lead the Demons' running attack.

Alexander, last season's second leading rusher, is also a threat at receiver.

"Danny is a team leader and a strong runner," Goodwin said. "His versatility really helps this team."

Matthews, who received a medical redshirt last season after undergoing an emergency appendectomy, was the leading rusher against Southern last year gaining 81 yards on 11 carries.

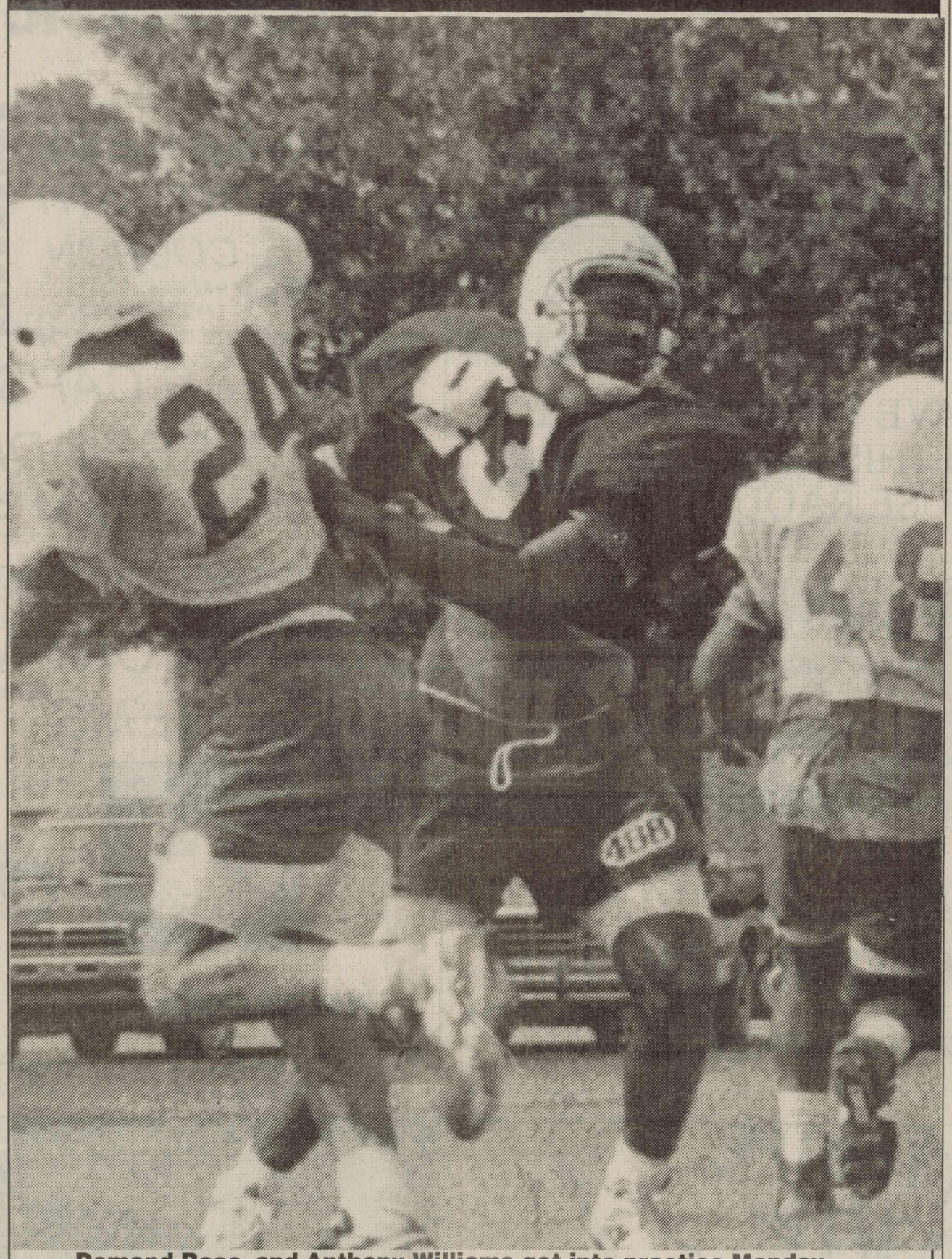
Wide receivers James Brock and Jared Johnston, both starters and team leaders last season, will get help from tight end Preston Arnold.

As for the kicking game, senior Jason Fernandez will place kick, and junior John Louviere will punt.

Overall, Goodwin is confident the Demons will play well against Southern and hopes to have a record turnout.

"I hope that Labor Day weekend doesn't hurt attendance," Goodwin said. "This should be a great game."

## Rough Draft



**Demond Rose and Anthony Williams get into practice Monday in preparation for Saturday's game against Southern**

## 1994 PRE-SEASON FOOTBALL POLLS

### First Place Votes in Parenthesis

**Coaches Poll**
(Coach cannot vote for own team)
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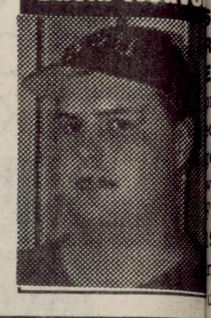
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| 7 Southwest Texas | 13 | |

# College Playoffs?

When Nebraska and West Virgini met this past Sunday in college football' 1994 Kickoff Classic, it marked the begin ning of yet another exciting season whic will undoubtedly end with a big disput over the national championship.

Think about it — when has there beer a clear-cut national champion in recen memory — other than maybe Alabama two years ago? Even last season's cham pion, Florida State, has been widely dis puted.

Notre Dame, which handed the Seminoles their only loss of the season, finished with the same record as the champions.




Auburn, the only undefeated, untied team in Division I last season, was shackled by NCAA probation, and even national runner-up Nebraska, who lost in the closing seconds

## SPORTS TALK

of the Orange Bowl to Florida State, could have made a strong argument to wear the crown last season.

The only solution to stop all the questions would be a college football playoff, and I personally have devised such a playoff with a great deal of thought, or about as much as I can give any one subject.

College football basically involves eight major conferences: the Big East, Atlantic Coast, Southeastern, Big Ten, Big Eight, Pacific 10, Southwest and the Western Athletic. For purposes of my plan, I'll predict a probable 1994 champion for each of these conferences: Miami (Big East), Florida State (ACC), Florida (SEC), Michigan (Big Ten), Nebraska (Big Eight), UCLA (Pac-10), Texas (Southwest), and Brigham Young (WAC). These eight teams, as a reward for winning their respective conferences, would receive an automatic berth in the tournament. After all, shouldn't conference champions be awarded something besides a pat on the back for a conference title?

But, isn't it also unfair to independent schools, such as Notre Dame? What about those teams that may have lost only one game, perhaps to the conference champ?

I've got that covered, too. In the tournament, there would also be eight "open" berths to be filled, as well. This would make a 16-team field — four extra playoff games for a team to win a true national title. These teams would be selected by an NCAA selection committee, much like the one used to select teams for the NCAA Basketball Tournament, and the selection committee would set up seedings for the sixteen teams.

These matchups would almost certainly generate record television audiences, and the following week's semifinal games, Nebraska vs. Notre Dame and Florida vs. Florida State, would probably outdo that. Then the winners of the semifinals — Notre Dame and Florida — would meet in a genuine national championship game on New Year's Night.

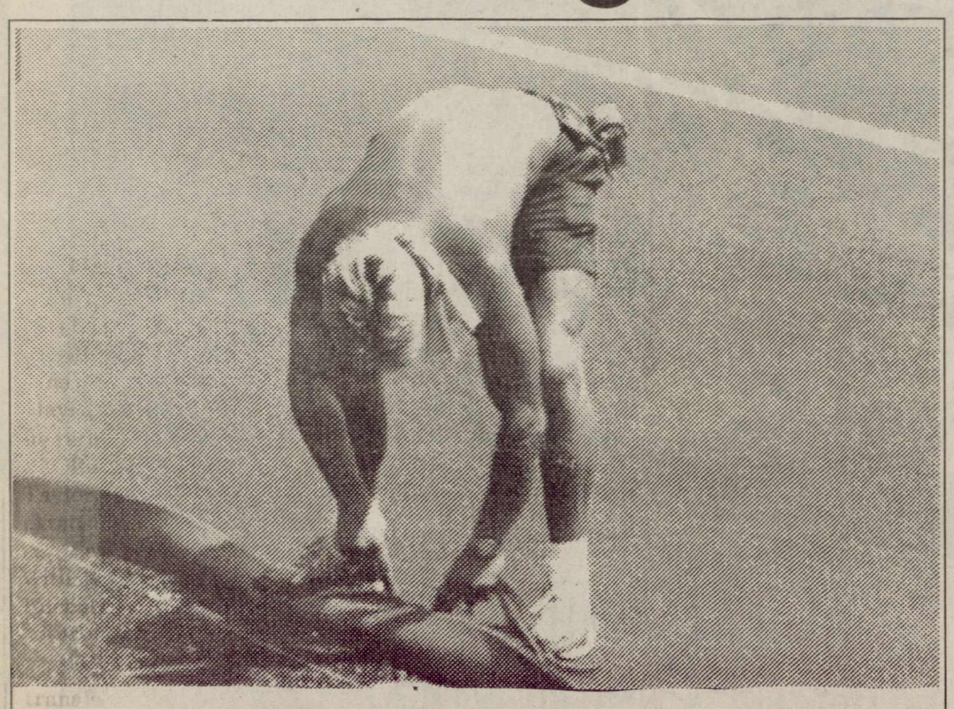
Now, before all you bowl game lovers start calling for my arrest, wait just a minute. I wouldn't cut bowl games out of the picture at all. The bowls could go on as usual with teams left out of the national championship tournament. This would reward such schools as Tennessee, Syracuse and Penn State with a postseason bowl game as recognition for a strong, solid season. Simply put, the bowls would be used to allow more teams the opportunity for postseason action.

Think about it . . . . a 16 team, one-month long supertournament that would make the basketball tournament look bush league. Playoff games of this sort in college football would generate five times the amount of revenue for the NCAA than is taken in from the bowls. Throw in those same bowl games, with more schools involved . . . .

Only baseball players would argue with that kind of money, and only because no amount of money would satisfy them. The only drawback would be starting the tournament so close to final exams to meet the New Year's Day deadline. But something could surely be worked out.

This playoff could happen and college football could finally put away the misery of selecting its national champion.

# New turf graces Turpin Stadium



**A worker makes finishing touches on the new turf Thursday**

Mike Whitmire
*The Current Sauce*

Installation of the new artificial playing field at Turpin Stadium was completed last weekend, insuring Northwestern's home opener against Southern University will go as scheduled Saturday.

This surface replaces turf brought from the Louisiana Superdome in 1987, and this is just the second time in the stadium's 19-year history that new carpet has been installed.

Donnie Cox, coordinator of athletic facilities, said the turf is one of the best that money can buy.

"It's under warranty for eight years," he said. "But it should last 10 to 12 years, and the pad will probably last 20 years."

A new method of sewing the turf and using an improved glue have eliminated many of the problems that plagued artificial turf in the past.

"The problem with turf in the past was after about two years it shrinks a little and the seams started pulling apart," Cox said. "With the seams being partially sewn and the new glue they say the problems with the seams are over."

The newly installed pad is also a recent innovation which replaces a foam pad which hardens with time. Instead of foam the pad is a mixture of rubber, glue and crushed rock, applied like asphalt. The pad is about 1 3/8 inches thick.

Demon defensive end Jason Storm said the new rug has helped bring some added excitement to the football team.

"This field is a lot softer and has fewer seams," he said. "It is more like one solid piece of turf. With all the changes this year it is like a whole new world. We've got a new field, a new addition to the weight room and it has help pick up everybody's moral."

The Louisiana State Legislature funded the $637,000 project through their capital outlay program. Capital outlay is the program through which Louisiana renovates its property — including that of state universities like Northwestern.

Balsam, the parent company of AstroTurf, laid the new surface in quick fashion and finished ahead of its Aug. 31 deadline.

"This may be the fastest turf job ever done," Cox said. "They've put in about 90 percent of the fields in the United States and told me this is most people they've ever used on a job. They were the hardest working bunch of guys I've ever seen."



**Lifestyle:**

Miss LOB uses influence to help fight eating disorders among young women

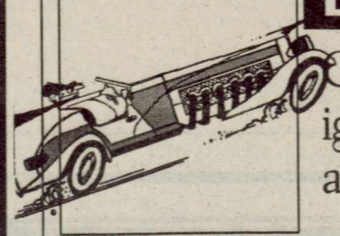
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Tough offense puts Jaguars on top in Saturday's game against Northwestern

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Campus safety too often ignored by both pedestrians and motorists

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# CurrentSauce

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# More construction planned for ADA compliance

JANE BALDWIN
*The Current Sauce*

Walking through dirt and mud to get to Kyser Hall and other university buildings may be inconvenient now, but the construction is part of a plan to make the campus more handicap accessible and beautiful, according to W. K. Norman.

"We had to develop a transition plan to meet with ADA [Americans with Disabilities Act] requirements for all building accesses, sidewalks, parking lots, interiors of buildings and restroom facilities," said Norman, the Northwestern ADA coordinator and assistant director of the physical plant.

Norman said that in the 1980s, Northwestern had to comply with section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act. The Act demands all public facilities be handicap accessible. The University, for example, made renovations such as adding ramps and sidewalks to provide easier access. Now, Northwestern must comply with ADA regulations such as installing elevators in all buildings and adding more handicap parking spaces.

The transition plan was developed for the main Northwestern campus along with the Shreveport and Leesville/Fort Polk campuses.

"I have to develop a plan that will go to the administration that they have to adhere to," Norman said. "That plan will be in the works for about a year. In the meantime, we have given them [the disabled] an alternative route."

In the alternative plan, no parking will be available around Kyser Hall except for three to five spaces for handicap parking at the south end of the building along with regular handicap parking in the commuter and faculty parking lots. An new access road has been built from the Student Union parking lot to the south end of Kyser Hall.

According to Norman, the University will construct sidewalks and several new ramps from all the commuter parking lots by Kyser, Williamson, Morrison, Home Economics and Fournet halls.

Meanwhile, the construction made entering Kyser Hall difficult for the disabled during the summer.

"They never expected us to be here," Michelle Stracner, a senior social work/sociology major from Pitkin, said. "The ramps are always broken up or too steep."

Jill Rogers, a senior veterinary technician/business major from Alexandria, helps push Stracner around campus, but not without dif

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## World Report

### CAMPUS

**NORTHWESTERN PROFESSOR BELIEVES CIVICS REDUCES REPEAT OFFENDERS:** Frank Fuller, assistant professor of adult and continuing education, believes teaching government to prison inmates will prevent repeat offenders. Fuller has been working since 1980 to implement government into the prison education curriculum. **PAGE 2**

**LONDON TRIP NOW AVAILABLE THROUGH NORTHWESTERN:** Spending new Year's Day in London may be the ideal vacation for many students now that Northwestern is hosting a trip to England. Those taking part in the trip Dec. 26-Jan. 6 will be eligible for credit in Fine Arts 1040. **PAGE 2**

### CITY

**LSMSA TO HOLD SILENT AUCTION:** The Louisiana School for Math, Science and the Arts will host an evening of entertainment Sept. 11 to kick off their second annual fund raiser. Over $20,000 was donated last year.

**SALARY PROBLEMS STILL PLAGUE SCHOOL BOARD:** The Natchitoches School Board's new salary raise for all school employees is still under fire. Dr. James Guin, principal of Lakeview High School, sought adjustments to his salary Thursday arguing that he was compensated for having less than 20 teachers. Under the new salary plan approved this summer, a principal's salary is based on the total number of teachers evaluated by that principal.

### STATE

**TAX POLL REVEALS SOUTHERN DEMOCRATS AS HEAVY SPENDERS:** The National Taxpayers Union found that Southern Democrats are the top spenders in Congress with Sen. J. Bennett Johnston at the lead. **PAGE 7**

### NATION

**FEMALES CLOSING THE GAP ON ACT AND SAT SCORES:** Women continue to narrow the male-female gaps in their ACT and SAT scores. This year's college-bound high school women continued to score higher than their predecessors reflecting better preparation in math and science courses. Women's ACT scores lag behind men's scores by only two-tenths of a percent. Meanwhile, since 1987, female test-takers narrowed the male-female gaps in SAT scores by six points for the math and verbal section.

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# Graduate classes to better evaluate teaching methods

KARI CHAMPION
*The Current Sauce*

The Division of Education is implementing several experimental graduate classes for the 1994-95 school year.

These courses are designed to teach and test new teaching methods for elementary and secondary educators. The students involved in these courses are working teachers who wish to adapt to the changes taking place in the rapidly growing field of education.

The new classes include Education 5800, design and implementation of instructional systems; educational technology selection and utilization of information and technology resources; Educational Technology 5700, selection and utilization of information and technology resources; Educational Technology 5730, instructional television in education; Reading 5050, whole language and models of literacy instruction and Special Education 5520, methods of classroom organization management and motivation.

The Board of Elementary and Secondary Education awarded five grants to Northwestern to provide tuition exemptions for teachers who complete the designated courses and also take follow-up courses in the spring.

Some of these classes are being offered this fall, and others will be offered in the spring and summer sessions. The instructors for educational technology classes are Dr. William Hunt and Drew Moore. The special education class is taught by Dr. Barbara Duchardt, and Dr. Leslie Marlow is teaching Reading 5050.

According to Dr. Sue Weaver, chair of the Division of Education, Northwestern is one of the first

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# Accidents Happen




**Pictured is the result of the second automobile accident on campus since the beginning of the semester. While no serious injuries resulted from the Wednesday accident, vehicular safety is becoming more of a concern with the increase of students and traffic. See our editorial on the subject: page 4.** PHOTO BY JEFF GUIN

# New degree formed

MIRANDA COON
*The Current Sauce*

Students can now learn more about the fine art of making people's vacation go a lot smoother through a new major: hospitality, management and tourism, now offered through Northwestern.

The new degree prepares graduates for employment in some of the world's fastest growing industries, providing training for management positions in restaurants and food service, hotels and lodging, commercial recreation and travel-related business.



**Pierson**

Northwestern established the hospitality, management and tourism degree separatly from the home economics degree because of employment opportunities and new career fields that will become available to graduates.

According to Pat Pierson, coordinator of the Home Economics department, student response to this new degree has been "excellent."

"With everything that's happening in Natchitoches and with tourism, it's a natural fit," she said.

## *"I think it's a major for the 21st century"*

PAT PIERSON
DIRECTOR, HOME ECONOMICS

"We've had a lot of students express interest and many restaurants and hotels would call us or graduates."

So far, 24 students are enrolled in the degree. Pierson said as more students discover this new major, the number of enrollment will increase. "I think it's a major for the 21st Century."

Pierson said she began looking into the possibility of beginning a hospitality and tourism degree at Northwestern about a year and a half ago. While researching and finding out more information about the degree, Pierson found 76,000 annual management positions available or needed and only 60,000 students enrolled in the degree through out the nation.

"There was a need for more programs," she said. "It's a program a lot of students can grab on to and it's a fun curriculum."

The three areas of emphasis are recreation administration, travel and tourism and hospitality services.

Recreation administration prepares graduates for a variety of commercial recreational settings and management positions in state and national parks, theme parks, recreational parks and many other jobs with a recreational theme.

Incorporating a strong history background, travel and tourism includes basic courses in travel and tourism designed for those students wishing to work for airlines, travel agencies, visitor bureaus, historic museums and related fields.

The last area includes a strong emphasis on food service and institutional management. The curriculum prepares graduates for management jobs in such careers as restaurant and hotel management and school and hospital service.

As of now, one new faculty member has been added to the program. Jim Esco holds a master's degree in hotel and restaurant management from Michigan State University. Pierson hopes more professors will be added in upcoming semesters.

"This was Dr. Alost's vision," Pierson said.

"I'm thrilled with the response so far."

# *Argus* moves to Student Union; opens fall contest

SARA FARRELL
*The Current Sauce*

Despite office relocation to Rm. 239 in the Student Union, Northwestern's literary magazine, known as *Argus,* will be up and running by Sept. 8.

Due to the graduate program's expansion and the overflow of Scholars' College into offices previously inhabited by graduate students, *Argus* was forced to give up its space in the Department of Language and Communications.

"It's a smaller office," Amy Daldry, editor of *Argus*, said. "Perhaps it will be more accessible to students. I would definitely like to be move back [into Kyser] because *The Current Sauce* and *Potpourri* are here, and it's nice to have the media all in one place."

The move has not slowed down the operations of the magazine's staff. Daldry said that interested students may apply for poetry, fiction, non-fiction, art or associate editor positions. Minor scholarships will be available only to editors, but other staff positions remain open.

Students may pick up applications from the SGA, Scholars' College and Language and Communications Department offices, or from adviser Dr. Helaine Ross, but need to turn them in to the *Argus* mailbox located in the Language and Communications Office by Sept. 9.

The *Argus* contest begins Sept. 8 and includes categories in poetry, nonfiction (including scholarly and personal essays), fiction and art. Winners in each section receive prizes of $50, $75 or $100.

Entries should be turned in with four to five copies and cover sheets. The tentative deadline is Oct. 21.

## Northwestern hosts London trip

Many students will spend the New Year in London now that a 10-day tour of that city is now available through Northwestern's Office of International Progarms.

Participants will visit sites including Buckingham Palace, Piccadilly Circle and the Royal Museum, as well as attend theater, concerts and lectures.

Bill Brent will lead the tour, Dec. 26 through Jan. 6. Brent is head of the Mrs. H. D. Dear Sr. and Alice E. Dear Department of Creative and Performing Arts and director of bands. Those taking part in the trip are eligible for credit in Fine Arts 1040.

"This trip will be educational as well as entertaining," Brent said. "Those taking part will experience a variety of artistic and cultural experiences in one of the world's great cities."

The price for the trip will be $1,799, which includes roundtrip airfare, transfers, hotel and breakfast for 10 days as well as admission to various cultural and theatrical events as part of the class. Tuition for class credit is additional and based on the applicable costs at the time of registration.

The deadline for all applications is Oct. 19 with a non-refundable deposit of $100. Students in the travel study program may receive financial aid depending on each individual's eligibility.

For more information, contact Office of International Programs, Northwestern State University, NSU Box 5272, Natchitoches, La. 71497, or call 357-5213.

## Henderson selected to attend conference in Florida

Dr. Martha V. Henderson, coordinator of library automation, has accepted a third three-year appointment to the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education Board of Examiners.

NCATE is the premiere accrediting agency for evaluating programs that prepare teachers.

Henderson will attend a training session in Destin, Fla., Nov. 3-6 for those BOE members conducting the five-year accreditation visits.



**A record crowd of 15,000 watches the Demons play their home-opener against Southern in Turpin Stadium** PHOTO BY JEFF FLETCHER

## Civics could help reduce crime

Teaching prisoners to read and write is not enough to prevent them from committing crimes after they are released, but a course in government plays an important role in reducing the number of repeat offenders.

Frank Fuller, an assistant professor of adult and continuing education in Northwestern's Division of Education, will present a paper, *Civic Education: Its Place in Adult Basic Education for Corrections Populations*, at a meeting of the American Association of Adult and Continuing Education in Nashville later this year.

Fuller maintains that having literacy skills and a job are not enough to prevent people from committing crimes.

"Research indicates that about 40 percent of people who commit felonies are employed at the time they are arrested," Fuller said. "Traditional educational goals are to give felons pre-employment skills so they can get a job. But if they have a have job when they are arrested, a GED is not going to help. Other strategies are needed."

While working with probation officers in Texas during the 1980s, Fuller came up with the idea of adding government to the prison education curriculum.

The basic government course would be personalized to meet the needs of specific probation or parole officers. He said his work was not designed to eliminate repeat offenders, but was one tool that could be effective in many cases.

"Our goal was to teach the clients an understanding of the court system, how the government worked, and their role in society," he said. "We wanted to show them that there are rewards for functioning within the structure of family and society. Those rewards aren't always apparent but they are there."

Fuller added that teaching basic government has a practical aspect.

## Professor's musical composition revived

A composition written in the 1960s by a music faculty member has found new life.

Alliance Music Publications of Houston recently published the original work, *Kyrie Eleison*, composed in 1964 by Dr. William Hunt, professor of music.

The work has been submitted for inclusion in the prescribed music list for Texas high school music festivals. This list is also adopted by the Louisiana Music Educators Association for high school music festivals in Louisiana. The composition will be included in new music clinics throughout the country this year.

"Keith has performed several of my pieces over the years," Hunt said. "This piece was one that has been laying around for years and has been performed occasionally. I have never sought publication of any of my pieces, but I'm glad that perhaps more people will use and enjoy this one."

*Kyrie Eleison* was written to be performed a cappella by soprano and alto voices. Hunt said the Greek language text is ordinary of the pre-1960s Catholic mass which had one movement in Greek.

Alliance Music Publications has commissioned additional compositions from Hunt. Hunt said he enjoys the composing process but doesn't have as much time to compose as he would like.

One aid for composers is the development of computer programs that greatly speed up the creative process.

"With the composition programs available, it doesn't take as long to get a piece ready for performance," Hunt said. "You can compose into the computer and have the computer play it back and do the notations."

## Hungry? Try PizzaNet

University of California-Santa Cruz students are the first in the nation to be able to order pizza by Internet.

Pizza Hut jumped on the information super highway by making their pizza available via the Net in late August. Hungry students engaged in late-night global conversations can order their pizza and won't even have to leave their computers until the doorbell rings.

This could be the next big step in the pizza delivery business," Jon Payne, Pizza Hut's director of development, said. "There is a huge, untapped market of computer users who are looking for different and exciting ways to use the Internet."

The company has decided to try PizzaNet in the college town because of the large concentration of Internet users in the area.

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The information is then transmitted via the Internet back to the company's headquarters in Wichita, Kan., where it is priced and routed to the local Pizza Hut.

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MINUTES FOR THE NORTHWESTERN STATE UNIVERSITY STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION MEETING 05/09/94

The meeting was called to order by President Blair Dickens at 7:05 p.m. The prayer was led by Will Villeuman and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Angela Robinson. Jonathan Gauthier called roll; Jeff Foshee, Kyle Moore, Monisha Shamburger and Melissa Maubou were not present. A motion to approve the minutes was made and thus passed.

Dean Fulton spoke to the SGA about respecting our fellow colleagues and the other participants in the meeting. He stressed the importance of discussing the two issues of ARGUS and KNWD separately. Blair said the Media board decided to stand by its recommendations and that the Senate can accept or reject its recommendations; also, the Senate will have the opportunity to question the candidates.

Maddie moved to elect President of the Senate. Nominations included Angela Robinson and nominations were closed. Angela was voted the new President of the Senate.

Maddie moved that SGA executive board to act on behalf of SGA in summer—motion passed.

Maddie moved to accept Jeff Guin as the Current Sauce editor—motion passed.

Maddie moved to accept Jeremy Broussard as Poppouri editor—motion passed.

Maddie moved to approve Amy Daldry as editor of ARGUS. Amy Daldry spoke. Randy Price spoke, questioning Amy's attendance. They deliberated.

Angela called for point of order—to address all questions to the chair.

Mark Alexander said Amy Daldry was nominated twice by the Media board.

Maddie moved to go into executive session, motion passed and the session lasted from 7:30-7:40.

Maddie moved to vote by secret ballot, seconded and passed. Angela announced to vote.

Amy Daldry 13
Randy Price 1
Jacinda and Angela counted votes.

Maddie moved to approve Shawn Shayner as manager of KNWD. Shawn spoke—he was approved twice by the Media board. Blair asked Shawn to read his 35 letters.

Angela asked for more discussion. Many spoke for and against this nomination. After much deliberation Wendy motioned to go into executive session, motion passed—executive session lasted from 8:08-8:35. Maddie moved to end executive session. The meeting was called back to order—after a while of deliberating Maddie moved to vote by secret ballot. Jacinda called for vote.

9 against
5 for motion for whether or not to approve Shawn as general manager of KNWD. motion failed.

Blair talked about new business, and much was approved in accepting and changing the by-laws.

2.1.2—2 abstentions, passes; 2.13—2 abstentions, failed; 2.14—2 abstentions, passes; 2.15—2 abstentions, passes; 2.1.6—1 abstention, passes.

Wendy moved to ammend 4.5.7—2 opposed 1 abstention motion passes.

Maddie moved to go back to new business, motion passed.

Blair said if none is decided on someone will be appointed manager for the summer. It was decided to give the decision to the executive board. Maddie moved to adjourn.

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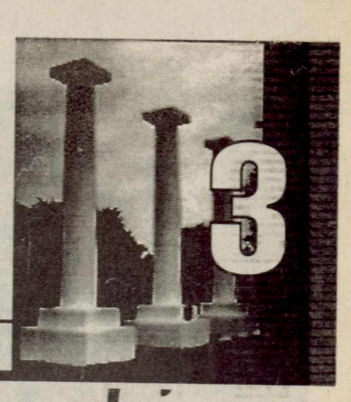
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# Theater students prepare for challenging roles in *A Chorus Line*

HEATHER COOLEY
*The Current Sauce*

Rehearsals for the first production of the Northwestern State University Theatre Department 1994-1995 season, *A Chorus Line*, are well under way.

The season features material that "will be both challenging and exciting to the faculty and students," Dr. Jack Wann, artistic director, said.

Michael Bennett's, *A Chorus Line*, is not only the world's longest running musical, but has also won nine Tony Awards and the Pulitzer Prize. The production examines stories about different characters and why each of them went into show business. *A Chorus Line* reflects the ups and downs of trying to win a role in a Broadway Show and audiences can expect to see plenty of singing and dancing.

"There is a series of monologues and there is a series of singing parts that tell the story as they are singing," Ed Brazo, director/choreographer of *A Chorus Line*, said.

"*A Chorus Line* will be extremely challenging from the point of what it will do to the growth of our dance program," Wann said.

Bennett's staging brings the bittersweet existence of the Broadway chorus dancer into sharp focus. Marvin Hamlisch's music succeeds in enriching and expanding the sometimes funny, sometimes tragic stories of the dedicated young artists.

"The cast is fantastic. They are adapting to it [*A Chorus Line*] like fish to water, and we have understudies for everyone, so the understudies will be ready," Brazo said.

The cast list includes Scott Gaudin (Don), Stephanie Hodgdon (Maggie), Jeff Williams (Mike), Joanie Garner (Connie), Randy Thompson (Bobby), Brandi Poche (Cassie), Holly Wilrodt (Shelia), Doug Lowry (Greg), Jenny Kendrick (Bebe), Abby Carmichael (Judy), Hank Cannon (Ritchie), Ryan Glorioso (Al), Angel Guidroz (Kristine), Carla Hallock (Val), Walter Allen II (Mark), Keith Campbell (Paul), Noel Miller (Diana), Brad Burton (Zach) and Lynne Lawrence (Lori).

"It is going to be a great show," Allen, who plays Mark an 18-year-old from Arizona, said. "It shows you what a performer's life is and what they have to go through. Even if you aren't a performer, you can identify with someone in the line."

"Even though we have a relatively short time, the show is moving right along," Cannon, who plays Ritchie, said. "It will be great on opening night!"

"I think the show is going to throw Natchitoches through a loop, I really do," Brazo said.

Performances for the general public will be 7:30 p.m. Sept. 29-30. The theater department will present a special "outreach performance" for schools at 10 a.m. Sept. 28.

Tickets will be available in the theater box office. Northwestern students can receive two free tickets with a current identification card. Admission for the general public is $4 for adults and $2 for senior citizens.

# Resident says apartments offer 'best of both worlds'

SYLVIA FIELDS AND HEATHER URENA
*The Current Sauce*

Many college students are enjoying the comfort and luxury of living off-campus and the benefits of living on-campus, since the Aug. 18 opening of University Columns Apartments.

The apartment complex consists of 10 residential buildings with six community assistants. Each assistant is charged with scheduling events and activities. Some tentative activities are a pool party, breakfast meetings, movie night, self-defense classes, resume-writing seminars and aerobics. Residents attend activities in the club house or in a community assistant's apartment.

"It is more of an adult world because it is going to teach me how to manage money and to take on responsibility," Melissa Mabou, apartment resident, said.

Mabou has lived in dormitories for the past three years, and this is the first apartment she ever rented. She and a roommate share a two-bedroom, two-bath apartment. Each pays $292 per month for rent. Utilities, phone service and groceries are their other expenses. Basic cable is free.

The apartment management arranged to have representatives from South Central Bell, City of Natchitoches Department of Utilities and TCA Cable Company on site for residents to make the other necessary arrangements for apartment living.

"I was tired of having regulated visiting hours," Mabou said. "This has got the best of both worlds. It's a nice facility and you pay for what you get. I love it.

"The cost of living is approximately $350 per month, but each student is paying $300 more if he or she is living on campus. The apartments offer the students more than what the dormitories do. I have a lot of quiet time since I am in classes most of the day. I don't have to worry about dealing with loud music, and I can get a lot of studying done."

Some crews worked through Labor Day to maintain the grounds, until the security gates and fences can be completed. But the residential areas have long been completed and decorated to individual taste.

The girls rearranged some of the furniture to better meet their needs, but, according to Mabou, renting the furniture is a lot less expensive than going out and buying some to furnish a new apartment.

"Honestly, when you get your first apartment . . . . It would end up costing the same thing [as dorm life] because I would have to get furniture," Mabou said. "And I don't have anything.

"Both of our parents gave us hand-me downs. We haven't spent a lot on our apartment. We got a lot of stuff from home. And I'm a plant fanatic."

Mabou, like many other residents has been enjoying the flexibility of apartment life. "I can decorate the apartment to meet my satisfaction. You have more freedom and more space of expanding the way you want to live. The managers place students together in the apartments according to classification, so we are comfortable with the age groups."

Mabou also enjoys the benefits of being on campus. "I really feel secure since we're on campus still. And my parents are really happy about that. Campus police goes through here every night.

"These new apartments are a big step for Northwestern," Mabou said. "It is a positive thing that is happening for Northwestern, and it's going forward."



**Plants adorn the inside of Mabou's new apartment. She likes the apartments because "it's a nice facility and you pay for what you get."**

# Miss LOB gives steps to healing from eating disorder

DAWN VALLERY
*The Current Sauce*

Eating disorders have been on the rise women over the last few years. However, orexia nervosa, the process of denying the dy food, and bulimia, the process of eating cessively then purging, have been around r centuries. Both disorders have plagued ny women (and men) from all walks of e.

Neither had been discussed openly un- Karen Carpenter, a famous singer from e 1970s, died from anorexia. Because of r death, people began to take a serious erest in the treatment and prevention of ese diseases.

Rebecca Bacle, Miss Northwestern Lady the Bracelet, is one who takes this issue ry seriously. She has taken an active inrest in eating disorders because of her volvement in the media and also because a friend in high school who suffered from this disease.

Bacle, as a representative of Northwestern, is encouraged to bring attention to a specific platform or issue. She has chosen to use this position to create awareness of eating disorders in the community.

Although Bacle has never engaged in this type of behavior, she feels very strongly about how the media portrays women.

"There is so much emphasis by the media placed on women's bodies," Bacle said. "The media appears to make women try to look like fashion models."

She feels strongly about the excessive emphasis put on women's physical appearance. "In broadcasting, looks are very important for both men and women, but no one seems to mind if Rush Limbaugh is overweight," Bacle said.

Because of her strong feelings about eating disorders, Bacle has begun a program called "Win with Wellness." This program is designed to educate women (and men) about the prevention of eating disorders, such as anorexia nervosa and bulimia.

"Win with Wellness" is also designed to promote a multi-faceted wellness program that focuses not only on a person's physical appearance, but on his or her mental, emotional and spiritual well-being.



**Bacle**

Bacle lectures at many schools, churches and women's groups about the dangers of eating disorders. She provides information not only about the signs and symptoms of these diseases, but also about the different organizations thatoffer effective treatment.

She emphasizes the importance of emotional wellness. "I tell people not to compare themselves to anyone else and to give 100 percent in everything they do," Bacle said.

Bacle encourages everyone to have a healthy lifestyle, which includes eating a well-balanced diet and finding a physical activity that is fun and enjoyable. She believes that a person must be willing to make the change from accomplishing weight loss quickly to something that will be a lifetime dedication.

"We all want it [weight loss] to happen overnight," Bacle said. "but we must realize that this is something that we must be dedicated to everyday."

Bacle, a firm believer in God, is quick to point out that He is the one who created us all and that He made each one of us special. "I usually close my "Win with Wellness" program with the spiritual aspect," she said.

Furthermore, Bacle feels that education about the prevention of eating disorders is the key to informing anyone who might consider just doing it once.

"By trying it just one time, could cause a chain reaction," Bacle said. She doesn't want that to happen to anyone.

HOLIDAY HISTORY

## Rosh Hashannah

HEATHER COOLEY
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Today is Rosh Hashannah, the Jewish New Year. It is a day of memorial and the "blowing of trumpets." On Rosh Hashannah each person is subject to review and judgment for the coming year.

In traditional Judaism, it is celebrated on the first two days of Tishri (September-October), however, reform Judaism observes only one day.

White is worn in Orthodox Judaism synagogues to symbolize purity. The sounding of the shofar, a ram's horn, is the main part of the service. Prayers include three parts of biblical quotations, describing the Lord's kingship, the Lord's concern for the troubled, and the blowing of the shofar.

On the first afternoon of Rosh Hashannah, traditional Judaism has the practice of visiting a body of running water containing fish. At the body of water, prayers and psalms of penitence are recited and crumbs are tossed into the water, symbolizing sins being cast away. This practice is known as tashlih.

It is also tradition on this day to greet neighbors with "May you be inscribed for a good year."

At the meal, fruit or bread is commonly dipped in honey to symbolize the hope for a sweet year. Fish, which symbolize fortune, are also eaten, but nuts are avoided because their Hebrew numerical value equals that of sin.

# Students experience culture, history in Italy trip

St. Peter's Basilica and the ancient ruis of Pompeii became a classroom for a roup which recently toured Italy as part of three-week program sponsored by Northestern International Programs.

The group, led by Dr. Jean D'Amato, ssociate professor of classics, consisted of oth Northwestern students and non-stuents. During the tour, the group spent 11 ays in Naples and 10 days in Rome.

"I probably learned more in the three eeks than I have in two years of college," aid Carla Davison, a Louisiana Scholars' ollege humanities major from Houston. To actually see the places we studied about Latin or texts and traditions put everything in perspective for me."

D'Amato designed the tour to give the roup an overview of Roman culture from ncient times.

"The idea was to start at the earliest roots of Roman culture in Greek and Italic culture and show how the cultures came together," D'Amato said.

Members of the group said D'Amato was an ideal person to lead the program.

"She [D'Amato] knows so much history and art," Elaine Johnson, a recent Northwestern graduate from Natchitoches, said. "We were able to see things in some detail and understand their importance. At some sites, we encountered tour groups who were just hurrying through. You just knew that these people weren't getting a good explanation."

While in Naples, the group stayed at the Villa Vergiliana, the headquarters of the Vergilian Society of America.

"That was such a beautiful spot," Davison said. "You could look out and see the ocean to one side, a lake to the other and look down and see the mythical entrance to the underworld and the remains of an ancient amphitheater."

Another participant, Jason Meche of Opelousas, drew strong impressions from the site of Pompeii.

"Pompeii was covered in ash 2,000 years ago," he said. "Once you start chipping away at it, the city almost comes back to life. The site is amazing because the mosaics and wall coverings are still there."

While in Rome, the group saw the underground Etruscan tombs and also toured the Vatican.

"The architecture in the Vatican and the Sistine Chapel are amazing," Meche said. "Unfortunately, it's so crowded that you can't stay there long."

Davison was amazed by the contrasts of Rome.

"As you walk down the streets, history is everywhere," she said. "The old is mingled with the new. The Roman Forum is right next door to the Italian President's home. That's the way things are, a modern building is next to one several hundred years old."

D'Amato drew the group largely from her Latin classes along with non-students who heard about the trip and wanted to take part. She said Dr. Bill Bryant, professor of art, is planning a trip to Italy next summer and will likely use the same facilities used by her group.

For more information on Northwestern International Programs, contact Thomas Whitehead at 357-5213.

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**EDITORIAL**

# Watch your step

## *You thought New York traffic was bad...*

It's almost a rite of passage at Northwestern: you look for the crosswalk, step into the street, and nearly get splattered by a sports car that apparently has just been outfitted with warp drive.

Pedestrians are an endangered lot here, as any one of them will tell you. This commuter-oriented campus (and city) tends to take a cars-first attitude when it comes to traffic and safety in spite of campus regulations that specifically state pedestrians always have the right of way. On the other hand, accidents are not always pedestrian-vehicle related.

*"How often do we students, reflecting on the termpaper due tomorrow or next week's math test, blindly navigate parking lots?"*

Northwestern has already seen two minor traffic accidents this semester. The most recent occurred around noon last Wednesday in the Caddo Hall parking lot when one driver did not notice another car pulling out of its parking space.

The scene where the accident occurred was one of chaos, characteristic of noontime in Northwestern parking lots. Classes had just let out; pedestrians scurried across streets and between cars. Other students raced for their vehicles in an attempt to beat the crowds on their way to the strip to grab a fast-food lunch. Traffic, in parking lots and the roads leading off campus, was already congested. Other students circled lots looking for freshly-vacated spaces.

Although the students involved in the fender bender were not injured, the results could have been disastrous. Suppose a pedestrian had been the one not to see the car backing from its space.

Part of the problem belongs to Northwestern. It's hard to ignore the results of a rapidly-growing student population and a seemingly declining number of parking spaces. But we are also at fault.

How often do we students, reflecting on the term paper due tomorrow or next week's math test, blindly navigate parking lots?

As hard as it is to believe, there are more important things in getting to class than finding a parking space close to the building. Getting there without killing somebody is one example.

The continued expansion of campus beautification makes it quite clear the parking problem is not going to go away during our time here. So let's take the responsibility on ourselves to leave a little earlier for class, obey the speed limits, watch for pedestrians and moving vehicles, car pool and walk instead of driving from building to building. Our safety, and sanity, depend on it.

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# Free enterprise principles should settle strike

## *Baseball players must be allowed to advance in jobs like other Americans*



**Brad Thibodaux**

**Column**

For everyone who is angry at the baseball players and thinks that it is greed that has caused this strike, I would like for you to consider this point of view.

The owners did it!

In America, people have the right to choose where they would like to work and make as much money at that job as possible. This is true for those who make $30,000 a year and those who make $5 million a year. No one should have the power to control how much a person can be paid.

If a baseball player performs and meets the expectations of his employer and the fans, then he is entitled to as much money as he can receive. This is the American way and it is called free enterprise. The proposed salary cap would end all these rights.

The salary cap is not only an attempt to control the players' income, but to socialize the game of baseball.

The cap would force the talent to be redistributed around the league in an attempt to put all teams on the same level.

Teams such as the Atlanta Braves would have to give up many of their players because they could no longer afford to keep them.

The released players would then have to go to another team for less money than what they were making before.

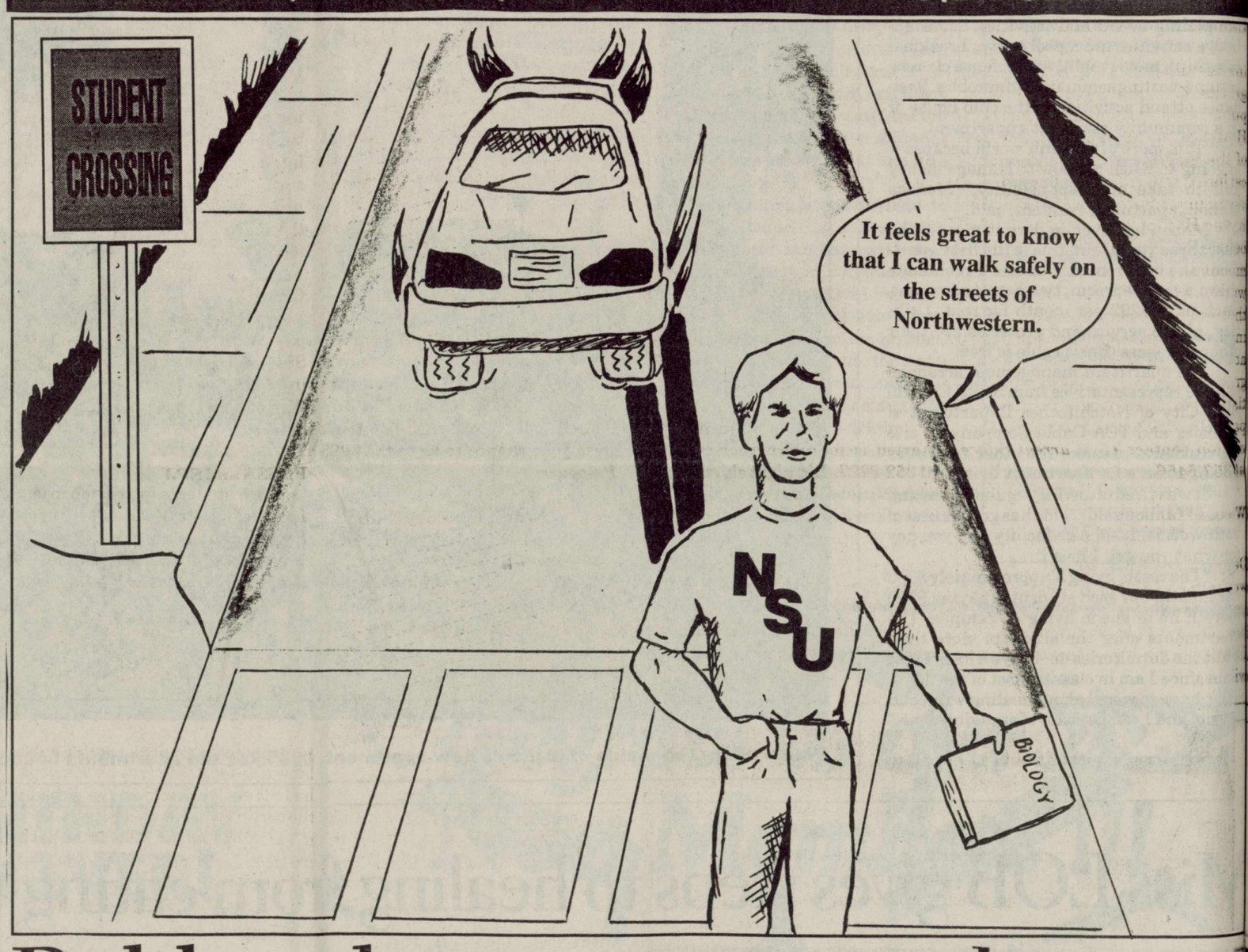
The players allowed to stay with their original team would have to take a pay cut so that their salaries would not be higher than those of the other players on the team. This is the only way the team could pay the salaries of the other players without going above the cap.

This may not sound that bad, but how would you feel if someone told you that you could not make any more money at a job, no matter how hard you worked and no matter how good you were at that skill. You wouldn't like it. You shouldn't like it and neither should the baseball players.

That is why they are striking. They are not striking for more money, but for the right to make more money according to their abilities.

There *is* a difference.

# The Streets of Northwestern




# Public education: a great bargain

## *College student receive more financial aid than they realize*



**Madelyn Boudreaux**

**Banana Notes**

With fee payment just behind us, many students here at Northwestern are facing a long, dark September before they get that first work-study check. Standing in line for hours on end, only to have to write out a check for a sizeable portion of one's savings can really be depressing. Eating nothing but Top Ramen for a month just adds insult to injury.

At times like these, people start voicing complaints like "Why is tuition so high?" Students who receive no scholarships grumble about the scholarship students, wondering if perhaps tuition would be lower if there were no scholarships. Recipients of financial aid certainly don't feel like they're on welfare.

In fact, every student on Northwestern's campus is receiving massive amounts of financial aid, but most don't even realize how much they are being subsidized.

A full-time student at Northwestern pays $1,033.50 in tuition and fees. A full-time student at Loyola University in New Orleans, however, pays $10,400 for fees and tuition, more than it costs to earn a four-year degree here! The two schools are similar; both are four-year institutions offering some graduate degrees as well, neither has a medical school, and both have decent reputations for some programs. The real difference in the tuition is caused by the vast differences in the amount that state and local governments give to the institutions.

*...Even though tuition costs and fees seem sky-high, we are all benefiting from another commie socialist program*

According to the 1993 edition of *The Condition of Education*, published by the National Center for Educational Statistics, part of the Office of Educational Research and Improvement of the U.S. Department of Education, state and local appropriations were the largest single source of funds for public institutions, providing 67 percent of operating expenses for two-year colleges and 50 percent for four-year institutions nationally. These same funds provide only 1 percent of expenses to private institutions, a negligible amount. Nor do private donations make up that much of the difference; rather, the students pay for it through tuition.

In the typical four-year American institution, tuition pays for 20.9 percent of the operation costs, and federal appropriations make up another 2.6 percent.

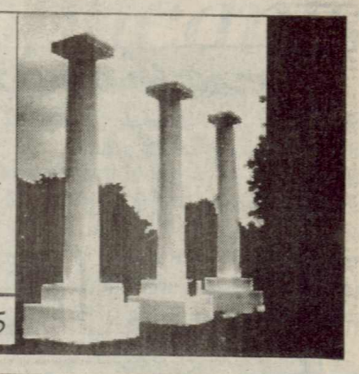
In 1988, the year for which the most recent studies have been made available, Louisiana ranked only 45th among the 50 states and the District of Columbia in revenues per full-time student payed by state and local government appropriations to public four-year colleges. It ranked 34th in tuition and fee revenues per full-time student at the same colleges, however.

The average full-time student pays about $1,629 in tuition, while the state and local government gave the public four-year institutions about $3,766 per student. In all cases these monies were made available to public, post-secondary (college) institutions "for current operation expenses and not for specific projects or programs." This amount also excluded any grants or contracts, and didn't include charges for room, board or other services.

The trend has been moving away from aid, however. From 1990 to 1991, revenue from tuition and fees grew by 5 percent for all colleges, while revenues from state and local appropriations fell 2 percent. More recent data isn't readily available but reports indicate that the numbers have continued in this direction.

Of course, Louisiana's lottery was supposed to generate funds for higher education; however, nothing has indicated to this opinionated writer that those funds have ever materialized.

Eventually, the government may cease to foot any of the bill at all, and we'll all be attending "private" schools. Until that time, we should all remember that, even though tuition costs and fees seem sky-high, we are all benefiting from yet another commie socialist program. And if you don't like it, well, you can just go to a private school.



# Food ads: What are they really saying?



**Barbara McHenry**

## Nutrition

"You know what I hate?" Right who cares? Furthermore, who wants to hear that lead off question in a commercial 10 times during an interesting television program while grown woman plays in her food?

In the great scheme to influence the eating habits of Americans, the mechanism of selling purely for financial gain would appear to be successful. Information is flashed on and off the screen fast enough to notice hunger, yet doles not encourage absorption of the pros and cons regarding the message given. The industry realizes that repetition of the commercial is a type of hypnosis.

Further, they know that even if his recurrence is irritating, the product still gets attention. Whether the message makes the viewer drool for want of frozen yogurt or the commercial's sound is shot down by the ever-ready remote control, the product is not likely to be forgotten.

So now the food industry is "one up" on the fellow with the remote control mute button. No, the matching words scattered across the screen are not meant for the deaf in the viewing audience. These folks are determined to get their message across one way or another — unless, heaven forbid, you go to such extremes as to turn off the television set all together.

I almost fell off my HealthRider one day as I caught the last sentence in one of the cookie commercials. It was one of those really endearing scenes — a little boy talking to his dog — where the nonsense in his words was easily lost in the moment. "Mommy said chocolate isn't good for dogs, but you can have my milk." Chocolate is not healthy for dogs, but it's supposedly okay for the little boy.

A person really gets to wondering what kind of a monkey is being made of him on one of the current pizza commercials. The pizza lover is given the option of adding more and more topping and cheese. Of course, we all love pizza. Still, we would be doing ourselves a bigger favor than they are by not adding on the extras. Better still, we could make our own pizza with a lot less fat grams.

I personally fail to be "turned on" by the crunch of a tortilla chip in my ear. Yet, this ploy must sell, for it is a widely used gimmick.

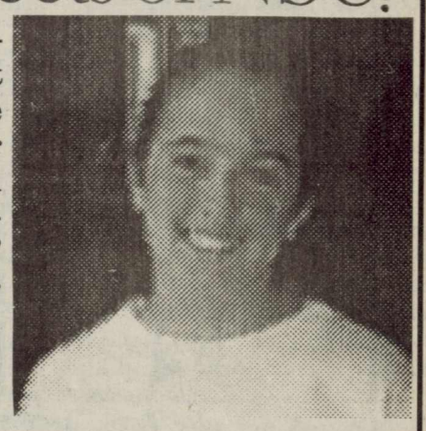
You would think that the food industry knows what they are doing. Prime-time commercials do not come cheap.

Then again, maybe these are desperate attempts to get attention and to raise sales. It could be that the public is wising up to their own nutrition needs rather than being led like lambs to the slaughter.

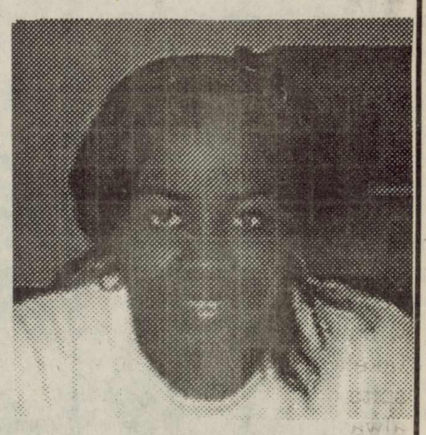
# Current Quotes

## Are pedestrians safe on the streets of NSU?

"The crossing on campus is fine but the part I don't like is the parking. There never seems to be enough space for all the vehicles"
***Shasta LaSage***



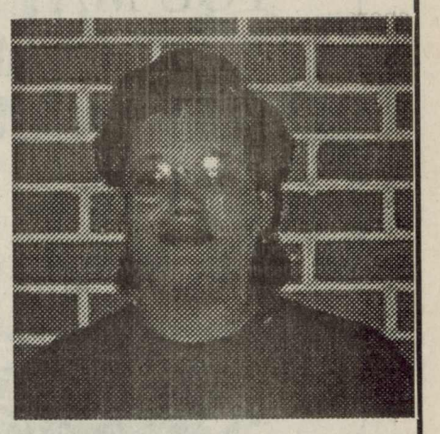
"Drivers on campus are very impatient. One day my roommate and I were walking to class and when we crossed the street, a man in a truck pulled out and almost hit my friend."
***Pamela Williams***



"Nighttime is the worst on campus for yielding. The majority of the people stop for students during the day, but *rarely* does *anyone* stop for you at night."
***Lisa Webster***



"People on campus don't stop for anything or anyone. I have almost been hit two different times crossing the street."
***Danielle Mason***



# Campus Connection

**Campus Connection Guidelines**

The staff of *The Current Sauce* invites all campus organizations and groups to send announcements for publication in Campus Connection. However, we remind organizations of the guidelines involved in publication. Campus Connection submissions must be brought to Rm. 225 Kyser Hall by noon on the Monday before Tuesday publication. All submissions should be less than 100 words in length and subject matter therein should pertain solely to meetings, announcements and upcoming activities. Birthday greetings, congratulations and/or product advertisements should be submitted as paid classified ads. For more information contact *The Current Sauce* at 357-5456.

**Watson Library**

The Watson Library Reference Department will offer library skills workshops to help students better understand and use library facilities. Open to all Northwestern and SMSA students, these workshops will be in Watson Library, Rm. 311C, and will last approximately 45 minutes.

Term Paper Tactics will be held at 2 p.m. Sept. 12; 11 a.m. Sept. 13 and 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. Sept. 14. The computer resources workshops for SilverPlatter Software — ERIC, PsycLIT, GPO and Life Sciences will be held at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. Sept. 12, 2 p.m. Sept. 13 and 11 a.m. Sept. 14. The computer resources workshops for ProQuest Software — ABI/Inform, General Periodical Select will be at 11 a.m. Sept. 12, 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. Sept. 13 and 2 p.m. Sept. 14.

**Kappa Sigma**

Remember that study hall has started, so for information call Clay at 352-8727. Bid night shirts are in, so if you need one, drop by the house and see Brent. Luau is coming up-- Sept. 15, 16 and 17.

**Non-Traditional Students Organization**

NTSO will be holding their first meeting, from noon to 1 p.m. tomorrow in Rm. 221 of the Student Union. Membership is open, and refreshments will be served.

**Native American Student Organization**

The Native American Student Organization will meet at 4 p.m. tomorrow in the Archaeology lab, Rm. 212 Kyser Hall. For more information call 357-4364, Joe Parrie at 352-6444 or Auna Oncay at 357-8263.

***Potpourri***

The staff of *Potpourri*, Northwestern's yearbook, reminds students to have their yearbook pictures taken **Sept. 12-14** in the Student Union Faculty Lounge. Don't miss your chance to be in the 1995 *Potpourri*.

**Psi Chi and Psychology Club**

The Psychology Department is now accepting applications for Psi Chi and Psychology Club. Our first meetings are at 2:20 tomorrow and at 12:20 Thursday in Bienvenu Hall.

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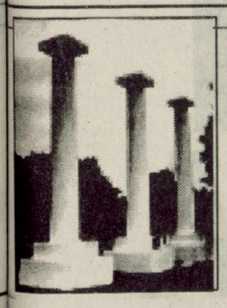
*The Current Sauce* will have a mandatory staff meeting at 1 p.m. tomorrow in Rm. 225 Kyser Hall. If you cannot attend the 1 p.m. meeting please come by the office sometime in the afternoon. All students interested in taking pictures, designing layout or writing news, feature, sports or opinion articles for the student newspaper are invited to attend.

**Circle K**

Circle K will meet today at 6 p.m. in the Faculty Lounge of the Student Union. Anyone interested in joining is welcome. Contact Zeke Wetzel at 4119 for more information.

**PRSSA and SPJ**

Any students interested in joining the Public Relations Student Society of America or the Society of Professional Journalists are encouraged to contact adviser Dr. Bill Swain at 4425.



## Forum

Letters to the editor should be no more than 500 words and must include the signature of the author, the author's classification, major and phone number for fact verification. Letters must be in good taste, truthful and free of libel, malice and personal controversy. Inclusion of any and all material is left to the discretion of the editor.

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*Natchitoches Citizen*

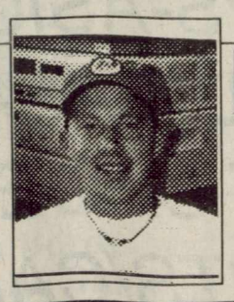
On Wednesday, Aug. 31, I was in Wal-Mart shopping and then went back to my truck and left to go to another part of town.

About half way across town I stopped at a restaurant to eat. A young college student came up behind me and told me that someone had hit my truck while I had been in the parking lot. He showed me where my truck had been hit and he gave me the license tag of the person who did it.

I appreciate the young man for what he has done.

# Columnist ponders life's ironies

## *Feminists ignore most-favored China's most heinous sexism; Students are shafted at their own football game*



**Pete Muldoon**

## From the Front

**Real** life is stranger than fiction. The news, at least, is funnier than the Sunday funnies (The Far Side excepted, of course). To prove my point, here are a few of the things I noticed in last week's newspapers.

**On** Wednesday, USA Today ran a story on people getting burned by pyramid games. Pyramid games, apparently, are scams that promise quick return of cash for a minor investment. USA Today reported that a Ms. Beverly DesChaux invested $1,500 with the promise of making $12,000 a few days later. She was apparently upset about being burned, although she admits that she knew it looked like a pyramid on paper. These are the kind of people that O'Henry's gentle grafters would have loved. They're the ones who get burned trying to burn someone else. It doesn't sound to me like she's got much room to complain.

**The** son of Surgeon General Jocelyn Elders was sentenced to 10 years in prison last week for selling an eighth of an ounce of cocaine. This unfortunate occurrence raises a few interesting points. First of all, if Ms. Elders cannot keep her son out jail for selling drugs, how qualified is she to lecture the rest of the country on subjects ranging from AIDS to what not to do with a pack of Zig-Zags? Secondly, why is someone being sentenced to 10 years for selling small amounts of any drug? Thirdly, is it possible that our current drug laws reflect institutionalized racism? Is the crime of selling drugs really as bad as that of killing someone to get them?

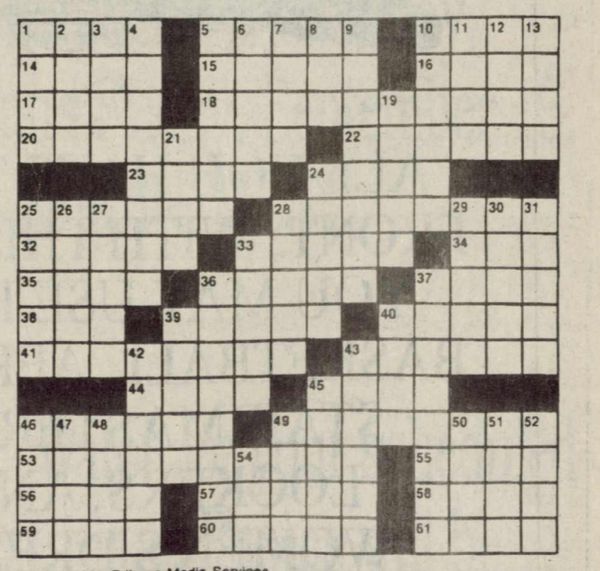
**USA** Today also reported Wednesday that law enforcement agencies, faced with a shortage in traffic cops, reported a 7 percent drop in the number of tickets issued in 1992. Interestingly enough, this decline was accompanied by a 17 percent drop in both fatalities and accidents reported for vehicles traveling at 55 mph or higher. There is a lesson here somewhere.

**It's** strange, isn't it, that there is no feminist uproar about the widespread abuse of women and their reproductive rights in China. In China, women are allowed only one child. After they have had this one child, the government ensures that they don't bear any more. The methods employed are notable for their cruelty. They include the forcible insertion of Audis by untrained doctors. (The strings are then removed so that the Audis cannot be safely removed.) These women are then subjected to periodic X-rays to ensure that the IUDs haven't been removed. Doesn't anyone care about cancer risks in China? If all of this fails, abortions or sterilizations are then forcibly carried out. One year, nearly half a million of these forced abortions were committed in one province alone. Why, when President Clinton was considering the issue of China's Most Favored Nation status, were NOW and and the other so-called women's and reproductive rights groups silent? Do they feel it is more important to ensure that taxpayers pay for abortions in the United States than it is to try to stop this terrible, wholesale abuse of women by men in power?

**It's** too bad that there were Northwestern students who came out to the football game Saturday night and couldn't get in the gate at the student section. It's true that there were too many people in the student section, but the problem was that they were all Southern fans. It was pretty obvious when Southern scored a touchdown that most of those present were not bleeding Demon purple. I have no doubt that the athletic department made plenty of money by selling the student's seats, but that's no way to put the students first. We pay for those seats when we pay our fees, and it seems more and more obvious that those responsible for the decision to sell our seats do not consider the Demons to be our football team. Maybe that's why students often don't care enough to go out and watch them.

**It** is predicted that North Korea will have ballistic missiles capable of reaching Japan as early 1996. It's a pity that SDI has been gutted. We may be facing a shortage of cars and stereos within a few years.

## THE Crossword

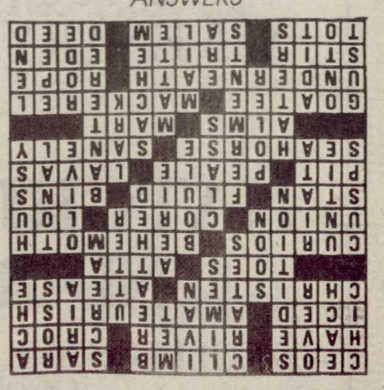


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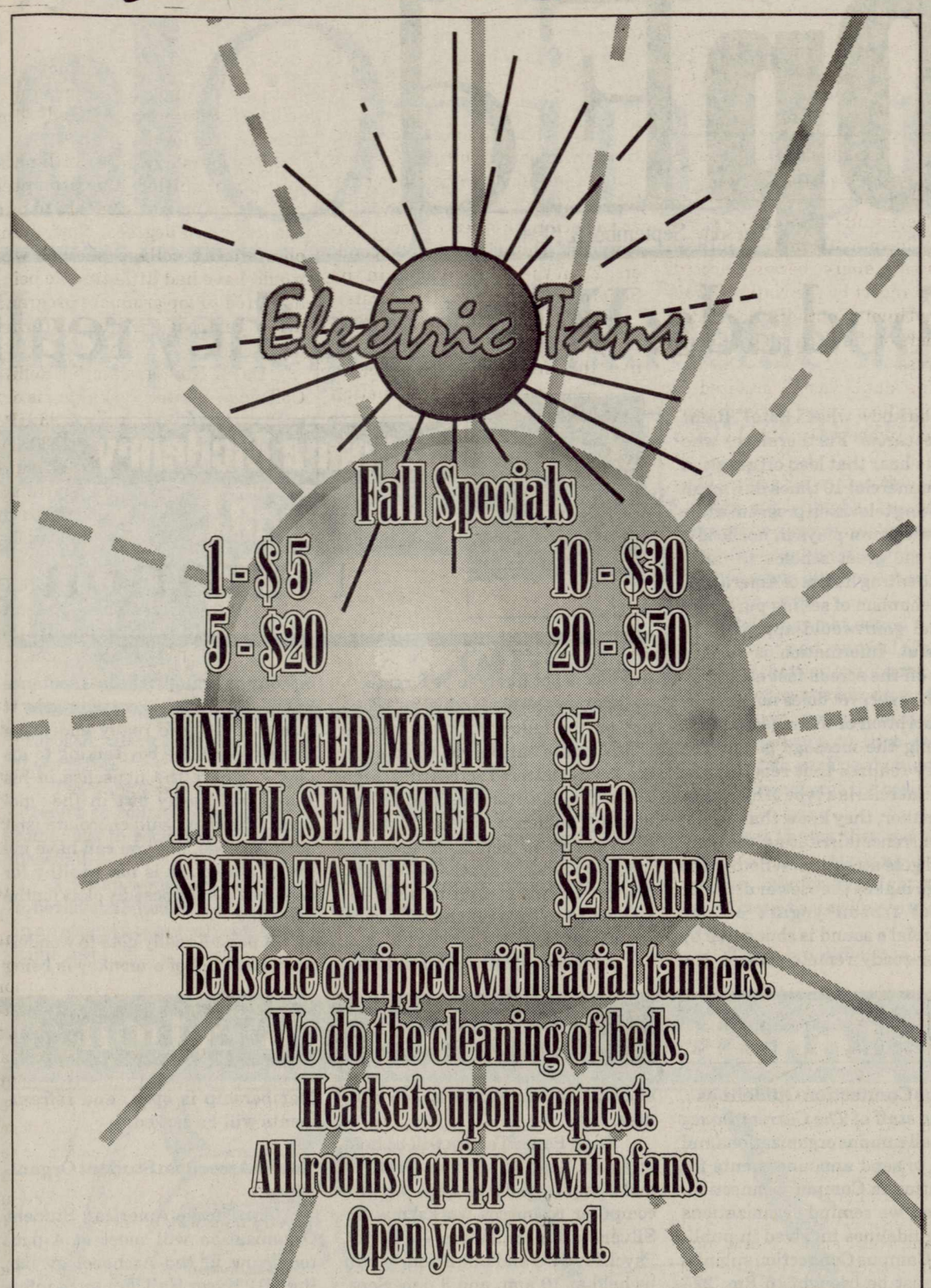
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# Votetally keeps track of politicians' spending

Jane Baldwin
*The Current Sauce*

The results of a national tax survey have made many Southern Democrats angry, because according to a report by the National Taxpayers Union, Southern Democrats are some of the biggest spenders in Congress.

The data was formulated by counting floor votes made by each senator and representative in Congress for 18 months. The system, called Votetally, analyzed votes on authorization and appropriation bills that would increase or decrease federal spending if enacted.

The results showed Sen. J. Bennett Johnston along with Rep. Jim Chapman of Texas, as the two that voted for the highest net spending increases.

"Over the decades, Congress has developed and used arcane floor procedures including 19 different kinds of votes, to obscure what's really at stake in a particular vote," Paul Hewitt, NTUF executive director, said. "After 18 months of hard work, we've come up with a system that penetrates the fog surrounding votes taken on the floors of the House and Senate."

The results showed Southern House members of both parties were "more than likely to be among the highest 50 voting for more spending as members of other regional delegations." Out of the top 50 spenders, 22 in the House and 11 in the Senate were Southern Democrats.

The data also showed that Wyoming and Colorado were among the five "thriftiest" in both chambers.

"The arrival of the Information Age has already transformed our lives in many ways," Hewitt said. "With the advent of Votetally will come an age of voter consumerism, in which an educated and politically independent electorate will form its own judgments about politicians and the way they vote.

"It will be available to anyone with a computer and modem. As interactive television enters the American household, it will be available to virtually anyone. Politics — especially budgetary politics — is about to change for good," he said.

Next year, Votetally will become completely "interactive." Subscribers will get the up-to-date information on how much spending the members of Congress have voted for, and will be able to transmit their opinions, via E-Mail, back to their Senators and Representatives.

# Neb. law deters hazing

A new anti-hazing law in Nebraska will help ensure that accidents, like the one involving Phi Gamma Delta pledge Jeffrey Knoll, won't occur again.

Knoll's father, Jim Knoll of Ogallala, Neb., said the law, along with increased fraternity member awareness and administrative supervision, would help deter hazing on campus.

Gov. Ben Nelson signed a law that makes hazing a crime punishable by a maximum of six months in prison and a $1,000 fine. Organizations can be fined up to $10,000.

The law was proposed by Sen. Gerald Matzke of Sidney in response to a hazing accident on the University of Nebraska-Lincoln campus. During the incident, Jeffrey Knoll was forced to consume alcohol and then fell from a third-story window of the Fiji house.

Jeffrey is living at home in Ogallala, still recovering from the accident. Jeffrey, who underwent 13 weeks of therapy in Lakeview, Colo., is working and continuing speech therapy once or twice a week with a local pathologist.

Jim Knoll said the anti-hazing law, along with the media attention given to Jeffrey's accident and the increased supervision of alcohol consumption on campus, would help prevent hazing in the future.

Nebraska joins 38 other states that have laws forbidding hazing by groups on college campuses.

# *Rat race for Grad. school applicants*

Each year, more and more students are applying to graduate schools only to face increasingly slimmer chances for acceptance.

The harsh realities of limited job opportunities has prompted record numbers of students to pursue advanced degrees. Now, many outstanding college seniors who would have had little trouble being admitted to top graduate programs a few years ago are being turned down cold.

David Nall, a senior at Rollins College in Winter Park, Fla., is one such student. Nall has a 3.93 GPA and GRE scores totaling 2230. He designed a rigorous combined major for himself in art, philosophy, music and English, and is considered an exceptional student by his professors.

"I applied to philosophy Ph.D. programs at six grad schools: Harvard, Berkeley, Stanford, MIT, Chicago and Northwestern," he said. "All of them rejected me."

Stanford, he was told, has six openings for more than 200 applicants.

Nall is not alone. Even though growing numbers are applying to graduate school, available spaces for these students have increased only slightly, if at all.

"From 1986 to 1992, graduate school applications increased at a rate of 7 percent per year, and in some cases even higher," said Peter Syverson, director of information services for the Council of Graduate Schools. "Enrollment has gone up 2 percent per year overall. If applications go up faster than enrollment, institutions become more selective.

"Most attribute this [increase] to the economy. As the job market for new graduates closed, many students looked to continuing their education as a way of increasing their competitive edge while riding out the economic recession . . . . Bad economic times are very good for graduate schools in terms of student demand."

Graduate degrees also are becoming required credentials for career advancement in many settings such as high school teaching, public administration, social work and nursing, Syverson said.

Last fall results of an annual survey of more than 220,000 freshmen, conducted by UCLA's Higher Education Research Institute, showed a record 65 percent said they were interested in attending graduate school, a 10 percent jump from 1992.

"There's also a higher percentage of women coming into college intending to pursue graduate and professional study, and I think that may be feeding the increased admissions as well," said David Merkowitz, director of public affairs for the American Council on Education, sponsor of the survey.

Some areas of graduate study are increasing faster than others. Syverson cites humanities is increasing at 12 percent annually, public administration at 11 percent and social sciences at 10 percent.

Only one area has shown a decrease. "In the last year we've seen decreases in business applications, and that was expected because the number of students taking the GMAT test has gone down each year for the past two or three years," he said. "The MBA is not the hot ticket it once was in the '80s."

This demand, coupled with financial cutbacks, has led many schools to actually extend fewer offers for admission because more students may accept than the schools can handle.

At Duke University in North Carolina, Donna Giles, assistant dean and director of Graduate Admissions, reports receiving about 6,000 applications in 1994, up 10 percent from 1993.

"We don't expect to admit any more students just because the pool increased," Giles said. "We offer admission to fewer than 1,500, but the incoming class usually is between 525 and 550."

However, this year Giles said some "severe financial cutbacks" may impact admission offers, which usually are three times higher than the desired enrollment number.

"I predict the number of offers may decrease because funds have been cut and departments are not taking as many risks. They can't afford to take the chance that more than one-third would say yes," Giles said.

The situation at University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill is similar, according to Myrna Bower, director of the Graduate School.

"Extending offers is really a game of chance," she said. "We got burned in English three years ago when the national picture looked bleak . . . . the department extended the usual number of offers, only this time 70 to 80 percent (instead of the usual 50 percent) said they were coming and it put them in a dither for the year."

So far this year UNC has received over 13,000 applications, an increase of more than 900 from 1993. They plan to admit 1,500 to 1,700 students.

Bower has sympathy for the dilemma of students as competition shuts them out.

"I feel terrible . . . . these are somebody's children we are turning away," she said. "Often, they are really good students, but the competition's so tough. In philosophy you practically have to walk on water to get in."

For example, Bower said there are 222 applications for five slots in 1994. In 1993, applicants had average GRE scores that were 729 verbal, 717 quantitative and 739 analytical with a 3.75 GPA in their major. Psychology has 883 applicants for 26 slots; history has 663 applications for 28 slots.

At some larger state universities, economic cutbacks have decreased financial assistance for students, making it harder for some to attend even if they are accepted.

At Ohio State University, where 11,000 students are enrolled in 115 graduate programs, both applications and enrollment have shown a gradual increase since 1988. The one exception was last year, when a new application fee may have caused a slight decrease in inquiries, according to Paul Isaac, associate dean of the Graduate School.

However, due to the loss of some graduate assistant slots, more graduate students than ever are having to go to school part time.

At UCLA, applications have dropped slightly going against the national trend, said Ellen Benkin, who coordinates data for the Graduate School. She said the decrease likely is because of California's ailing economy, an 18 percent increase in tuition and a decrease in the number of staff positions available for graduates, which all affect the students' ability to pay tuition. Nevertheless, odds for admission are not great — approximately 16,000 applicants for 2,500 openings.

At Ivy League schools like Princeton, the competition has always been tough, but now it is even more so.

Dave Redmond, acting dean of the Graduate School, said Princeton has experienced a 5 percent increase in applications this year. And, other than a small decline last year, applications have been slowly increasing over the last several years.

"This year we had 7,000 applications and admitted about 900 of those students and hope to enroll about 460 new graduate students," he said.

Like other universities, Princeton is this year, seeking a smaller class by about 10 or 12 people. He attributes this to "a small cut in fellowship budgets," and cautious attitudes in engineering and science departments because of "the uncertainty of outside support, which they draw from to support their students."

Princeton, too, has extended fewer offers for the last several years in some of the humanities and social sciences departments. "We've called it 'overachievement,'" explains Redmond. "Students have accepted at a higher rate than our previous years' figures would have led us to believe and even when we made some corrections for the next year, it's happened again. So we've really kind of screwed things down a bit tighter in the number of offers we have made.

". . . . The selections are always very painful because there are some very well-qualified people who just won't make the cut . . . ."

David Nall is now one of those who knows the pain of rejection well. "It was a numbing experience," said Nall, who is reevaluating his options. "I plan to work, save money and reapply next year, perhaps to different grad schools where I won't be facing such enormous odds — if there are any schools like that."


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**Organizations** - Watch for your scheduled times in the next issue. Photos will be taken at the Magale Recital Hall on October 11-13.

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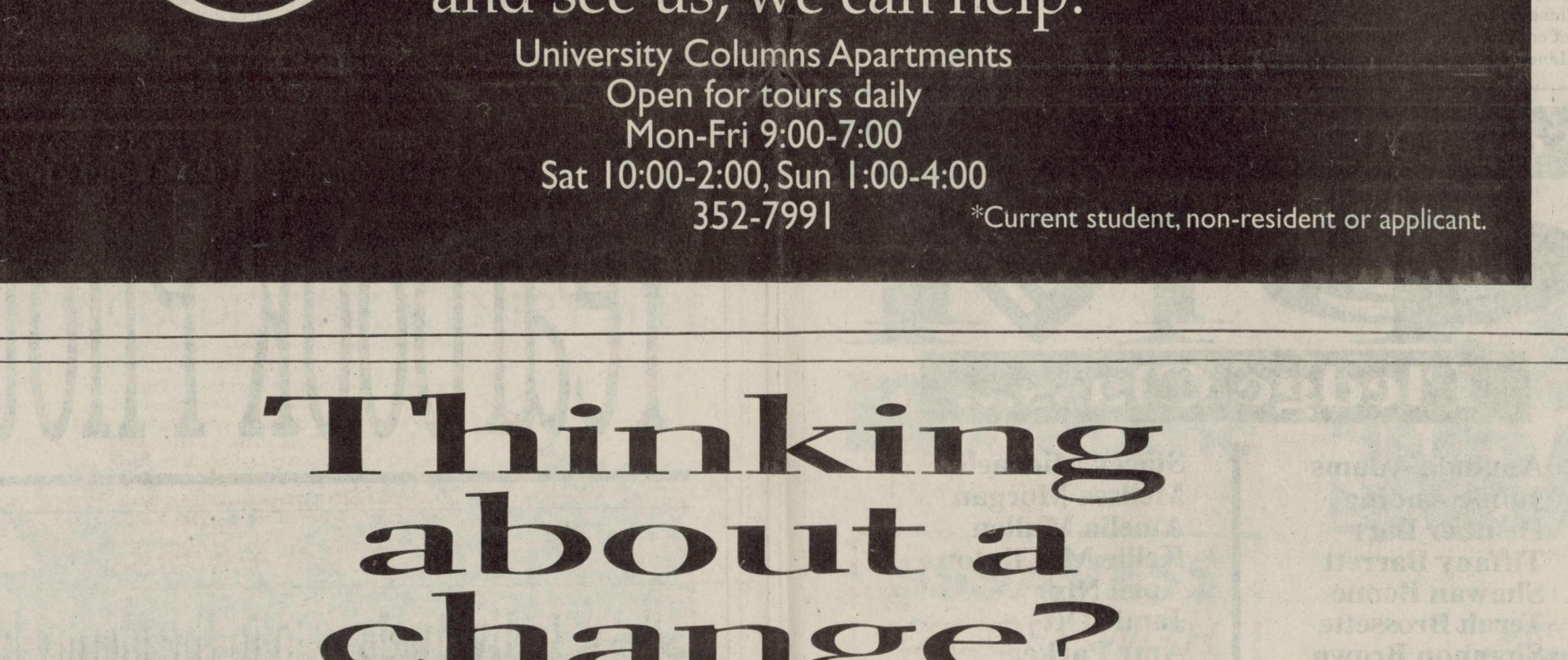
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# Teaching Methods:

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niversities in the state to use these programs. The primary goals of these courses re to help teachers get students more involved in their learning and to integrate ontent areas throughout the curriculum. Students learn better through being actively involved," Marlow said.

According to Marlow, the courses were eveloped because the field of education is hanging so quickly. Also, the courses accommodate different learners.

Kenneth Goodman, founder of the new aching methods, started implementing oss-curriculum learning about 10 years o in Zwolle. Goodman began the classes ecause teachers wanted to learn to how to tter implement new teaching methods.

According to Weaver and Duchardt, the oject will be evaluated at the end of the ar for efficiency.

Marlow, Duchardt and Weaver all agree at students are reacting very well to the anges. Each of the courses has been taired to the needs of each school since all the sults will vary from campus to campus.

Students interested in the courses may ntact the instructors at 357-5195. The adline for those interested in taking any the courses is Nov. 15.

# ADA:

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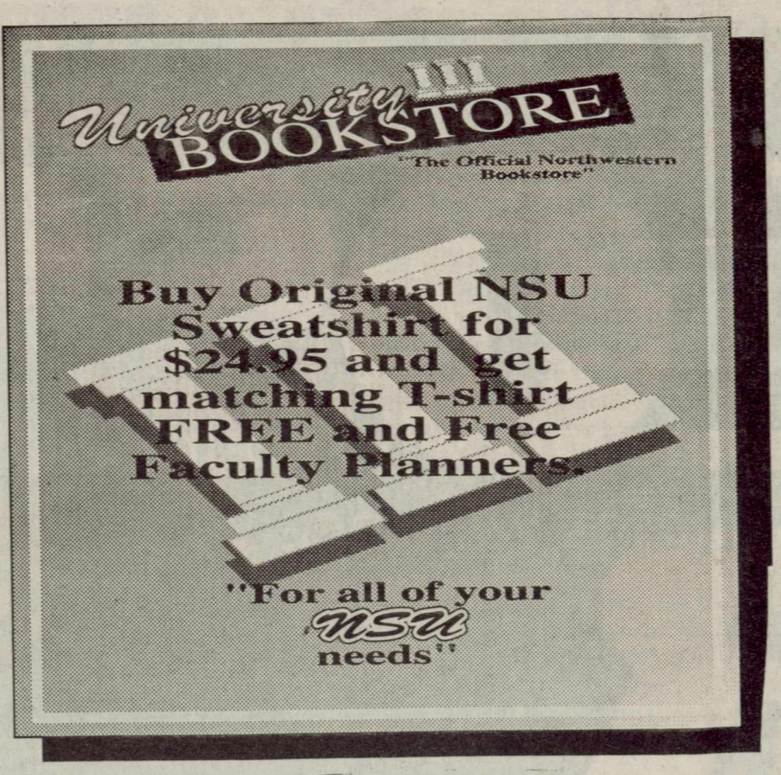
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According to Pharis, the University must rovide ways for the disabled to enter the uildings, even if it means physically carryg them.

"If they need to get in we will furnish me one to push a wheelchair or physically rry them," Norman said. "By law, we can this. The students need to realize we need time to make these accommodations availble.

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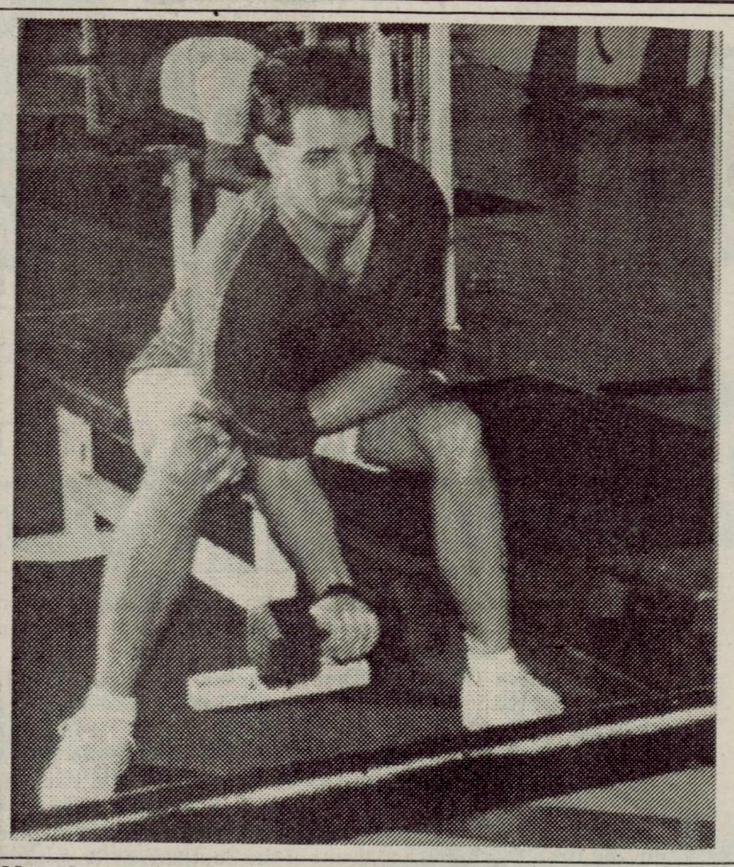
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# Flag football among activities available through IM

David Weaver
*The Current Sauce*

Although the Demons kicked off their season Saturday, another type of football will get under way later this month. This particular kind, however, while open to anyone, involves just as much preparation to be successful.



**Northwestern student Mark McCoy takes advantage of the weights at the intramurals building**

Northwestern's intramural flag football season officially begins Sept. 19, but preliminaries are under way now. The flag football teams will be divided into three leagues — men's, women's and co-rec. And, according to Dr. Gene Newman, director of leisure and recreational activities, the time to get involved is now.

"We will take rosters up until Sept. 14, but we would urge those planning to be involved in this year's league to sign up early," Newman said. "It would allow us to plan more smoothly and give us an idea as to what number of teams we are looking at."

Last season, 40 teams took part in the flag football league, as well as a full staff of student officials. A clinic for this year's officials will be held Sept. 14 in the Recreation and Intramural Building across from Roy Hall.

"Officiating is a great opportunity for students to earn cash while providing a service to the University," Newman said.

Newman is hopeful the flag football league will be even larger this year, and feels intramural sports is a major part of student life.

"Intramurals and sports are essential to a student's college life," Newman said. "It is a learning process much like academics. The student will learn, among other things, how to get along with others and how to communicate feelings to both team members and officials. These are skills that must be used throughout life and I'm watching students mature throughout their intramural years here."

Newman, who has been involved with intramural and recreational sports for 23 years, believes a good self-image can also be obtained through involvement. "The maturity increase is incredible," he said. "I have seen students grow into a healthy self-concept just from being involved in intramural sports. Intramurals provide an opportunity to learn how to deal with one's mistakes and how to improve upon those lessons. It's not just going out and utilizing one's physical ability — people skills are also learned."

Corresponding with the start of the flag football season is the intramural swim meet, which will take place from 3 to 4:30 p.m. Sept. 14 at the Rec Complex on the Highway One By-Pass.

Newman said teams can consist of six members each, with groupings of Greek, men's and women's teams. He also stressed that anyone just wanting to compete without being on a team can do so.

"We usually have anywhere from 10 to 15 teams compete," Newman said. "It's usually a very fun event."

"We're here for the students of Northwestern," Newman said. "We want you to come out and enjoy yourself, and intramurals is the best way to do that."

# Volleyball rebuilds

Mike Whitmire
*The Current Sauce*

Denise Dewey, new head volleyball coach at Northwestern, has been on the job for just over a month and said the program is better than she had expected.

Dewey leads the Lady Demons in their season opener at 6 p.m. tomorrow at Jackson State in Jackson, Miss..

Northwestern returns most of its players from last year's team which was 1-8 in Southland Conference play and 14-20 overall.

During the first three weeks of practice, Dewey's top priority was to give the club a mental boost.

"This group has more talent than I'd heard from people before I got here," Dewey said. "The thing we've been trying to do is instill confidence through positive reinforcement."

The 29-year-old coach, hired in late July, coached two years at Nazareth College, a Division III program in New York, before coming to Northwestern. Dewey said her start at Nazareth has similarities to the one at Northwestern.

"I did some research about the job here and found it was in the rebuilding process," she said. "I like working with programs like this because I think they can grow. Nazareth was rebuilding as well, and this year should be very good."

Northwestern's status as a Division I program convinced Dewey to pursue the job.

"It's not that I didn't want to finish the job at Nazareth," she said. "But I felt and my AD [athletic director felt] I'd be better off moving up to Division I."

After looking at last year's statistics, Dewey thought unforced errors were a major problem for Northwestern and she has made that a key focus in practice.

"That is one of the coaching goals I have," Dewey said. "To have enough ball control so we don't make those unforced errors and beat ourselves."

Running a "quick offense" and doing a better job in defensive transition are key principles the new coach is trying to implement.

Sophomore Amy Warren, who led the Lady Demons with 291 kills last year, is expected to be the big hitter this year.

"She is smart and quick and has a lot of skills," Dewey said. "Once she builds strength in her upper body she'll be somebody to watch in the future."

Senior Karen Hill and juniors Julie Coert and Kim Jesiolowski were voted team captains. Jesiolowski and Hill are counted on for the majority of service receiving, and both will also contribute as outside hitters. Hill is currently recovering from shin splints.

Coert, a left-handed hitter, will anchor the right side of the net.

"She is a leader, and she's got a good work ethic," Dewey said. "Physically she is very strong and defensivley she is quick and agile."

Senior setter Jeri Dusenberry, 5'5", isn't tall enough to play at the net, but she will be instrumental in setting the offense.

"Jeri is a motivator," Dewey said. "She can come in and get things going, she is consistent and she'll be able to run our fast offense."

Dewey is pleased with freshman Tiffany Cronin of La Junta High in Pueblo, Colo.

"Tiffany is an incredible athlete," Dewey said. "She has the potential to be an All-American by her junior year if she keeps progressing the way she has so far."

# SPORTS TALK: Sanders should pick ONE sport

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that quality. He is in the same class with athletes such as Barry Bonds, Michael Jordan and Emmitt Smith — players that people gladly pay money to watch.

But the continuous bouncing back and forth from baseball to football has become a little tiresome, especially the latest version of the "Sanders Sweepstakes."

Sanders' career as a two-sport athlete is not fair to anyone involved — himself, his teams or his teams' fans. With almost year-round activity, he runs the risk of serious injury that could knock him out of everything. Remember Bo Jackson? He was, of course, the first to try the two-sport trade — and now he is only a shell of the great athlete he once was and only has an artificial hip to show for it.

Sanders' biggest flaw, if it can be called that, is that he is so good an athlete that neither baseball nor football can totally shy away from him. He has sprinter's speed and great hands, as well as the arrogance to play cornerback at an All-Pro level. Yet, he also uses his speed to steal bases and is improving as a hitter.

But how can he become the most coveted player in the NFL this season while striking against the owners in another sport? Is that logical?

Obviously it is. Could he really make a difference for, say, the 49ers? Is he good enough for them to shake the Cowboys loose from the NFL's highest perch?

Not likely. Not until "Prime Time" decides to become "Full Time" on the football field.

# NSU VS. SOUTHERN: Record turnout for game

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rushed for 22 yards. Defensively, Northwestern was led by strong performances from linebackers Steve Redeaux and George Haynes, who each racked up 10 tackles. A record crowd of 15,600 at Turpin Stadium (capacity 15,971) witnessed the Demons' second straight season opening loss to the Jaguars. Despite the loss, Goodwin was optimistic about his team's chances to come back next week at home against Delta State. "We've got a lot of work to do this week," Goodwin said. "Delta State didn't play this week, so we won't have any game film to look at and study. I doubt if they will be as good defensively as Southern, but we must improve a great deal this week with our offense."

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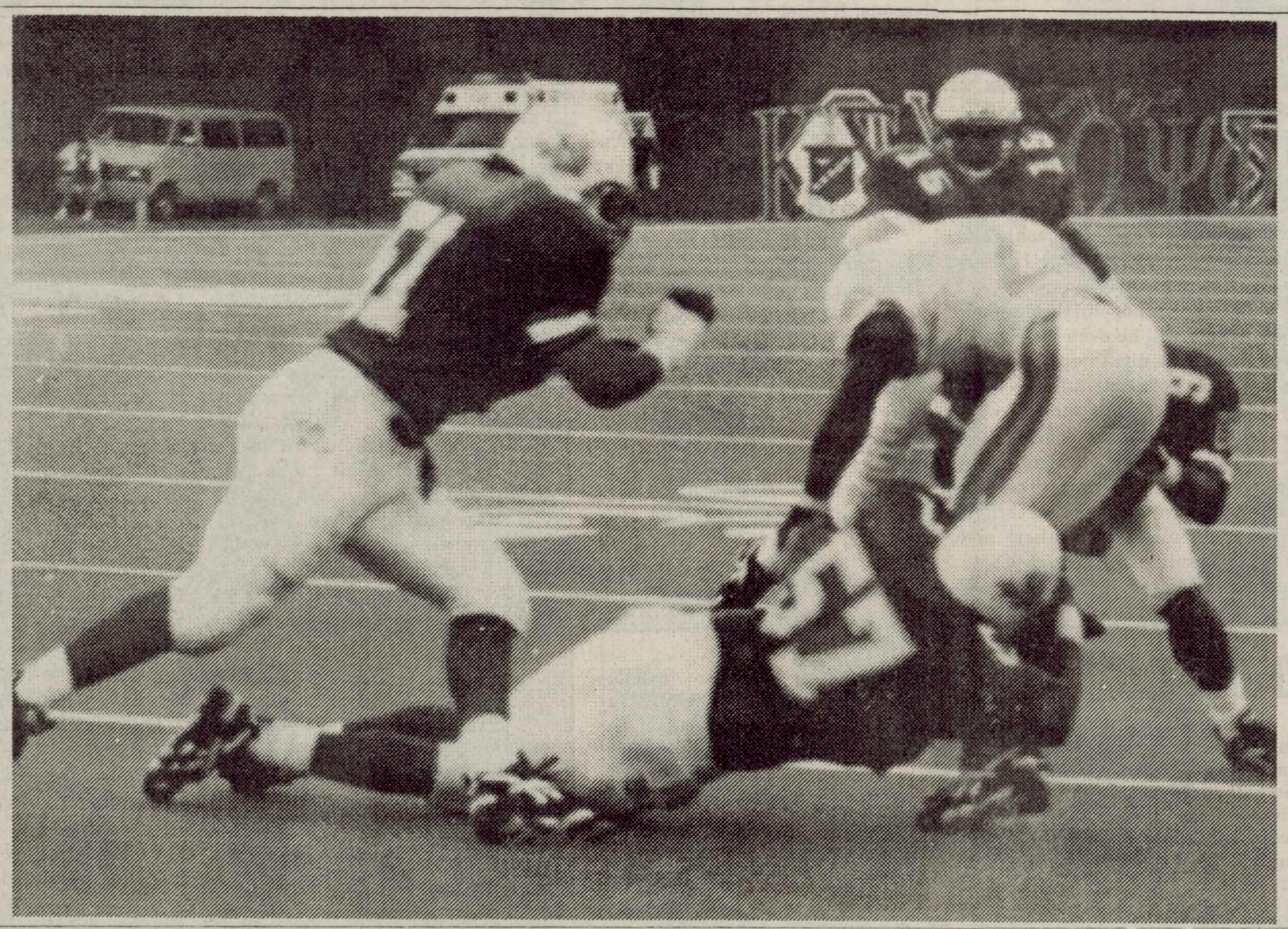
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# Demons fail to execute, get executed



Nathan Platt (57) and Kevin Rhodes (9) holds up a Southern player as Robert Wright (51) comes to finish up.

Inset: A Southern defender blocks a John Louviere punt while Danny Alexander tries to stop the defender's progress. PHOTO BY CHAD SULLIVAN

## 20-0 loss in opener against Southern a failure in offensive line, says coach

DAVID WEAVER
*The Current Sauce*

On a night when Turpin Stadium saw its largest crowd ever, the Demons turned in a less-than-large performance in a 20-0 season opening loss to Southern University.

Coach Sam Goodwin's Demons never got going offensively, mustering only 156 total yards, 67 of which came in the final quarter when the game was already decided.

"We totally broke down offensively," Goodwin said Saturday. "Their defense came at us with a lot of pressure and totally dominated us. We have got to execute a lot better than we did tonight."

Sophomore quarterback Brian Andrews, starting in place of injured Brad Laird, felt the brunt of the Southern defensive attack. He connected on just five of 14 passes for 32 yards and was intercepted twice.

True freshman Brandon Emanuel saw limited action in the second half with nearly identical numbers — five of 14 for 68 yards and one interception.

"Our quarterbacks must execute better than they did tonight," Goodwin said. "Our two biggest concerns coming in were at offensive line and quarterback, and we didn't do well at either tonight."

Northwestern squandered some early chances in the first quarter. The Demons opening drive began at the Southern 44 yard line following a 21-yard punt by the Jaguars' Tony Phipps, but in three plays the Demons netted only a minus 5 yards and were forced to punt.



Goodwin

The Demon defense held once again, and Phipps' punt this time went only 12 yards, enabling Northwestern to set up shop at the Southern 37. But the Jaguars' Andre Davis sacked Andrews for a 3-yard loss on second down and blasted him again on third down for an 8-yard loss, ending the Demon threat.

Southern finally got rolling in the second quarter. After a critical holding penalty against the Demons on the next series, Southern's Duane Fuller kicked a 40-yard field goal to move ahead 3-0. Fuller then nailed a 23 yarder at the 9:24 mark of the quarter, giving the Jaguars a 6-0 lead.

The Demon defense played solid for most of the game, and came up big on the next Southern possession. Southern cornerback Matthew Dorsett intercepted an Andrews pass at the Demon 44 and returned it 37 yards to the Northwestern seven.

On first down, tailback Melvin Williams carried for 6 yards to the one, but fullback Troy Jones was denied the touchdown on second down by Demon defensive tackle Curtis Tademy. Williams was stuffed for no gain on third down by a swarm of Demon defenders, and quarterback Eric Randall failed on fourth down from the one.

The Demon offense could only move to the seven, where punter John Louviere's kick was partially blocked.

Southern took over at the Demon 11, and running back Danny Donaldson darted in from 9 yards out two plays later. Fuller's extra point made the score 13-0, Southern.

Northwestern's Clarence Matthews opened the second half with an electrifying 84-yard kickoff return and broke his own Turpin Stadium record.

Setting up at the Southern 12, the Demons once again failed to take advantage, as Andrews' pass to Preston Arnold in the end zone fell incomplete on third down. Jason Fernandez' field goal attempt was then blocked, and the Jaguars had dodged the only Demon bullet of the game.

Andrews was intercepted again at the 10:58 mark of the third quarter by Southern's Jerry Wilson at the Demon 37. Three plays later, Williams burst through the right side for a 30-yard touchdown sprint. The point after by Fuller made the score 20-0.

Although Goodwin was not pleased with the Demons' offensive performance, he did have praise for the stingy play of the Northwestern defense.

"Our defense kept us in the ball game and made some big plays," he said. "We played a very physical defensive ball game and didn't quit all night, which was something to be proud of."

The Demons' two young quarterbacks also stressed the need for the Northwestern offense to improve.

"We've got to get our execution down," Andrews said. "We had a tough time offensively tonight, but we can't keep our heads down. We've got to believe we can do better."

"This was a big step up for me," Emanuel said after his first game as a college quarterback. "It took a while to get into the flow of the game, but we need to come together as an offense to take pressure off our defense."

Southern's Williams almost out gained the Demons on his own, gaining 124 yards on 35 carries. Danny Alexander led the Demon ground attack with 23 yards on seven carries, and Clarence Matthews

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## 'Prime Time' should commit to one network

DAVID WEAVER
*The Current Sauce*

Perhaps it's just the fact that I'm fed up to the neck with baseball players. Maybe it's because I live and breathe the Dallas Cowboys and think the back-to-back champs should be getting all the publicity right now. Or, maybe it's just *me*.

But, is there anyone getting more attention right now in the NFL than a baseball player?

Deion Sanders — also known as "Prime Time," also known as "Neon Deion," has created quite a buzz in NFL training camps this summer. He has yet to play a single down in a preseason game, participate in a single practice drill or even strap on pads at all. Yet, he has become the most wanted man in America.




Again, is it just me, or aren't baseball players receiving enough attention right now without having to cross over into other sports? Why is "Prime Time" such a popular man?

The answer to the last question is very simple. Sanders is probably the best pure coverage cornerback in the NFL. He is also the league's most dangerous kick returner, as well as an occasional weapon on offense. Sanders is perhaps the only player in NFL history to be an offensive, defensive and special teams coordinator's worst nightmare.

But Sanders is a full-time baseball player. Although he is regarded by most baseball experts as only an average outfielder and leadoff hitter, his baseball contract with the Cincinnati Reds prohibits him from playing football *anywhere* until the baseball season officially ends.

Nonetheless, since the baseball strike began Aug. 12, Sanders has taken a cross country tour with all the hoopla of the Rolling Stones' current one. Included in his trek throughout NFL training camps have been stops in Miami, San Francisco, Kansas City, Atlanta and even New Orleans. In the eyes of most NFL executives, Sanders is the missing link between a mere playoff team and a serious Super Bowl contender.

I am a fan of "Prime Time" and have been for a long time, simply because he brings charisma to whichever sport he is involved in at the time. He causes pure excitement when he steps on the field, and there aren't too many athletes who have

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**SPORTS TALK**

## PLAYER OF THE WEEK

MIKE WHITMIRE
*The Current Sauce*

Senior middle linebacker Steve Readeaux picked up where he left off last season for the Northwestern defensive unit with a team-high 10 tackles to be named *The Current Sauce's* Player of the Week.

Readeaux, the Demons' leading tackler last season with 101 for an average of 10.1 per game, and linebacker George Haynes each collected 10 tackles in Northwestern's 20-0 loss to Southern Saturday.

"He played well Saturday night and delivered some big hits," said Demon linebacker coach Robert Henry. "He should have a good year for us."

The 26-year-old's path to Northwestern was a little different than most athletes.

Readeaux, from Eunice, La., first attended Arkansas-Monticello for one term and then served four years in the U.S. Army before walking on to the Demons' squad. He is in his fourth year at Northwestern.

"I think it helped me be able to focus on the things I want to accomplish," Readeaux said of his experience in the military. "I just try to play hard all the time. I always need to improve, every practice and every game."

Despite his success, Readeaux said Saturday's loss to Southern overshadowed anything he accomplished.

"When you go out to play a game you play to win," he said. "And when you don't it's really hard, but you have to pick your head up for the next game."

Player File

Name: Steve Readeaux
Age: 26
Hometown: Eunice, La
Performance against Southern Saturday:
10 tackles
1993: 101 tackles, 10.1 per game.



## Rowing team prepares to make impact

DAVID WEAVER
*The Current Sauce*

One of Northwestern's best kept secrets is preparing for a banner year.

Calvin Cupp, in his second year as head coach of Northwestern's rowing team, has high hopes that not only will his squad improve on last season's impressive results, but that rowing will catch on at Northwestern and in the Natchitoches area.

"Our rowing meet here in November will bring a lot of teams to Natchitoches and, of course, those people will spend money here," Cupp said. "I want us to make an impact this year and perhaps improve the image of the sport in the area."

The Marathon Rowing Championships, to be held Nov. 12 on Cane River, will include collegiate schools, and will be open to anyone who wants to row. According to Cupp, the competition will feature different age divisions and different boat classifications to include the non-collegiate participants.

This event will highlight the fall season, in which the rowing team will see action in three other major meets. Northwestern will compete in the Louisiana State Championships tentatively scheduled for Oct. 8 at a site yet to be determined. They will also compete in events in Austin, Texas, on Oct. 12 and Atlanta on Nov. 5. The big event of the year will be the Southeast Nationals in Oak Ridge, Tenn., in April.

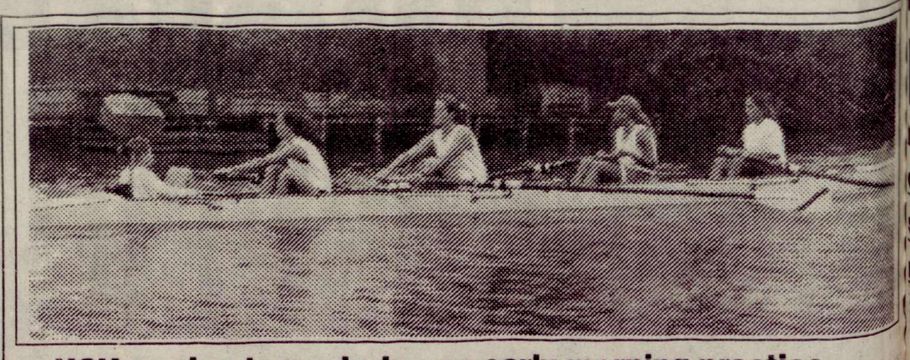
Northwestern is a member of the Southeast Intercollegiate Rowing Association (SIRA), which includes such schools as Virginia, Miami, Ohio State, North Carolina, Vanderbilt, Purdue, Tennessee and Duke.

"We are classified as a 'club sport,'" Cupp said. "We are not an official part of any athletic department here at Northwestern, but we compete at NCAA events under NCAA regulations and are representatives of the University."

Despite the differences from other sports, Cupp believes the rowing team is an important element in Northwestern athletics because anyone is allowed to participate.

"If a student wants to join the rowing team, he or she will be allowed to compete," Cupp said. "We will accept students through mid-September, and none of those students will be cut from the squad. This is the best opportunity for students who want to compete for the University in a sporting event but might be too small or something to make it in another sport." According to Cupp, all students have to do is come out and try their hardest.

The squad includes 20 members from last year's team which had three state champion boats and made two finals in last year's Southeast Nationals for the first time. Most of the medal winners returned and Cupp hopes to have a strong turnout of first-year rowers to strengthen the team.



NSU rowing team during an early-morning practice

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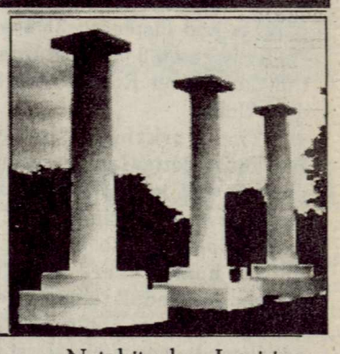


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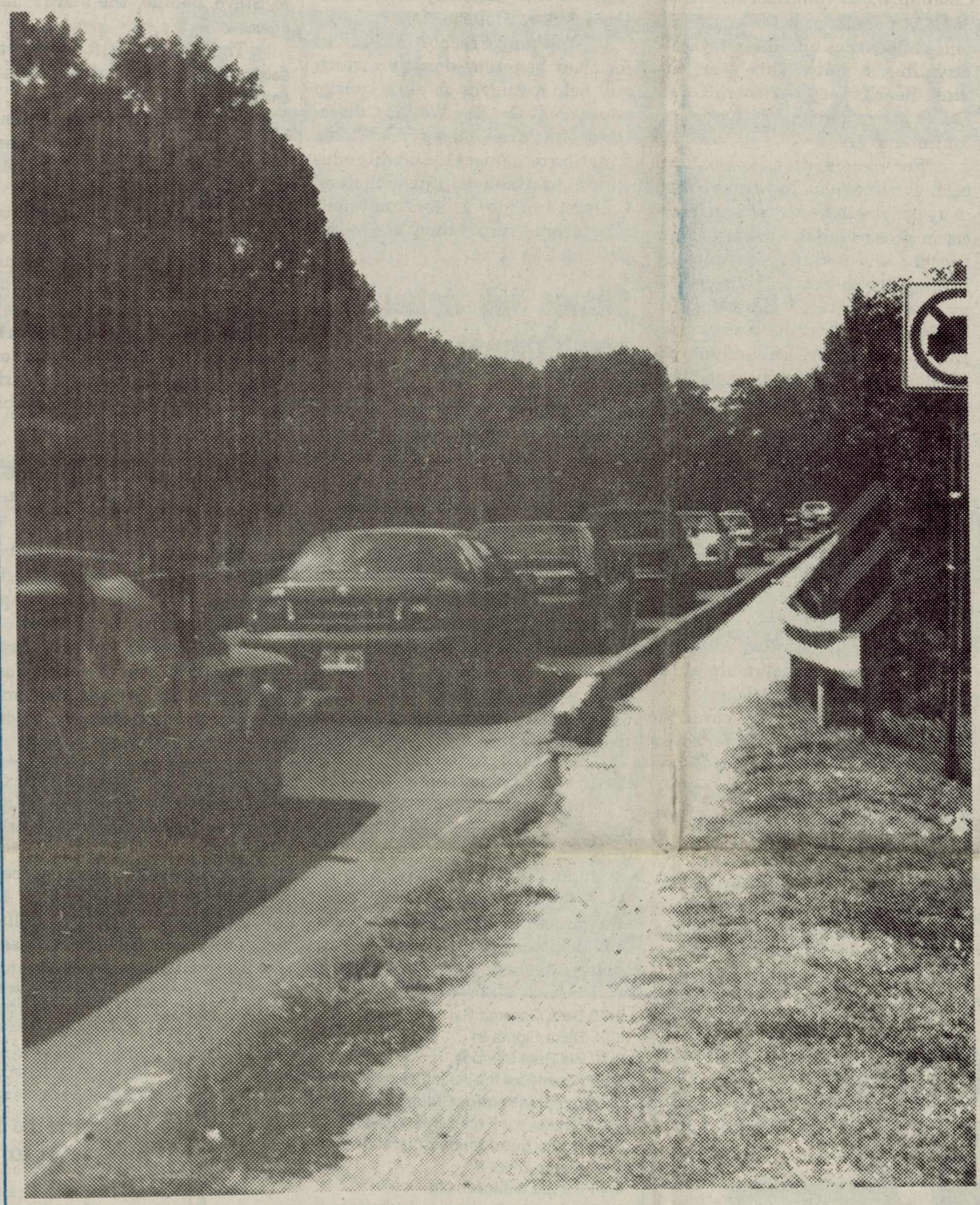
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## Roadblock



**The Keyser Ave. bridge has become an increasing source of debate in past months. The bridge is only 60 percent safe, according to some estimates. The opening of the Wal-Mart Supercenter is expected to increase traffic on the bridge substantially. However, efforts to 5-lane the bridge have been blocked, as the Historic District could lose its national recognition. Read about the present status of the bridge in the next edition of *The Current Sauce***

# Scholars' forum addresses fears, dispels rumors

HEATHER COOLEY AND SARA FARRELL
*The Current Sauce*

Over 90 concerned Louisiana Scholars' College students met in a forum with six faculty members Wednesday to discuss issues concerning the college's future.

One issue dealt with the Scholars' College recent announcement of its new majors program. To the surprise of many upperclassmen, the option of receiving a major had been available all along.

"I'm upset because we didn't find out about the majors program being official as soon as we came back," one Scholars' College sophomore said. "The freshmen came in and knew about it and were asking the upperclassmen questions, and we couldn't answer them because we were not prepared."

"Had I known that a majors program existed at Scholars' College, I would not have transferred to NSU," Suki Bartz, a sophomore from Leesville, said.

The Scholars' College was established in 1987 by the Louisiana Board of Regents for Higher Education. It is Louisiana's selective admissions college of the liberal arts. Students choose an area of concentration in the humanities and social thought, individual concentration, scientific inquiry and the fine and performing arts.

Now, with the new degree program, Scholars' students can declare majors but complete Scholars' College core requirements. Then they would take classes in their major through Northwestern. During their senior year, students would complete their thesis and graduate in their major with a background in the liberal arts. Students also have the choice of only having a concentration.

Students also queried why the majors program suddenly gained in popularity over the summer when few upperclassmen were there to begin participating. Dr. Ray Wallace, director of Scholars' College, said time finally became available over the summer while discussing the majors program with Northwestern department heads.

**At Issue:**
Institution of a majors program at the Louisiana Scholars' College. Some students feel the move will change the honors college to an honors program of NSU

Also, students asked if Scholars' College would eventually drift away from a liberal arts emphasis to become an honors program.

"As far as I'm concerned, it's not a shift," Wallace said. He said an honors program would not be in the best interest of the school.

Students expressed confusion as to why some Scholars' College professors now teach Northwestern classes while Northwestern professors instruct some traditional Scholars' College core requirements such as texts and traditions, a class combining history and English. Not

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# Zulick takes helm of Cen-La Programs

The Board of Trustees for State Colleges and Universities has approved Marsha Zulick as executive director of Central Louisiana Programs for Northwestern.

Zulick will be the principal leader and executive officer for Northwestern's educational programs in Central Louisiana. She will be responsible for overall planning, development and management of the University's activities in that area. Zulick will serve as a leader in activities related not only to academic sites, but also to the community, business and industry.

For the past five years, Zulick was Northwestern's director of admissions and recruiting, helping the University achieve a dramatic increase in enrollment. The University's enrollment increased by more than 20 percent under her tenure. Northwestern also brought in better students during that time as average scores of incoming freshmen on the American College Test also increased.

"Marsha did a fabulous job of recruiting students to Northwestern," Dr. Robert A. Alost, Northwestern president, said. "Her background is such that she is the right person to develop programs in Alexandria. She will work with the administration at LSU-Alexandria, the England Airpark and the Alexandria community to develop programs to meet the needs of the area."



**Zulick**

Zulick's duties will also include preparing long-range plans for developing Northwestern's Central Louisiana programs, working with appropriate governmental agencies, and serving as a liaison to other academic areas at Northwestern.

"I am looking forward to the great challenge this new position provides," Zulick said. "Northwestern has a great deal to provide to Central Louisiana. I am excited about the opportunity to work with our various partners to develop programs to help this area."

The University offers a wide range of educational programs in Alexandria in cooperation with LSU-Alexandria. The University utilizes a number of sites including the England Airpark, LSU-Alexandria, Alexandria Regional Technical Institute, area hospitals, businesses and public schools to deliver classes.

Zulick also served as admissions and external affairs director at the Louisiana School for Math, Science and the Arts from 1982 through 1989. She was one of eight staff members selected to produce the initial design and mission of the Louisiana School.

# 'Something different'

## International Film series offers students 'source of culture'

SARA FARRELL
*The Current Sauce*

The NSU International Film Series gives students at Northwestern more options for their Friday nights.

Begun over a year-and-a-half ago by Dr. Ray Wallace, director of Scholars' College, the main focus of the program remains to entertain.

"Our goal is just to show movies that students and faculty normally wouldn't have access to in a theater setting at Northwestern," Wallace said.

This year, the range of movies extends from French, German, Yugoslavian, Italian, Japanese, Spanish and Mexican backgrounds to include two English language films.

As the movies contain subtitles, they prove valuable to students taking foreign language classes who want to hear the languages spoken in natural settings.

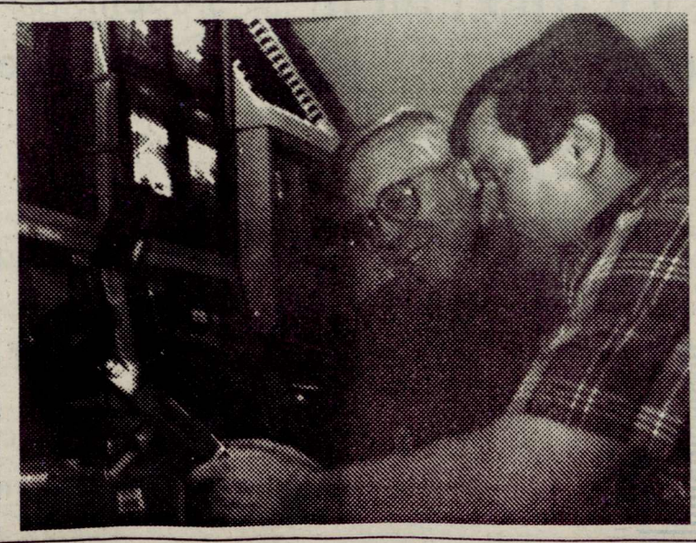
Wallace obtains the films from locations all over Dallas, New Orleans, New York and Memphis. He choose videos he thinks that students will enjoy, although he does take requests.

"They're different types of film making, not the usual type of Hollywood extravaganza," Wallace said.

Wallace acknowledged the wide support he has received for the program from faculty and students.

"Dr. [Ron] McBride [head of Telecommunications and Journalism Dept.] has been just great about letting us use the studio," Wallace said.

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**Ron McBride, head of telecommunications and journalism, discusses future titles in the foreign film series with Ray Wallace, director of the Scholars' College.**



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## Workshop to assist single parents and displaced homemakers

Northwestern will present a workshop designed to assist single parents and displaced homemakers from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday in the Cane River Room of the Student Union.

The workshop, "Building Blocks to a Better Life," is for single parents who have children under age 18 or are expecting a child. The workshop will also address displaced homemakers who have worked as an adult taking care of a household for two or more years, are dependent on public assistance, are unemployed or are having difficulty obtaining employment due to diminished marketable skills.

Topics to be covered include job seeking strategies, time management, building interpersonal skills, money management, goal setting and building self esteem.

Enrollment is limited to the first 50 qualified participants. For more information, contact Brenda Dailey at 357-5222.

## Northwestern selects new director of Leesville campus

Northwestern president Robert A. Alost named C. Creighton Owen executive director of Northwestern's Leesville campus.

The Board of Trustees for State Colleges and Universities approved the appointment. Owen succeeds Dr. Ray Baumgardner.

Owen had served as an adjunct instructor and military counselor at the Leesville campus. Previously, he worked as superintendent of Vernon Parish schools for seven years. His educational career includes tenure as an English teacher, guidance counselor, supervisor of instruction and director of curriculum.

"Creighton Owen was probably the best school superintendent I've ever known," Alost said. "Dr. Baumgardner did a great job, and I know Creighton will take us to new heights. I can't say enough laudatory things about him."



**Ed Brazo, choreographer of the upcoming NSU Theare production of *A Chorus Line*, demonstrates the dance steps of the musical.**

Owen served in the U.S. Army. He has been a businessman in Leesville and a director of economic development for the City of Leesville.

According to Owen, the Leesville campus is likely to grow because of the addition of associate and bachelor degree programs in nursing and a new computer lab.

"I look forward to seeing our programs expand," Owen said. "We are adding new programs, and are looking to add programs that will be of benefit to the people of this area."

Owen also said plans are under way to add a graduate program in education in the spring. Eventually, a program in educational technology may be added.

## Louisiana Beachsweep to begin Saturday

Clean beaches, bayous, rivers and lakes will be the goal of thousands of volunteers Saturday as they participate in the 1994 Great Louisiana Beachsweep and Inland Waterway Cleanup.

As a result of the 1993 Beachsweep and Inland Waterway Cleanup, 6,809 volunteers collected 251,423 pounds of litter along 238 miles of beaches and inland waterways in the state. This year, the State Beachsweep chairman Gwen Emick is expecting participation to continue to grow.

"For over a decade, we have been fortunate to have more and more people each year take an interest in preserving the beauty of our beaches and inland waterways by helping us collect and dispose of unsightly litter," Emick said. "Louisiana's coastline and waterways provide us with abundant economic and recreational opportunities. Our volunteers realize that unless our litter problem is eradicated, the opportunities could be."

## Scholars' College receives scholarship donation

Freeport-McMoRan donated $3,000 to fund a scholarship at the Louisiana Scholars' College.

The scholarship will cover the cost of tuition and housing for a New Orleans-area minority student in the Scholars' College.

"We thank Freeport-McMoRan for their generous donation which will help a student obtain a college education," Dr. Ray Wallace, director of Scholars' College, said. "This donation recognizes the quality education available at the Scholars' College, and shows the commitment a Louisiana corporation has to improving this state."

## Sabine Hall victim of bomb threat

Students at Sabine Hall received a scare Wednesday night. At approximately 11:15 p.m., an unidentified man called the front desk at Sabine and said a bomb was in the building.

Philip Bordelon, a senior Biology major, was working at the front dest of Sabine when the call came. According to Bordelon the man said, "There has been a bomb placed on the first floor and it will go off in ten minutes" and then hung up.

Bordelon has worked at the front desk for Sabine for the past two semesters and has never received a bomb threat before.

Although, Bordelon said he didn't believe the man who called, the residential staff must still call the university police.

"I have to call the police and the house director and then they handle it," Alicia Belgard, a senior psychology major, said. Belgard was the lead RA on duty at the time of the call.

"We used the fire alarm to evacuate the building and each RA made sure everyone was gone," she said.

Belgard said the students were not told about the bomb threat so they would not panic. University police and the Natchitoches Fire Department found nothing and the girls returned to their rooms at 12:20 a.m.

Police said the case is still under investigation.

## Wal-Mart Supercenter opens tomorrow

The long-awaited opening of the Wal-Mart Supercenter will take place at 8 a.m. tomorrow, according to Steve Bellino, the store's manager.

The 202,307 sq. ft. store is the second largest in the world, the largest being in Puerto Rico.

The store will be open 24 hours and features a "mall" atmosphere with its extensive offering of merchandise and services.

The most prominent addition part of the new store is the grocery section which has frozen and nonperishable food items.

The Supercenter replaces an existing store which was built on La. Highway 1 South in 1977. Store officials began the process of clearing merchandise from the old store about two months ago.

## Funeral services held for "Miss Clothilde"

Clothilde Rains, a long-time cashier for ARA Food Service, died Saturday at 12 p.m. at Schumpert Medical Center in Shreveport.

Services were held Monday at Blanchard-St. Denis Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the American Cancer Society.

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# FILMS

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The wide screen and ample space can accommodate large audiences at the Telecommunication Studio located in Kyser Hall. Any where from 15 to 70 students from Scholars' College, Northwestern, the Louisiana School for the Math, Science and the Arts, graduate students and faculty take the opportunity to learn about new cultures.

"They're interesting," Maile Taylor, a Scholars' College sophomore from Natchitoches, said. "It's nice that they're available, although some of them are weird."

The NSU International Film series — sponsored by Scholars' College, the Department of Language and Communications and the Department of Telecommunications and Journalism — shows a different movie every Friday night.

Interested students should arrive by 7 p.m. at Rm. 142, Studio A, in Kyser Hall. Movies usually end by 9 p.m.

"It's something different than one you could find in the video stores in Natchitoches," said John Parker, a Northwestern senior from Lake Arthur, La. "It's nice that you can find something intellectually stimulating — they're windows to other cultures."

"It's the only vague source of culture in Natchitoches," Ian Sutherland, a Scholars' College sophomore from New Orleans, said.

The next film will be a Japanese movie called *Black Rain*.

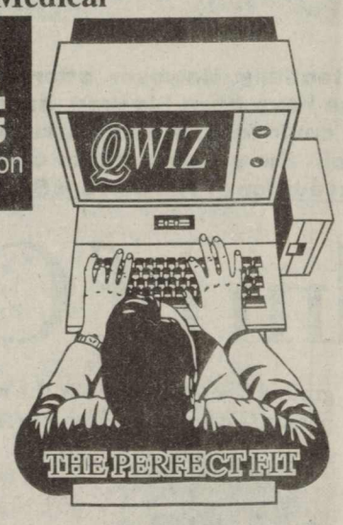
Other movies to be shown throughout the semester, in no particular order, include *The Funeral*, *Closet Land*, *El Mariachi*, *When Father Was Away on Business*, *Cyrano de Bergerac*, *The Garden of Delights*, and *Hiroshima, Mon Amour*.

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**8:30 Student Activities Board**
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**8:40 Alpha Lambda Delta**
8:45 Blue Key
**8:50 National Order of Omega**
8:55 Phi Eta Sigma

**Wednesday, October 12**

5:00 Phi Kappa Phi
**5:05 Purple Jackets**
5:10 Alpha Kappa Delta
**5:15 Der Deutsche Klub**
5:20 Indian Students & Faculty Association
**5:25 Le Cercle Francais**
5:30 Los Amigos
**5:35 Phi Alpha Theta**
5:40 Pre-Law Society
**5:45 Psi Chi**
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6:10 Society of Professional Journalists
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6:20 Association of the U.S. Army
**6:25 Black Knights Drill Team**
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6:40 Sigma Theta Tau
**6:45 Kappa Kappa Psi**
6:50 Music Educators National Conference
**6:55 Phi Boota Roota**
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**7:15 Tau Beta Sigma**
7:20 Bowling Team

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**8:55 Institute of Electrical Electronic Engineers**

**Thursday, October 13**

5:00 Iota Lambda Sigma
**5:05 Kappa Mu Epsilon**
5:10 Mu Epsilon Delta
**5:15 National Association for Industrial Technology**
5:20 Society of Physics Students
**5:25 Greek Council**
5:30 Interfraternity Council
**5:35 Pan-Hellenic Council**
5:40 Panhellenic Association
**5:45 Demon Bat Girls**
5:50 Ninth Wave
**Greeks**
6:00 Alpha Kappa Alpha
**6:15 Alpha Phi Alpha**
6:30 Kappa Alpha Order
**6:45 Kappa Alpha Psi**
7:00 Kappa Sigma
**7:15 Phi Beta Sigma**
7:30 Phi Mu
**7:45 Sigma Kappa**
8:00 Sigma Sigma Sigma
**8:15 Tau Kappa Epsilon**
8:30 Theta Chi
**8:45 Zeta Phi Beta**

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All teams & Individuals wishing to participate need to register in the Leisure Activities Office by 5:00pm, Wed. Sept. 14th

For More Info Call 357-5461

# LifeStyle

Tuesday, September 13, 1994




# Career/Graduate day could be beneficial in job search

LESLIE HENNIGAN
*The Current Sauce*

The Department of Counseling and Career Services and the Office of Cooperative Education are working very hard on preparations for their 1994-95 Career/Graduate Day.

Beginning on Sept. 14, counselors will offer a week-long program in which they will help students make decisions, find potential jobs and develop a career. The program also focuses on preparing graduating seniors for life outside of college.

Frances Conine, director of Counseling andCareer Services, encourages all students, alumni and faculty to participate in the activities.

"We will give helpful hints," Conine said.

According to Conine, Career/Graduate Day focuses itself mainly on science and business. The program spans almost the entire Northwestern curriculum, which will give students of almost any major an opportunity to come.

The sessions during the week will provide lectures on topics such as selecting a major, learning to interview, preparing the right resume, preparing for graduate school and job-seeking strategies.

It is also important for freshmen and sophomores to participate in the activities because, after speaking with company representatives, students can learn about different positions and careers open within a specific curriculum, according to Jennifer Maggio, a counselor for the department. "For you juniors and seniors, it's [attendance] for your typical reasons," Maggio said. "They're beginning to get into the job market. And the more connections they have the better they are going to be."

According to Co-Op Director Margaret Kilcoyne, the workshop for selecting a major involves small group discussions with individual counselors. Techniques and ways of choosing a major are explained. Undecided freshmen usually make up the majority of these groups.

In learning to interview, counselors cover areas such as the importance of first impressions, attitude and proper attire. They also emphasize punctuality and courtesy.

For the preparation of a great resume, students will be shown the different parts of the resume and how they are supposed to be filled out.

Those who are preparing for graduate school will be given options as to where to go after they leave Northwestern to continue their education.

Job-seeking strategies are examined to review how to help students find different contacts and possible employers. Counselors will discuss how to find the right type of employment.

Representatives from over 35 businesses, ranging from large corporations to small, privately-owned establishments, will show students a little bit about how they operate and what they have to offer. Some of the businesses attending will be LSU Medical Center, Met Life, Premier Bank and Modern Woodmen of America.

Maggio said most of the participating businesses are companies which have previously been pleased with the students and the exposure.

If possible, students who are attending should wear a suit or professional attire. Students are not required to bring any specific mate-

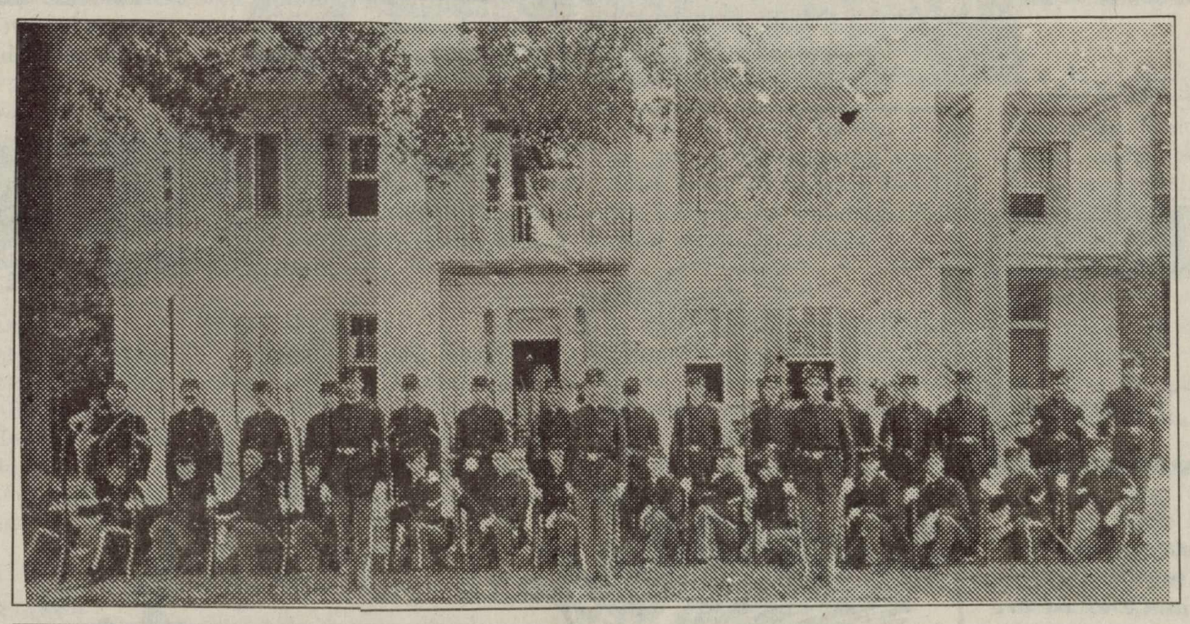
# SYMBOL OF STRENGTH

## They Stand the Test of Time

### The Columns have stood through more than a century of fire, storms and changes of ownership

*Editor's note: this is the first installment of our series on Northwestern history*

HEATHER COOLEY
*The Current Sauce*







**The three columns (once four) once were the front porch support for the Bullard mansion that stood next to Caldwell Hall (right). During the Civil War, the mansion was searched by Union troops (top). When Caldwell Hall was destroyed by fire in 1982, firemen fought to save the columns from destruction also.**

Northwestern's most familiar symbol is not the lemon, and its not the flaming "N," but it 's the three tall stuccoed columns that stand regally in the field in from of Russell Hall. No student has ever passed through Northwestern without knowing these columns both as a physical part of the campus and as a symbol of the university.

But these columns were not erected as a symbol of Northwestern; they are all that remains of an impressive Greek revival mansion, the Bullard Mansion, built on that very spot in 1832.

Charles Adam Bullard and his wife Julia built the mansion facing the Red River floodplain and what is now Chaplin's Lake. In her book, *Northwestern State University of Louisiana: 1884-1984*, Dr. Marietta M. LeBreton describes the mansion: "A live oak avenue led from the river up to the two and one-half story home. Four massive round stuccoed columns rose twenty-six feet from their four-foot bases to support the east gable. Over the elaborate paneled doorway nestled a little balcony. The interior of the mansion was spacious but of simple layout. A 12-foot hall extended from the front doorway through the building to a spiral stairway leading to the second floor and attic. On the ground floor there were four rooms including two parlors, one on each side of the hall, for entertaining visitors. A small private chapel for family use was located behind the south parlor.

The other rooms of the first floor as well as those of the second were used for living quarters. The second story rooms were designed much like those of the first story while the third story or attic consisted of one immense rectangular room where the Bullard family had parties, dances and church affairs."

The Bullard Mansion and the surrounding property changed owners several times during the next few years. In 1850, the property, which included the mansion, other improvements and 45 acres, was purchased by Father (and later Bishop) Auguste Martin. In 1856, Bishop Martin sold (or ceded) the property to the Sisters of the Sacred Heart for their convent and school.

The Sisters of the Sacred Heart had been in Natchitoches since 1847. They had come here at the request of the Bishop and other Natchitoches citizens who were concerned that there was no Catholic school in the area. Their school began that year with six pupils. It was the first Catholic school in North Louisiana.

In 1857, the convent and the school moved to what was known as the Bullard Mansion. Within a year, another impressive building—larger even than the Bullard Mansion—was built next door. This building later became known as the Convent Building. All of these building faced eastward toward Chaplin's Lake, which at that time was the main channel of the Red River.

In 1864, during the Union invasion up the Red River, Yankee soldiers occupied Natchitoches for a while and during that time conducted a search of the convent, looking for ammunition and Rebel soldiers. They found none, but they did excite the female students at the Academy.

The school had survived yellow fever, droughts, and Yankees, but it could not survive Reconstruction. It closed in 1875—never to reopen. In 1876, the Sisters boarded a steamboat at Grand Ecore and said goodbye to Natchitoches.

The building and grounds were deserted until 1884 when the site was selected for a new State Normal School. Normal Schools were a hot item in education in the late 1800s. They were popping up all over the United States to train students as teachers.

The first president of the Natchitoches Normal School was Dr. Edward Sheib. Dr. Sheib had attended Loyola in Baltimore and graduated from Georgetown University. He later studied in Europe and received his Ph.D. from the University of Leipzig. During his time in Europe, he studied and wrote papers on the function of the normal school. He was a natural choice to come to Natchitoches.

The students who attended the Normal School were called Normalites. They used the Mansion as a dormitory and infirmary, and they began calling the building the Matron's Building. In 1897 the building was remodeled and the girls were given "the handsomest and most sanitary beds," each of which included "the best Louisiana moss mattress."

In 1888 there was an interesting incident in which two Normal School female students were dismissed from the school for improper conduct. They had sent off for a pamphlet they had seen advertised in the newspaper. The pamplet was about painless and safe childbirth. (Apparently, Northwestern girls have always been wild.)

The Normal School continued to grow. Enrollment climbed and fine new buildings were added to the campus.

Then in 1913, the Bullard Mansion aka Matron's Building aka Donaho Building was torn down. It had not been kept up and had been condemned by the fire marshal. When the building was destroyed, those four grand stuccoed columns were left standing.

For a while, they were covered with English ivy brought here from Mt. Vernon. In 1937, one of the columns had to be removed because it was in danger of falling. The other three were later strengthened.

And they they stand still, a symbol of Northwestern and its history of excellence.

### The Columns
by Sybil Moore

*The stately columns on the Hill*
*In brooding moonlight gleam like pearl;*
*In winter they are chaste and still;*
*In summer round them vines unfurl.*
*In times of old, I've heard it said,*
*These columns graced a home so fair;*
*And, later, sacred duty had*
*to beautify a convent there.*
*Their tryst they kept, e'en as the nuns;*
*And Time, their father, them rewards,*
*For still not one its duty shuns,*
*But oft some smiling thought records.*
*And man, by vines for beauty trained,*
*Has helpful fulfill the columns; choice*
*Of giving forth whate'er they've gained*
*And whispering, through the leaves, their voice.*
*The columns stand upon the Hill*
*A group of four, where birdies nest;*
*In winter they are chaste and still;*
*But wake in spring, in ivy rest.*

# New Faces' opens fourth year of Loft productions

AMY WISDOM
*The Current Sauce*

New theater students will showcase their talents in the fourth annual Loft Production of *New Faces* at 7:30 tonight in Theater West of the Performing Arts Center.

Admission is free to everyone.

According to Dr. Jack Wann, theater director, *New Faces* is a collaboration featuring the singing, dancing, acting, designing and lighting talents of freshman and transfer theater students.



**Freshmen and transfer students are the featured cast of the new production *'New Faces.'* The play opens the Loft theater series for 1994-95.**

"The beautiful thing about theater is that every kind of talent can be used," Wann said. "This gets the new students in front of their peers and the public and allows them to showcase their individual strengths, while getting used to working together."

Jenny Kendrick, a freshman from Natchitoches, has been in several of Northwestern's summer productions, but said *New Faces* has allowed her to get to know the other new students and have fun with the production. "We have [up to] four minutes to show our strengths, and we have had a good time putting it together."

Wann looks forward to a successful year with the students. "The students we have now are all talented," he said. "Sometimes a handful of students will shine and get all the publicity, but that is not the case here. We really have many different talented students."

Greg Horton, a sophomore transfer student from Arkansas State University, agreed. "There is a lot of talent here in everyone."

Wann said the theater department should have no problem delivering good shows such as the public has come to expect. "Not only do they expect us to be good, but they want us to be good," he said. "I think we have a great relationship with the campus. It keeps us pushing ourselves."

The Loft Productions are the department's "off Broadway," according to Wann. They emphasize the work of the cast and crew, rather than props and costume. "It is a much lower budget than our big productions," Wann said.

Kendrick described the Loft Productions as "more casual and experimental theater."

One loft production is scheduled each month of the semester. Normally, productions are held in the Loft of the Performing Arts Center, but with the audience expected for this show, Theater West provides more seating.

The attendance for theater productions is usually maximum, and Wann expects the same tonight. "We appreciate the audiences. They give us good support, and I think we deliver a good product to them."

Wann added that he expects the seats in Theater West to fill quickly for the one-time performance of *New Faces*.

HOLIDAY HISTORY

# Yom Kippur

HEATHER COOLEY
*The Current Sauce*

Yom Kippur, a day of solemn penitence, is this Thursday. This holiday is the last of the 10 days of repentance which began opened the Jewish Calendar year.

Jews are forbidden to eat, drink, wash, wear leather or have sexual relations on Yom Kippur.

The eve of Yom Kippur is considered a semi-festival on which rituals are performed in preparation for the holy day. Some Jews visit ritual baths to purify themselves. It is traditional to ask forgiveness of those to whom injustice may have been done and to free oneself of unwise commitments before an ad hoc tribunal of three.

Rosh Hashanah is the day on which one's fate is determined for the coming year, but on Yom Kippur one's fate is said to be sealed, and Ne'ila, the closing prayer, ends that process.

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# Issues of health should be left to individual



**Brad Thibodaux**

The Daux Chronicles

There has been a recent movement in this country to take away individual freedoms in the name of health and fairness. The main issue that comes to mind is the attack on smokers. These people have been portrayed as though they were drug abusers. The tobacco industry has been treated as though it was the devil on earth.

This is ridiculous. Just because a few people feel that smoking is wrong does not mean that it should be banned. Everyone who smokes knows what can happen if they continue, the evidence being that it is unhealthy is overwhelming. But, so is eating a lot of butter, and you do not see the government of the United States starting a ban on butter.

The only answer that I can come up with is that this makes some people feel good about themselves. They feel that they are better people because they are taking away a "dangerous" toy from an irresponsible "child."

This country already tried to ban alcohol and we know how well that idea turned out. Is tobacco going to be the next prohibition?

You hear and read about how evil the tobacco industry is and how they should be forced out of business. Don't these people realize what they're saying? If the tobacco industry closed down then thousands of people would lose their jobs: from the people who work in the factories, to those who farm the tobacco plant. All of these would be put out of business and everyone employed by these people would be let go. This should be considered before anyone even mentions putting the tobacco industry out of business.

Laws against smokers have already been passed throughout the country, some going so far as to prohibit people from smoking on public streets. These laws have been challenged, but to no avail. I thought in America things like this could not happen. These types of suppressive laws were only passed in Communist countries where people were slaves to the ruling government.

If the people of the United States don't stand up and fight for their individual liberties then we are destined down a path of socialism where government controls every facet of life. It can happen, the next thing our government will try to do is take away our right to bear arms. It's your country, it's your call.

# Recipe for Health

*Unrealistic expectations breed eating disorder*



**Rebecca Bacle**

Guest Column

***As Miss Northwestern Lady of the Bracelet, Rebecca Bacle has made it her responsibility to enlighten the community on the dangers of eating disorders. Bacle stresses that nutrition and exercise are important health care concerns which should not be overlooked. She has written this personal story to inform young women and men about the seriousness of this topic.***

No one is perfect. However, in our society we are each expected to be just that — perfect.

Today, women are often pushed, particularly by the media, to measure up to standards of beauty that are near impossible for the majority of women to reach and maintain. Thus, many women resort to unhealthy means in order to keep their bodies thin, which can lead to the onset of dangerous diseases such as anorexia nervosa and bulimia.

An estimated one out of four college women is affected by an eating disorder. Both anorexia nervosa and bulimia can cause serious health care problems: heart failure, liver and kidney dysfunction, tooth decay and sterility to name a few. Still, these diseases are often overlooked or they are seen as fad diets or simple acts of vanity.

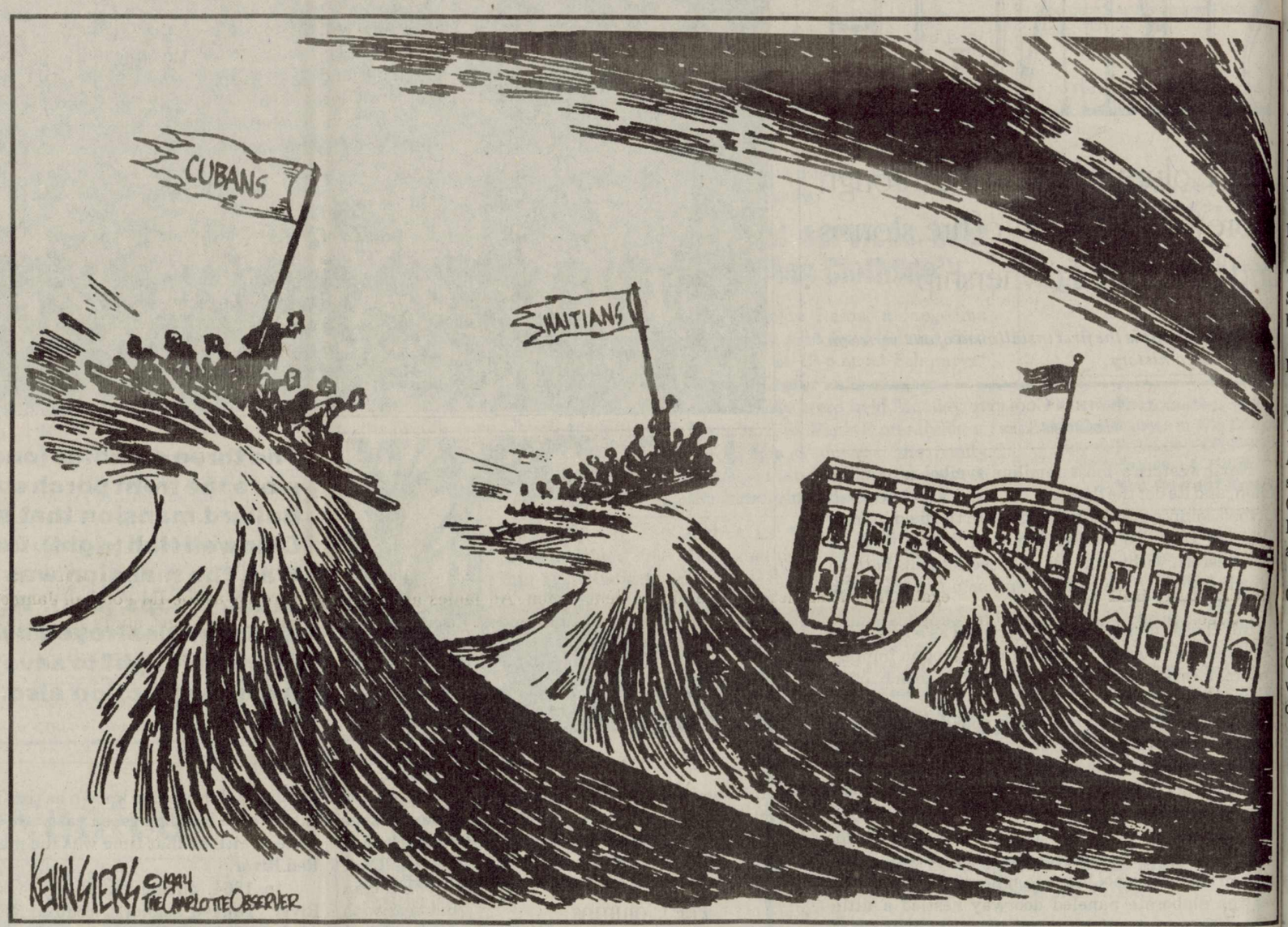
Do not be misled. Both anorexia and bulimia can be fatal. They are serious illnesses that deserve serious attention. And sadly, many times the health care problems associated with anorexia and bulimia could have been avoided if friends and family would have known the warning signs.

Women who show obsessive behavior regarding food and exercise are very likely to become anorexic or bulimic. Women (and men) who are often tired and have no energy, have dark circles under the eyes, unhealthy hair and nails, pale complexion, lose weight rapidly or in spurts are also very likely to be suffering from anorexia or bulimia.

If you, a friend or family member show any of these signs, do not hesitate to get help. Tell someone — anyone. A nurse in the infirmary or a doctor can refer individuals to eating disorder specialists and psychiatrists who can help. Support groups are also available for victims of anorexia or bulimia through the counseling services of Northwestern. They can also refer patients to national and local support/therapy groups.

Anorexia and bulimia are serious diseases with a simple solution — prevention. Do not wait until it's too late.

***Bacle has used research materials from the Center for Disease Control to develop her "Win with Wellness" program. Organizations interested in the program can leave a message in the SAB office, Rm. 214 of the Student Union.***




# Involvement provides catalyst for change



**Madelyn Boudreaux**

Banana Notes

"Hey! It ain't the '60s you know, it's the '90s!"

So I'm told whenever I espouse some typically liberal commie viewpoint like the concept that people of various races ought to be treated the same. Or that women are equal to men and should be treated as such. Or that throwing trash on the ground is bad for the environment.

"Commie freak!" they hiss. "Nutcase, fruitcake. Activist!"

It isn't that people don't know about these things — I haven't met many people at Northwestern who honestly believe in white supremacy, and even the most sexist are usually willing to admit that the days of housewives are over. Most students are truly aware of the environment's problems; our campus seems cleaner these days, too, although it might just be in contrast to the mess next to Kyser.

Some other beliefs are a little more outré. The issue of gay rights (like the right of homosexuals not to have their brains beaten out by drunken idiots, for instance) strikes a chord of fear in the average citizen's heart. Reproductive rights worry people, too; a lot of people don't realize that part of that issue is the desire to protect women's rights to HAVE babies, which in some parts of the world is threatened. Others think that AIDS education is just another way to tell unmarried people that sex is okay.

Today, it just seems as if a million causes, some worthy, others not, are screaming at us. Crime has reached new levels and everyone has a different solution (More guns! Less guns! More parents! Less children! More cops! Less politicians!). It's enough to make a reasonably intelligent college student want to just bury herself in homework rather than get involved.

With all these issues and all the different ministers of propaganda demanding our attention, who knows what to do, what to believe. Between the newspaper articles that declare that the so-called X-Generation is just a generation of TV-fed losers and the chant of an older generation of activists that insist that we wouldn't know a cause if it came up and bit us, it seems like the college crowd can't win for losing.

On our own campus, the opportunities for activism are severely limited. Last spring, while visiting a university in the Midwest, I was amazed to find an entire coalition of activist groups.

This university, which is similar in size the Northwestern, and whose students chronically complained about apathy, had numerous organizations spanning the political terrain. The student government association included commissions for women's issues, and boasted over 50 members. On returning to Natchitoches, I was depressed to remember that politics here is about who gets to pledge which fraternity and what nightclub is open to which patrons.

Still, an environment is what it's inhabitants make it. If opportunities are limited here, at least they are existent. Because so many people *are* apathetic here at Northwestern, those who want to take a stand don't have too much competition.

I wish that the strongest organizations would take stands to help out. Campus organizations here are too inward — rather than trying to work to change the area, they spend most of their energy in endless sessions, meeting the needs of their members but never reaching outward to carry their messages to, or help, others. The Baptist Student Association, which must be one of the largest groups here, could use its great influence to make a real difference here in Natchitoches. How about a coat-drive to benefit needy children, or a food-drive for Thanksgiving? Two years ago, they helped set up a church in LaPlace, but their presence here is limited to study time for their own members.

We don't hear enough from the Black Student Association and the campus chapter of the NAACP. Likewise, the Native American Student Association could help educate students about the abuses of Native American lands (such as the spraying of pesticides that nearly killed 27 dancers at a Sun Dance in Idaho this summer) or the triumphs of tribes to gain control over their economics.

Surely the arts organizations on campus have a stake in the protection of the First Amendment! Art and literature has always been as much about beauty as it has been about politics, but at NSU there is nary a peep about the freedom of speech, at least until someone feels his or hers has been threatened. Don't the members of the Forestry/Wildlife Conservation Club have something to say about the environment or the litter left in Kisatchie by summer swimmers?

Even the College Republicans, are quiet. The College Democrats disappeared years ago. That briefly triumphant Student Action League that brought us the Freedom Rally during the last gubernatorial race is gone as well, and nothing seems to have risen to take its place.

And why is the ROTC so quiet? The military exist to protect the citizens, of course. However, the citizens have duties, too, such as the duty to vote. ROTC could do a great service by helping with a voter registration drive. In fact, any organization that cares about the state of the nation could do something like this.

And for those who want to get involved in general student politics, the class elections for the Student Government Association are coming up.

Miss Lady of the Bracelet, Rebecca Bacle, is one of the few students on campus to take a stand. Bacle is using her title and influence to educate people about the dangers of eating disorders, especially among young women. We should applaud her for taking a stand and trying to make an important issue known.

The field is wide open for people and groups that want to make a difference. The hard part is figuring out what you believe and then getting out there and making something happen. Don't just sit there! Get active!

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# Native American foods: Variety is the spice of life



**Barbara McHenry**

**Nutrition**

It is inevitable that our customary diet goes out the window during holiday travel. It isn't so much that we become irresponsible in our choices of foods. There simply is an overwhelming desire to sample as much of the local specialties as possible in the short amount of time available.

A case in point — my Labor Day weekend at the 42nd Cherokee National Holiday in Tahlequah, Okla. The drive through this area is far from boring due to the huge rolling hills, the Illinois river, and lakes Eufala and Tenkiller. Once in Tahlequah, the Cherokee handcrafted art displays are especially worth the trip — beautiful dream catchers and wildly exotic painted shirts, scarfs and rugs.

Around noon I was drawn to a particular tent by the aroma of Indian tacos. These are somewhat like the Mexican taco salad, except they use fry bread (made with flour, soda and water) instead of the taco shell. They also prepare the Indian taco with very little salt.

Afterwards, I found a quaint little cookbook, *Cherokee Cooklore,* by Mary Ulmer and Samuel E. Beck. The recipes have been handed down from Aggie Lossiah, granddaughter of Chief John Ross from Cherokee, N.C. (Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation at the time of the Removal —1830s). In this booklet is a recipe for bean bread (Tsu-Ya-Ga Du) along with variants of the recipe for chestnut bread (Di-S-Qua-Ni) and sweet potato bread (Oo-Ga-Na-S-Ti).

There are two more versions of the bean bread recipe after explaining the old step-by-step corn flour grinding days: "After advent of grist mills" which says "Sieve the meal, add wood ashes lye to the meal until it begins to turn a little yellow . . . ." The modern version (that I can now appreciate considerably) merely says to "Use any kind of cornmeal, add cooked beans, baking soda and salt." How spoiled we are in the 20th Century!

The thing is, because of a weekend vacation learning about another culture, a regular cornbread recipe can now be modified with extra nutrition — protein.

In the past we have been leery of eating corn products because of the calories; yet, we now find that the ability of this fiber to carry bad fat out of the body outweighs the importance of counting the calories. This current bit of information might be a "big deal" to us; however, corn flour has long been a staple of the Native American Indians.

## CampusConnection

**American Chemical Society**

Anyone interested in science, such as chemistry, physics or astronomy is invited to a meeting at 5 p.m. Thursday in Rm. 113 Fournet Hall. If you have any questions, please call Kelly at 357-5747 or Dr. Marsh at 357-5232.

**Purple Jackets**

The Purple Jackets will meet at 7:30 a.m. Thursday in Rm. 321 of the Student Union. Remember, old members, to bring $10 for dues.

**Delta Sigma Theta**

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. will have formal rush at 7 p.m. Sept. 19. The rush will be held at the Alumni house located across the street from the Wesley Foundation. Questions are directed to Shenika Baisley at 352-8897 or Collette Green at 356-9251.

**Greek Study Hall**

Greek Study Hall is available for all members of the Northwestern Greek cunity. All study hall sessions will be held in Rm. 221 of the Student Union. Study Hall for the fall semester will follow the outlined schedule: from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday; 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Tuesday; 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday; 9 a.m. to 11 a.m., Thursday and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Friday.

**Pan-Hellenic Council**

The Northwestern Pan-Hellenic Council will meet at 4 p.m. Wednesday in Rm. 221 of the Student Union. All National Pan-Hellenic Council organizations should have one delegate in attendance for the planning meeting. Officer elections will be held.

**Panhellenic Association**

The Panhellenic Association will meet at 3:30 p.m. today in Rm. 221 of the Student Union. All delegates should plan to attend this meeting. Applications for the Lucile M. Hendricks Panhellenic Scholarship are available from Panhellenic delegates. The deadline for scholarship applications is Oct. 30.

**Greek Council**

The first meeting of the Greek Council will be at 5 p.m. Thursday in Rm. 221 of the Student Union. All presidents of social Greek-letter organizations are required to attend this meeting. For more information contact the Office of Student Activities at 6511.

**Order of Omega**

Initiation for the newly elected members of the National Order of Omega will be 3 p.m. Sunday in the President's Room of the Student Union. All members are required to attend the event. The next meeting of the Order of Omega will be 7:15 a.m. Sept. 20 in Rm. 221 of the Student Union.

**Alpha Kappa Alpha**

The Eta Chi Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. announces three events for the fall 1994 semester. First will be the Rhapsody in Pink: Girl Talk 2 at 8 p.m. Sept. 27 in the Faculty Lounge of the Student Union. All ladies are encouraged to attend to discuss social issues of concern to women. Second will be the fall 1994 Rush at 8 p.m. Oct. 11 in the President's Room of the Student Union. More information will be posted. Finally, the second annual Homecoming Step Off Greek Show will be 8 p.m. Oct. 21 in the Intramural Building. Ticket prices will be announced.

**Blue Key**

Blue Key will meet at 6:30 p.m. Thursday in Rm. 321 of the Student Union. Members are reminded of our attendance policy, so please be present. Also all blotter information should be turned in at this meeting. Group pictures are coming up soon so be looking for the schedule. Call Clay at 352-8827 if you have any questions.

**Sigma Sigma Sigma**

Sigmas have a busy week, so make sure to support the chapter. Tuesday members will have football practice at 5:30. On Wednesday come swim or cheer at the IM Swim Meet at 3:30. On Thursday support the sorority at the IM Football Jamboree. Don't forget study hall hours this week.

**Kappa Sigma**

Big Brother-Lil Brother is Wednesday. Meet at 6:30 p.m. at the house. Ladies get ready because Luau starts Friday. If you need an invitation, please contact Brent Weir at 352-0292. Bid Night shirts are in, so if you need one come by the Sig house or call Brent Weir. Study hall will be held for actives and pledges at the library. For more information call Clay Gardner at 352-8827 or call the library.

**NSU International Film Series**

The NSU International Film Series presents Shohei Imamura's classic *Black Rain* at 7 p.m. Friday in Rm. 142, Studio A, Kyser Hall. A Cannes Film Festival winner and recipient of five Japanese academy awards including Best Picture, *Black Rain* chronicles the lives of survivors after Hiroshima. The International Film Series is sponsored by the Scholars' College, The Department of Language and Communications and the Department of Telecommunications and Journalism. Admission is free.

**Current Sauce**

We will not have a meeting this week. The staff will meet next Wednesday at 5 p.m. Handbooks and deadline issues will be discussed at this meeting, so it is mandatory that you attend.

**Who's Who**

Nominations for *Who's Who* from academic departments and chartered organizations are due by 4:30 p.m. Sept. 16. Nominations must be turned in to the director of student activities & organizations, Rm. 214 in the Student Union.

**Black Student Association**

The Black Student Association will meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday in the Cane River Room of the Student Union. New and old members are welcome. "To achieve we must believe!"

**Phi Beta Lambda**

Phi Beta Lambda will meet at noon Wednesday in Rm. 102 of Morrison Hall. A guest speaker will attend. Students of any major who are interested in business and competition may join.

# Grandparents deserve respect



**Bridgette Morvant**

**In My Opinion**

When my brother and I spent the night at my grandmother's house she used to get up at 5 a.m. to bake our favorite breakfast — little cinnamon doughnuts.

I loved to hear my grandmother tell stories about her childhood — giving details about the merchandise in her father's general store or the one-room school house where she attended elementary school. I know several stories almost by heart.

Perhaps I would not have become an journalism major if my grandmother had not been and English teacher (she constantly corrected my grammar).

For those of us fortunate enough to remember our grandparents, this column will probably conjure up happy childhood memories of very dear loved ones. Now that we are college students, we're often too busy with studies and social obligations to even call our parents much less grandma and grandpa. But, with Grandparents' Day having been just Sunday it's not too late to send a belated card or letter. Just think how happy they'll be to hear about your last chemistry test or the size of your new dorm room (grandparents are wonderful sympathy-givers).

I am blessed with three grandparents living and memories of my late grandfather. The grandmother to whom I referred now lives with my parents and I can see her whenever I visit home. Unfortunately, as much as I want to reminisce about the past with her, the ravages of Alzheimer's disease prevents me from doing so.

My grandmother is still a wonderful, sweet person whom I love very much. Still, she is not the same woman who babysat me after school and fed me too many sweets. Now that I'm older, I regret not having taken advantage of the good times we had together. There are so many more stories and so much information about my ancestors which will be forever lost from her memory — and ours. Of course, I also have two wonderful grandparents who, although they don't see me often, faithfully keep in touch through cards and letters. I love receiving mail from them — we all know how lonely an empty mailbox can be.

The point to be made here is not a sad one. With the recent holiday, let's take this time to reflect upon a wonderful family treasure — our grandparents. It's never to late to pick up the phone or drop a line. Who knows, maybe they'll mail back a care package with cinnamon doughnuts.


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| Job Seeking Strategies | 2:00 p.m. |

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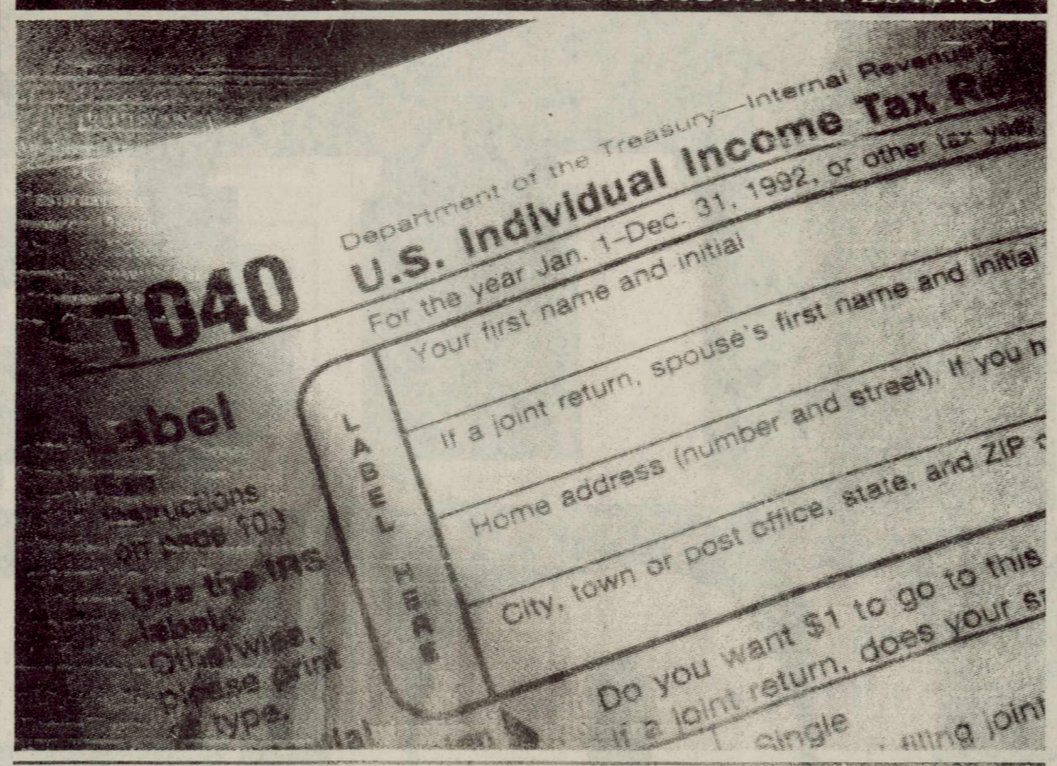
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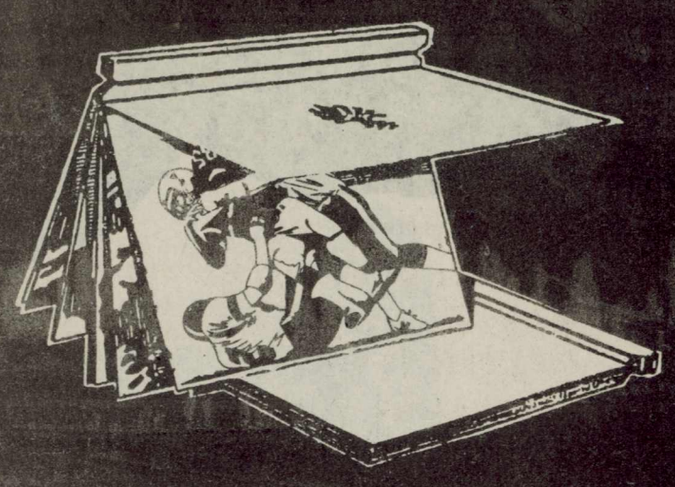
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doubting the credentials of their current professors, students lodged their main complaint about not receiving those Scholars' College instructors for their core classes.

According to the students at the forum, the teaching methods of Scholars' College versus the methods of Northwestern instructors differ. Traditional Scholars' College classes use a seminar format, and Northwestern faculty use a lecture format.

The method of using Northwestern faculty for some Scholars' College classes has always been used, but according to Dr. Lisa Wolfe, associate director of Louisiana Scholars' College, Scholars' College had scheduling conflicts for some classes, and time constraints made it necessary to obtain the services of "first rate Northwestern faculty" for the core classes.

Upperclassmen questioned if the need for freshman enrollment had superseded the strict selective process normally required for an incoming class and asked if quality had been sacrificed for quantity.

Scholars' College faculty answered that standards had not decreased and that the incoming freshmen are highly capable of successfully completing the program.

"My general feeling is that a lot of my questions were answered," Nathan Wood, a junior from Natchitoches, said. "It was long and tiresome, but I'm glad the faculty answered our questions clearly and dispelled a lot of rumors."


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# SportsWeek

Tuesday, September 13, 1994


Demons wake from sleepwalk to best Delta State 15-12

# NSU scores first win of '94 season

MIKE WHITMIRE
*The Current Sauce*

After sleepwalking through the first half, Northwestern State came up with enough big plays Saturday in Turpin Stadium to escape with its first win of the season.

The Demon defense came up with two crucial fourth-quarter plays to preserve Northwestern's 15-12 non-conference victory over Delta State.

Northwestern improved to 1-1 on the season and opens Southland Conference play Saturday at Nicholls State.

With the Demons clinging to a 15-12 lead, Marlon Edwards and Steve Readeaux stopped Statesman running back Joe Hobson on fourth-and-goal from the one for a 3-yard loss with 4:10 left, and with :24 seconds to play, Tony Echols picked off DSU quarterback David Crowe at the Northwestern 39 yard-line to ice the game.

"I saw the running back get the ball and I just started pursuing," said Edwards, who made the initial hit on Hobson on the goal line stand. "And I made the tackle with a little help from Readeaux."

Goodwin was satisfied with his defense in the second half, but not in the first 30 minutes.

"Defensively, in the second half we played outstanding," Goodwin said. "But in the first half we were a little lackadaisical. We did get the great goal line stand and had the big interception."

Delta State opened the scoring in the first period with a Jason Klimczak 20-yard field goal, and boosted the score to 6-0 early in the second period with Klimczak's 21-yard field goal.

The second three-pointer came after DSU's Henry Johnson picked off a Brian Andrews' pass and returned the ball 47 yards to the Demon 13.

Terry Williams put the first points of the season on the board for Northwestern on its next possession, going up the middle for 55-yard touchdown. The point after gave the Demons a 7-6 lead.

With about three minutes left in the first half, Delta State's Johnson made his second big play of the game.

He picked up a Danny Alexander fumble and sprinted 71 yards to score, giving the Statesmen a 12-7 halftime edge.

Grant Crowder recovered a DSU fumble in the third period to set up the Demon offense on the Statesmen 12 yardline. Six plays later, Clarence Matthews hit pay dirt from one yard away to give the Demons the lead. Matthews then scored on a two-point conversion to give the Demons a 15-12 lead.

The Demon offense continued to make some mistakes, and Goodwin wasn't sure how much progress Northwestern's offense had made since its 20-0 loss in the season opener.

"We'll look at the film and maybe see that we made big strides, but it didn't seem like it in the first half," Goodwin said. "We had a few good plays, but we were so inconsistent and had turnovers. Even in the second half we were hit and miss. It was hard to sustain something. You've got to be consistent."

Williamson had a game-high 87 yards rushing and a touchdown for the Demons, and Matthews added 82 rushing and a touchdown.

Brandon Emanuel replaced Andrews at quarterback in the second period, and finished the game hitting on four of eight passes for 36 yards with two interceptions. Andrews was two for six with one interception.

Readeaux had nine tackles to lead the Demon defense, George Haynes added eight and Echols had seven tackles and an interception.

Goodwin hopes to get starting quarterback Brad Laird and starting center John Dippel back for Saturday's game.

"We had some real disappointing penalties," Goodwin said. "I thought we really hurt ourselves and smart teams don't do things like that. Right now we've just got to be a smarter football team."

# PLAYER OF THE WEEK

MIKE WHITMIRE
*The Current Sauce*

Marlon Edwards, who made a game-saving tackle at the goal line with four minutes left in Northwestern's 15-12 win over Delta State Saturday, was named *The Current Sauce's* Player of the Week.

Edwards made the first hit on Statesmen running back Joe Hobson and got help from Steve Readeaux to drive Hobson back for a 3-yard loss on fourth and goal from the one yardline with the Northwestern clinging to its 15-12 lead.

"I was on a goal line plug," Edwards said of his assignment on the play. "It's not exactly a blitz but I have to fill the hole."

For the game Edwards had two solo tackles, two assists and he batted down a pass. Two of his tackles were for losses.

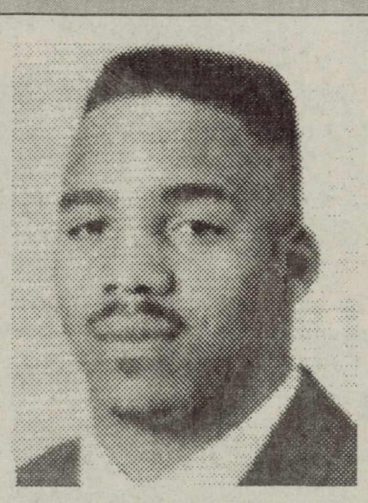
The sophomore from Bronx, N.Y., played in all 11 games as a freshman for the Demons. He had 38 tackles and one interception that he returned 47 yards for a touchdown.

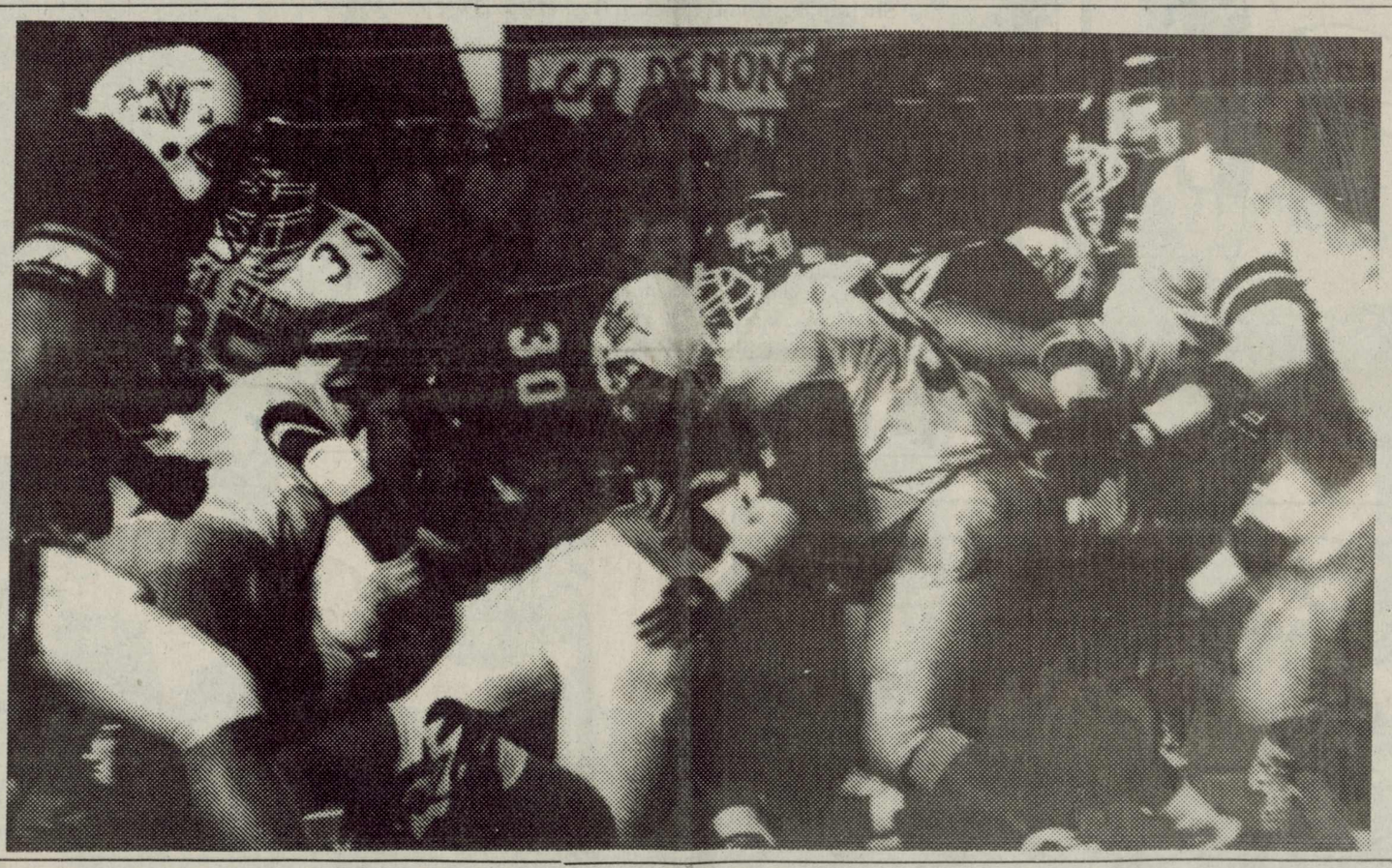
According to Edwards, Saturday's win should be a boost for the team.

"We're about to head into conference play, and now the offense has a little boost," he said. "This is something to build on. We came together as a team."

## Player File

Name: Marlon Edwards
Age: 21
Hometown: Bronx, N.Y.
Major: Psychology
Performance vs. Delta State: Four tackles, including game-saving tackle on the goal line and one blocked pass.
1993: 38 tackles and one interception returned for a touchdown.





**William Williber, running back for the Demons, attempts to recover the fumble during Saturday's win over Delta State.**

## Quick Facts On Nicholls State

**Location:**
Thibodaux, La.

**Founded:**
1948

**Enrollment:**
7,605

**Nickname:**
Colonels

**Colors:**
Red and Gray

**Famous Alumni:**
Mark Carrier

**Conference:**
Southland Conference

**Coach:**
Rick Rhoades

**Career Record:**
35-22-1

**1993 Record:**
3-8

**Last Meeting:**
1993 at Northwestern
— Northwestern won 35-21

**Next Game:**
October 1, at Samford

**Neat Thing About Nicholls:** Though the mascot is Colonels, the school is named for General Francis T. Nicholls, former La. governor.

## HOW THE DEMONS AND THE COLONELS MATCH UP

NEXT GAME

| DEMON OFFENSIVE LINE | | | DEMON DEFENSIVE LINE | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| SE | 82 | Jared Johnston | DE | 97 Robert Wright |
| OT | 79 | Neal Sharkey | DT | 57 Nathan Platt |
| OG | 75 | Shawn Baumgarten | NT | 89 Robert Oliver |
| C | 70 | Stuart Archer | DT | 98 Tracy Harris |
| OG | 67 | Joel Ferguson | DE | 40 Marlon Edwards |
| OT | 62 | Jody Ferguson | LB | 52 George Haynes |
| TE | 85 | Preston Arnold | LB | 54 Steve Readeaux |
| FL | 1 | James Brock | CB | 9 Kevin Rhodes |
| FB | 30 | William Williber | SS | 19 Terry Mills |
| TB | 33 | Clarence Matthews | FS | 6 Tony Echols |
| QB | 11 | Brian Andrews | CB | 14 Tiemayne Evans |
| K | 4 | Jason Fernandez | P | 26 Jason Louviere |

| COLONELS OFFENSIVE LINE | | | COLONELS DEFENSE LINE | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| SE | 7 | Derrick Maxwell | LE | 81 Todd Harris |
| LT | 61 | Gary Buquoi | LT | 78 Derronne Bernard |
| LG | 76 | Allen Catoire | RT | 97 Eric Fountain |
| C | 51 | Dean Buckland | RE | 93 Leslie Crowe |
| RG | 57 | Greg Reynolds | OLB | 14 Jared Allemand |
| RT | 71 | Michael LeBlanc | ILB | 45 Darnell Small |
| TE | 84 | Toby Lafont | ILB | 94 Tyrone Houston |
| QB | 9 | Corey Thomas | OLB | 24 Jody Blanchard |
| FB | 2 | Roscoe Griffin | CB | 5 Clarence Wiggins |
| WB | 39 | Mark Coats | FS | 30 Darryl Pounds |
| TB | 28 | Frank Wilson | CB | 13 Michael Willis |
| K | 10 | Jayce Roundtree | P | 23 Brian Desselles |

# Baseball negotiations: The true story

There they were — Dan Patrick and Keith Olbermann of ESPN opening another Sportscenter with a story of the baseball labor negotiations. Both sides had stormed out of the day's session and vowed not to return again until the other had backed down. It had been yet another useless day in an increasingly doomed baseball season.

Baseball. America's national pastime. The sport every kid grows up with. It has survived two world wars, the Black Sox scandal of 1919 and the racial barrier.

So why can't this game pull itself together?

I flipped through the channels of the television with a dissatisfied grunt. I had enough of this baseball soap opera. Players making ungodly amounts of money and striking against those that pay them. It just doesn't make sense. . .

I awoke the next day sitting at the end of a long conference table in a dimly lit room. To my right was Donald Fehr, union chief of the Baseball Players Association, and to my left was owners' negotiator Dick Ravitch.

"Nice tie, Ravitch," Fehr said with a mocking grin.

"Don't tempt me, you little leech," Ravitch shot back. "At least I know a bargain when I see one — something you seem to have a problem with."

Fehr stuck a bony finger in the older man's face. "Would you like it if I stuck that tie up your—"

"Hey!" I suddenly blurted out. "What's going on here?"

Fehr raised an eyebrow. "Sir?"

Why was he calling *me* sir?

"What's going on? What am I doing here?"

"What are you doing here?" Fehr said with an amused grin. "You're our special mediator, sir. Are you feeling okay?"

"Mediator?" I said, confusingly

"Yes," Ravitch answered. "You're supposed to help us save the baseball season — something Wonder Boy over
there can't seem to agree with."

"Shut up, you old fuzzball!" Fehr growled.

"Dragon Child!"
Ravitch shot back.

"Scumbreath!"

"Mama's Boy!"

"Cigar Face!"

"Hold it!" I screamed. "Is this what you call negotiating, gentlemen?"

Both men glanced at each other, eyes glowing red with fury. "Wonder Boy" sat down slowly as "Scumbreath" angrily poured himself a cup of coffee.

"Is this how you guys have been talking to each other the past month?" I asked. "Is this how you think baseball is going to solve its problems?"

"Mr. Weaver, I'm truly sorry," Ravitch said. "It's just that Mr. Fehr doesn't understand the gravity of this situation. We are trying to save the future of the game."

"Future?" Fehr shot back, shaking his head. "What future are you talking about? A future of owners making billions of dollars at the expense of their workers?"




"Expense?" Ravitch asked. "We're paying over a million dollars average salary to those 'workers'! That's what got us into this mess!"

"You're the only mess I see, Ravitch."

"Shut up!"

"*You* shut up!"

"I told you first!"

"I wasn't listening to you!"

"That's it!" I slammed my fist to the table. This kind of stuff never made it to the sportscasts. It was becoming very clear that neither of these men was a true baseball *fan*, and perhaps that was the root of the entire problem. "You two are the most ridiculous—!"

There was a loud knock on the door. Slowly it swung open and a short little man in a dapper busines suit walked in. . .he looked like. . .

Ross Perot?!

"Excuse me, fellas, but I think got a solution to your problem," he said. "Mind if I join ya'?"

He pulled up a chair as we sa there in stunned silence.

"Here's the deal," he began. "Ri chard, you give up that little salar cap deal, and I will personally pa what the owners can't, ya' see?

Tell your boys to name me com missioner of baseball and I write blank check, see?

Donnie boy, tell them boys o yours that I'll back up every cen they're supposed to get if they a endorse me in '96.

Whaddya say, fellas? Wann shake on it?"

The negotiators shared a look smiled, and reached out their righ hand. . .

"David! Wake up!"

My wife was shaking me as still sat in my chair — at home.

"What happened?" I asked sleep ily.

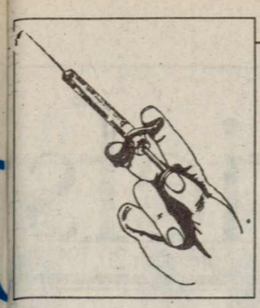
"You were talking in this littl annoying voice! It was. . .oooooh! she shuddered at the remembrance

Then it all came back to me. dream, it was only a dream.

I had almost witnessed the ex of the bitter baseball war that threat ened one of the most exciting sea sons in history.

The hands — they almost came together. And then I woke up.

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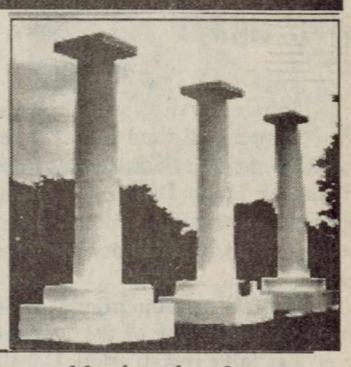
Demons whip the Colonels 37-3 in first conference game of season



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Proposed health care plan not the cure for nation's ailing system


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## World Report

### CAMPUS

**NORTHWESTERN ENROLLMENT INCREASES 2.4 PERCENT:** For the eighth time in the last 10 semesters, enrollment has increased to 8,761, up from 8,552 last year. **PAGE 2**

**THE NATCHITOCHES-NORTHWESTERN SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA TO PERFORM SUNDAY:** The orchestra will start off the 1994-95 season with featured soloists violinist Isidor Saslov and pianist Ann Saslov. **PAGE 2**

**NORTHWESTERN WILL PARTICIPATE IN ARCHAEOLOGY WEEK 1994:** Alicia Trissler will present a lecture on campus Tuesday, Sept. 7 and several faculty members will speak around the state on Archaeology. **PAGE 2**

### CITY

**CITY COUNCIL INTRODUCES NEW ORDINANCE ON VIDEO POKER DEVICES:** In Monday's City Council meeting, council members introduced an ordinance to restrict and regulate the emplacement or use of video poker devices in truck stop facilities. The restrictions in the ordinance state that video poker devices can not be placed less than 500 ft. from a public playground, church, public library, school or a residential zoned subdivision. The City Council will vote on the ordinance Monday.

### STATE

**STATE RUN-OFF ELECTIONS SET FOR OCT. 1:** University organizations getready for state elections set for Oct.1. City officials are encouraging students to become more involved in state and city politics. **PAGE 5**

### NATION

**YALE SCIENTIST CONTRACTS RARE VIRUS AFTER LAB ACCIDENT:** A Yale University scientist who was exposed to a deadly, tropical virus while working in the school's laboratory unwittingly exposed several people to the virus before discovering he was ill. The scientist, whose name is being withheld, was released from the Yale-New Haven Hospital in late August after doctors confirmed he was out of danger and no longer a threat to the general public. The scientist was experimenting with tissue contaminated by the Sabia virus when the holding container cracked. While visiting friends, the scientist had unknowingly exposed five people, including two children, to the virus. Those who came into contact with the scientist are being closely observed, and doctors say no immediate problems have been discovered.

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# Media Board chooses KNWD manager

## 5-month deadlock over radio station's General Manager position is broken

JEFF GUIN
*The Current Sauce*

Nearly five months after it first met to choose the new general station manager for KNWD, the Student Media Board chose Jeff Burkett for the position Wednesday.

The non-senate panel of faculty and student members selected Burkett by a 5-3 margin over fellow broadcast journalism major, Mark Riedl, who will now serve as Burkett's personnel manager.

According to Blair Dickens, SGA president, the board based its decision on Burkett's experience in radio and his ability to develop the station into a professional organization.

"In Jeff's favor was the fact that he's here, he's a junior and he can run again," Dickens said. Dickens believes that, should Burkett run again next year, he will be able to complete projects that he intends to begin this year.

Burkett, who was personnel director of the station last year, first applied for the position in the spring. During the April meeting, the Media Board recommended another applicant, Sean Schenyer. Schenyer was also at the Wednesday meeting, although his application was rejected because it was submitted after the deadline.

Schenyer was actually selected twice by the Media Board: first at the initial meeting on April 28 and in a subsequent one on May 5.

Soon after, the selection was overturned by the SGA Senate, who can either accept or reject the recommendation of the Student Media Board.

Those at the SGA meeting last semester opposing Schenyer's appointment included former members of KNWD's management staff and former SGA members. They cited his lack of experience in management and production skills as the reasons he should not have been appointed.

The SGA ended the semester in deadlock over the nomination. Schenyer, who was later appointed by the SGA to be interim manager for the summer term, said his late application was due simply to forgetfulness.

"I screwed up," he said.

Madelyn Boudreaux, a SGA Senator-at-Large, feels that Schenyer should have been left in the position after his first nomination, since he was found to be the best person for the job by a group of people who are supposed to recognize competent leaders for media.

"The SGA has been entirely unprofessional through this entire situation," Boudreaux said. "The SGA created the Media Board to make the correct decisions for media positions. This whole thing should not have happened."

Dickens says the SGA hopes to avoid future problems with Media Board selection, which have become more frequent in the past five years. He hopes to do this by examining the SGA constitution for ways to streamline the process. "There are some kinks to be ironed out," Dickens said. "We plan to review the constitution by-laws to find contradictions that could cause problems."

Several University officials feel revisions should be made in the management of the board. Fred Fulton, dean of students, suggested selecting the student members of the Media Board earlier in the year so that problems like those occurring this year (and last) could be resolved before the spring semester is over.

Traditionally, the newly-elected SGA president selects the new media board. However, the SGA president is elected less than a month before the end of the semester.

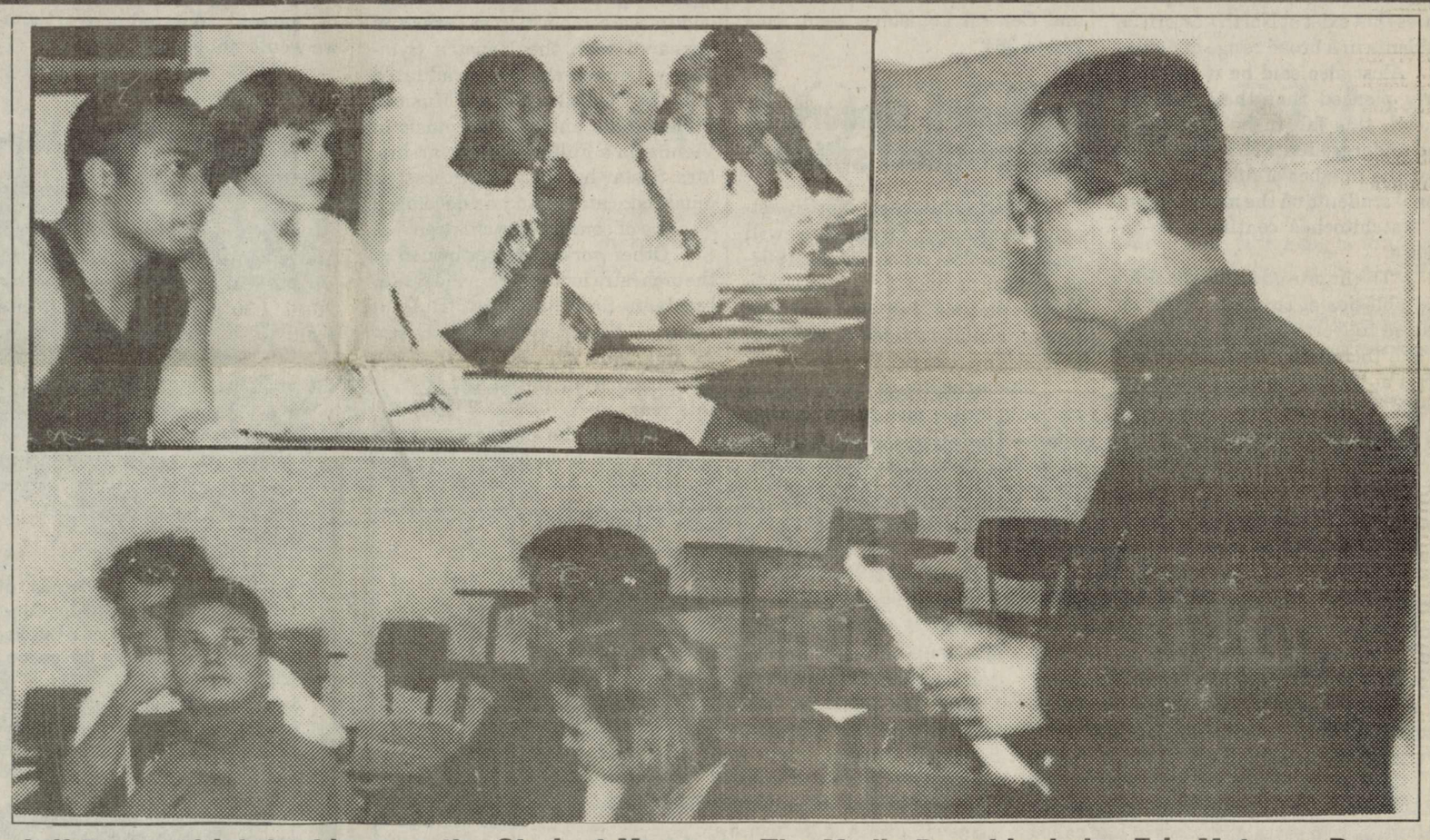
With the waiting finally over, Burkett is looking forward to managing the station.

He plans an all-inclusive format in which various types of music will be played throughout the day. This is a marked contrast to the previous format in which music types were scheduled during specific hours and days of the week.

Burkett said the students will be the focus in his KNWD and that the format change will appeal to more of them.

"I hope the students are looking forward to the things we have planned," he said. "Because [KNWD] is going to be a station they will want to tune into now."

## Making His Case



**Jeff Burkett (right) addresses the Student Media Board (inset) while former rival for the KNWD general manager's spot, Sean Schenyer, looks on. The Media Board includes Eric Metoyer, Dawn Vallery, Blair Dickens, Jerry Pierce, and Rodney Lang.**

PHOTO BY KAYLA GISKA

# Debate team looks forward

LISA HOLT
*The Current Sauce*

After the loss of three members who graduated last spring Northwestern's national debate champions have added three new faces. Now, according to Todd Graham, debate coach, the team faces a new challenge — new members and a young team.

"We're a young squad this year and we're going to have to work hard," Courtney Meyers, a sophomore debater from Scholars' College, said.

The team has two freshman, James Roland, a business administration major, and John Fruge, an English major. Four sophomores comprise the rest of team which includes Meye; Jeremy Talton, a computer information systems major; Sherry Barnett, an English major and Toll Garrison, a math major.

Graham begins his fifth year at Northwestern and recruits members from debate tournaments much like a football coach. Having begun the debate program at Northwestern, Graham knows the challenges facing a young squad.

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# NSU firearms policy:

## Gun toters will be prosecuted

SARA FARRELL
*The Current Sauce*

Northwestern remains definite about keeping its policy of allowing no handguns on campus.

Section 3.1 of Health and Safety Infractions in the 1994-1995 student handbook states that Northwestern prohibits "possession or use of firearms, ammunition, explosives, fireworks or other dangerous weapons (any instrument which may be used to inflict bodily harm), substance or materials of any kind" on University property or at University functions.

Also, state law R.S. 14:95.6 places Northwestern and all other state schools in a firearm free zone.

"That was our policy even before it became law," Ricky Williams, chief of police at Northwestern, said. "We don't want any firearms on campus. We don't see the need for any. We do have lockers for people who want to store them."

According to Williams, lockers are free for any student who wants one. Students should go by the University police department to obtain one.

Because many Northwestern students enjoy hunting, Williams said most people use the lockers to store hunting guns, although handguns are runner-up.

"In a university setting, I think we need to have a no-gun policy," Fred Fulton, dean of students, said. "We try to make the campus as safe as we can."

According to Williams, only three to four students illegally had guns on campus last year.

"It has been our policy that if we find a person in possession of a firearm, we treat each case individually," Fulton said. "We try to look at all the circumstances, but the person is subject to suspension from the University."

Unless extenuating circumstances occur, the usual punishment is suspension.

Two cases of accidental firearm discharges occurred on Northwestern last year. One student accidentally set off a firearm in a residence hall. Robert Thomas accidentally set off his gun in Kyser Hall.

University police later linked Thomas to a drive-by shooting on Hwy. 117 to Leesville which had occurred a month-and-a-half before the incident. Thomas owned the same caliber gun, so University police took the bullet and matched it to the one from the drive-by shooting.

"If he'd never shot the gun on campus, we might not have found him," Williams said.

The victim, an elderly lady, survived the shooting. Thomas received at least 25 years as punishment and is currently in prison.

Students found possessing a firearm do have the option of going through an avenue of appeals.



## Enrollement increases once again

The University's student population hit an all-time high for the eighth time in the last 10 semesters. Registrar Hugh Durham said the official registration count for the fall semester is 8,761, up from 8,552 last year.

The fall enrollment of 8,761 is an increase of 209, or 2.4 percent, over last fall's registration. Enrollment increased by 1.7 percent last year.

Northwestern's upward trend in enrollment has continued since 1986 when Dr. Robert Alost became president. Enrollment has increased by 66.1 percent from 5,272 to 8,761 during that time for an increase of 3,489.

According to Durham, an increase in enrollment on Northwestern's Fort Polk and Natchitoches campuses helped the University achieve its record enrollment this fall.

The number of students on the Fort Polk campus climbed from 848 to 975, a jump of 15 percent. Enrollment on Northwestern's main campus in Natchitoches continued to grow, moving to 5,851 from 5,709.

Full-time enrollment increased from 5,961 to 6,050. The total number of undergraduates increased from 7,711 to 7,876, and graduate enrollment was up from 841 to 855.

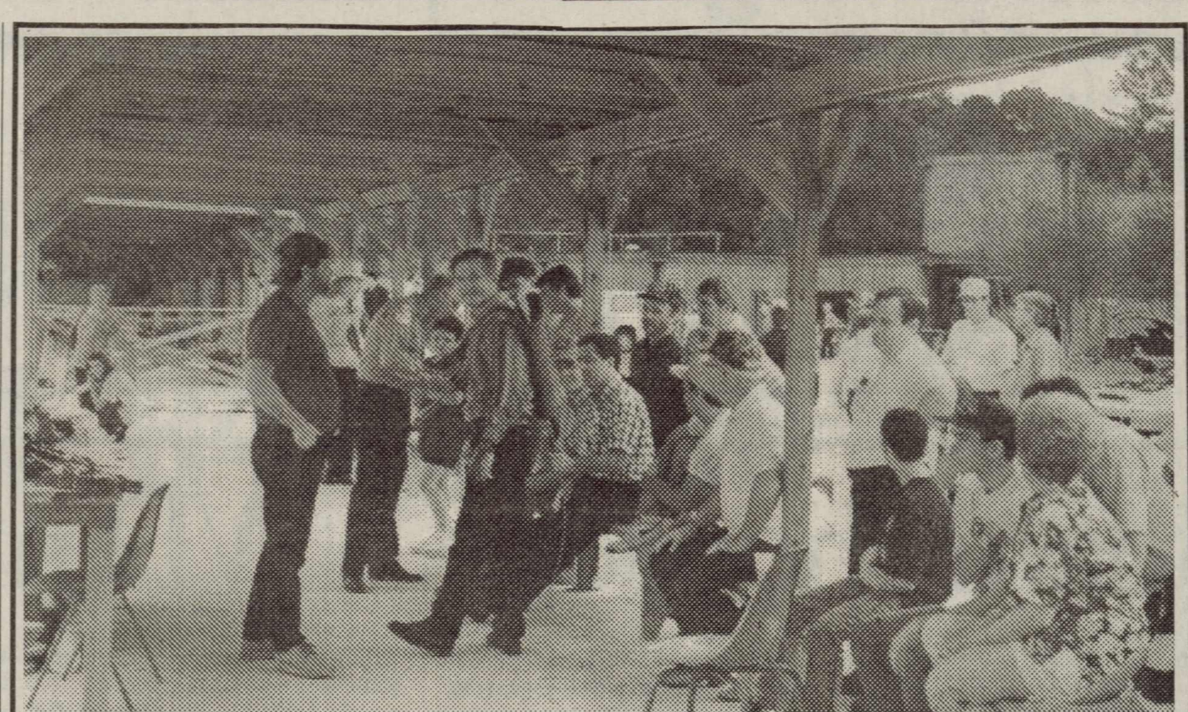
Alost called the new enrollment record "a tribute to the dedication and diligence of the University's outstanding faculty and staff and a reflection of the splendid academic programs and educational opportunities that exist at Northwestern for students in a broad range of fields."

Alost also said he is "particularly pleased that there is some growth this fall in both graduate and undergraduate enrollment and that the number of full-time traditional students on the main campus in Natchitoches continues to increase.

"The improved academic skills and abilities of students being attracted to Northwestern is evident in the increased retention of students at the sophomore, junior and senior levels," he said. "That is an especially significant factor in the University's continued enrollment growth."

The number of freshman decreased from 3,486 to 3,411. Sophomore enrollment increased from 1,566 to 1,589. Junior enrollment went from 1,146 to 1,317, and senior enrollment increased from 1,475 to 1,561.

Enrollment on Northwestern's Shreveport campus—comprised primarily of nursing students—decreased from 1,475 to 1,453. The number of students taking classes in Alexandria went from 180 to 198. Enrollment at other sites in North and Central Louisiana went from 293 to 284.



**The Natchitoches Shooting Range will celebrate National Hunting and Fishing Day on September 24 with an open house from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Several outdoors displays, including the Lane Foshee's longbow demonstration (pictured above from last year's celebration) , will be included in the event.**

## Orchestra concert to feature guest solists

The Natchitoches - Northwestern Symphony Orchestra will present its first concert of the 1994-95 season at 3:30 p.m. Sunday in Magale Recital Hall with featured solists, violinist Isidor Saslav and pianist Ann Saslav.

The orchestra is under the direction of faculty member Dr. George Adams. The Saslavs will be featured on Bach's "Fifth Brandenburg Concerto."

Isador Saslav has been concertmaster for three of America's leading orchestras: The Buffalo Philharmonic and Minnesota Orchestras and the Baltimore Symphony. He has worked with many of the great talents in music including Pablo Casals, Artur Rubenstein, Yehudi Menuhin, Leonard Bernstein, Aaron Copland, Zubin Mehta and Sir John Barbirolli.

Ann Saslav was recognized for her outstanding talent at a young age. By age 15, she had won a statewide piano competition in Texas and appeared with the Houston Symphony Orchestra. She graduated from the Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia and studied music in Vienna on a Fulbright Scholarship. Mrs. Saslav has a strong interest in music education and has developed a series of concerts for children.

Other works to be performed by the orchestra include "Kanelia Suite" by Jean Sibelius, and "Ball of Beatrice d'este," by Renaldo Hahn. Adams said the orchestra has benefitted from minimal turnover this year.

"Most of the people in the orchestra have been together for two or three years and they tend to work as a unit," Adams said. "Our musicians have a sense of who they are and that has helped us."

Adams praised the Northwestern administration and the Natchitoches community for their roles in helping the symphony make major strides in its quality. Adams said the orchestra will be able to play a wider variety of selections and add more difficult selections because of the orchestra's size and ability.

"The University and the Symphony Society are very important to us," he said. "Without both of them, we would not be where we are.

## Music faculty to perform Monday

Flutist Dennette Derby McDermott and pianist Charles Vinson will perform Monday, Sept. 26 at 7:30 p.m. in Magale Recital Hall.

McDermott is an assistant professor of flute and theory and Vinson is an assistant professor of piano at Northwestern.

Works to be performed include Samual Barber's "Canzone," "Kokopeli" by Katherine Hoover, "Poissons d'or" by Claude Debussy, "Grand Polonaise in D Major" by Theobald Boehm and Sergei Prokofieff's "Sonata op. 94." The recital is free and open to the public.

## University of Texas football player investigated

Acting on a tip from the NCAA, the University of Texas will investigate wide receiver Lovell Pinkney on charges that he made a trip to Los Angeles to visit a sports agent earlier this year.

School officials have hired a private investigator to check airline records and question Pinkney about an alleged trip to California from May 6-10. "The trip is just an allegation," John Bianco, sports information assistant director, said. "The investigating committee is looking into it."

In accordance with NCAA rules, Pinkney would most likely be declared ineligible for the remainder of his college career if it is determined that he made the May trip with the arrangement of an agent or someone representing an agent.

According to athletic director DeLoss Dodds, Pinkney denies traveling to California. If school officials find out he is withholding information, he could face additional penalties.

Pinkney and teammate Mike Adams, the nation's top receiving duo in the 1993-94 college football season, have already been suspended from the Longhorns' first game against the University of Pittsburgh because of a separate incident in which they accepted a rental car free of charge for one month.

Dr. Robert Berdahl, president of the university, took the action after receiving a report from a committee he had appointed to study the matter.

The two students were found in violation of NCAA amateur status rules because they were provided with the use of a rental car for five weeks at a value of $1,000. In addition to their one-game suspension, Pinkney and Adams must each pay $500 to the car agency.

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5:10 Alpha Kappa Delta
**5:15 Der Deutsche Klub**
5:20 Indian Students & Faculty Association
**5:25 Le Cercle Francais**
5:30 Los Amigos
**5:35 Phi Alpha Theta**
5:40 Pre-Law Society
**5:45 Psi Chi**
5:50 Psychology Club
**5:55 PRSSA**
6:00 Sigma Tau Delta
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6:10 Society of Professional Journalists
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6:20 Association of the U.S. Army
**6:25 Black Knights Drill Team**
6:30 Rifle Team
**6:35 Swamp Demons**
6:40 Sigma Theta Tau
**6:45 Kappa Kappa Psi**
6:50 Music Educators National Conference
**6:55 Phi Boota Roota**
7:00 Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia
**7:05 Sigma Alpha Iota**
7:10 Student Theater Union
**7:15 Tau Beta Sigma**
7:20 Bowling Team

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### Tuesday, October 11

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**5:15 National Association for Industrial Technology**
5:20 Society of Physics Students
**5:25 Greek Council**
5:30 Interfraternity Council
**5:35 Pan-Hellenic Council**
5:40 Panhellenic Association
**5:45 Demon Bat Girls**
5:50 Ninth Wave
**Greeks**
6:00 Alpha Kappa Alpha
**6:15 Alpha Phi Alpha**
6:30 Kappa Alpha Order
**6:45 Kappa Alpha Psi**
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**7:15 Phi Beta Sigma**
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**7:45 Sigma Kappa**
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**8:15 Tau Kappa Epsilon**
8:30 Theta Chi
**8:45 Zeta Phi Beta**

# Cen-La nursing program focuses on returning students

HEATHER URENA
*The Current Sauce*

Northwestern has been taking great strides in reaching the non-traditional student and the student who wants to continue with his or her education after a degree is received. The Central Louisiana nursing program is one example.

The extension of Northwestern to an Alexandria campus has been made possible because of the working relationship between the University and Louisiana State University-at Alexandria. Northwestern subleases the buildings from LSU-A, which leases the buildings from the England Authority.

"We have an articulation with LSU-A," Ann Deshotels, assistant professor of nursing, said.

The bachelor's program has been in Alexandria since the early 80s. The first graduate received the degree in Spring 1982. The program began on the grounds of Central Louisiana Psychiatric Hospital and then moved to the Veterans' Administration Hospital.

"Two years ago this December we moved out here," Deshotels said. "There wasn't even a classroom out there. There weren't even offices out there. We think that we have died and gone to heaven."

The Alexandria campus offers registered nurses the opportunity to move from the associate degree program, to the bachelor of science program, and now to the masters program — without leaving Alexandria.

"We used to have faculty who traveled from Shreveport," Deshotels said. "We still have faculty in the graduate program who travel here."

"We participate in all the career days at the associate degree program. We go to hospitals and recruit. We tell them 'we're here.' Pretty much, they come on their own though because of their need. Everybody says that the associate degree nurse makes 50 cents less than the baccalaureate prepared nurse. Well, why am I going back to school? Surely, it's not the money. It's mostly for themselves because they want learn more and do more and think differently." Deshotels said.

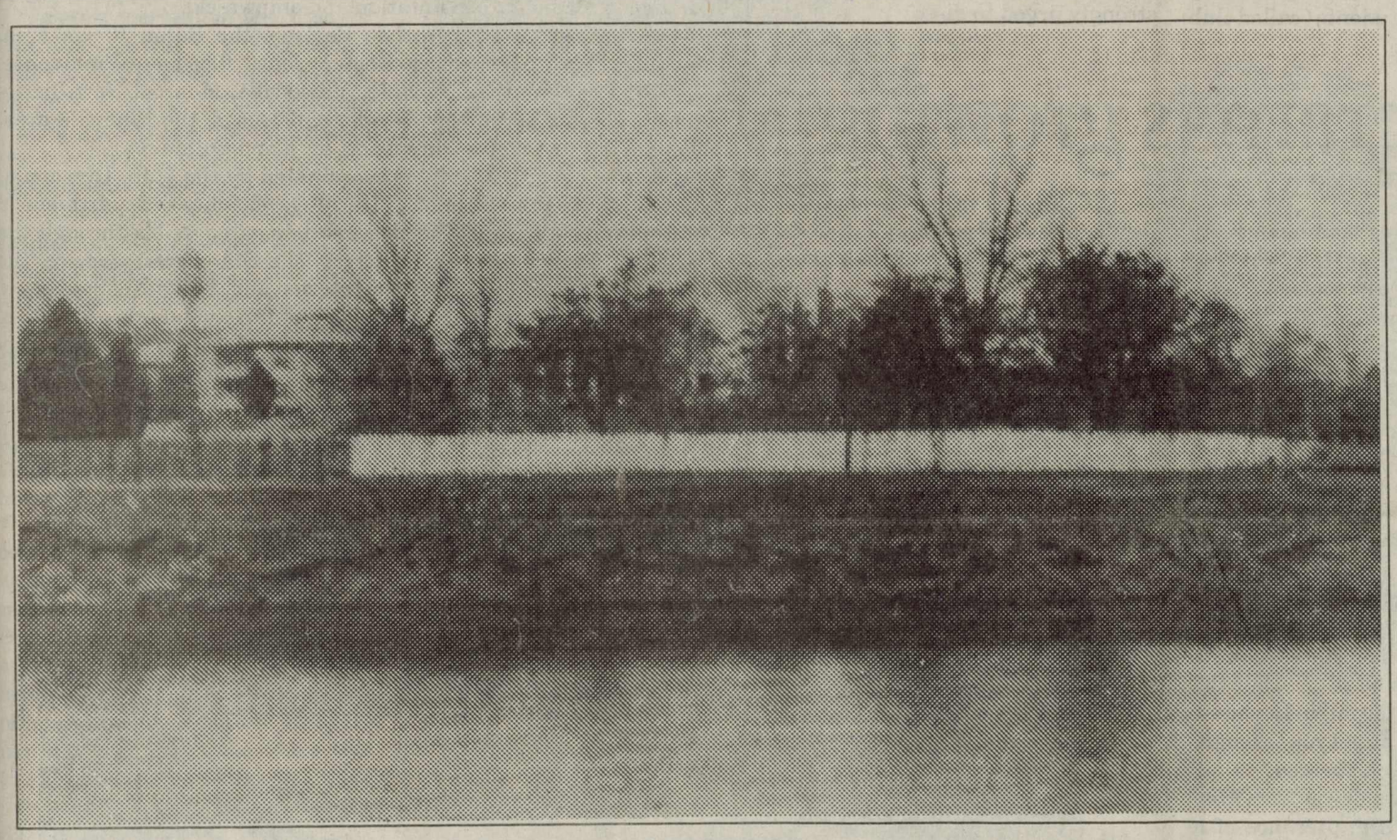
Many have similar backgrounds, in that all are working and all are hoping for greater opportunities through further education.

"I'm a diploma graduate. I went to school about 11 years ago at a charity hospital in New Orleans, and back then the need was for nurses who could actually do the hands on care once they graduated—which was wonderful," said Betsy Thibodeaux, a first semester nurse in the bachelors degree program. "The trend has changed. Today they are looking for nurses with high degrees, BSNs [bachelors of science in nursing] to start, master's degrees at least in some positions. So, you have to keep up with the changing times. There's a lot more R.N.s today then there were back then also. So the

*"The way health care is going, you need advanced education if you're going to stay in"* MARSHA WHITE, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF NURSING AT RAPIDES WOMEN'S HOSPITAL

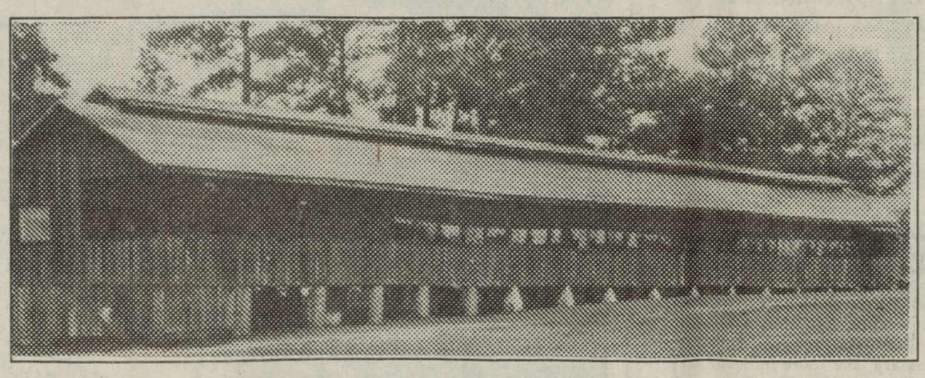
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## The Walls of Jericho



**Before Varnado was built in 1939, this building (right) served as the girls' dormitory.**

**President Roy erected this fence (above) to keep people out. Boys from town would ride by the fenced-in dorm to yell at girls.**



# Northwestern Coeds, *You've come a long way*

***Editor's Note: This is the second installment in our series on Northwestern history.***

HEATHER COOLEY
*The Current Sauce*

How would you react, NSU coed of 1994, if President Alost notified your father that you had been expelled because you had been out "joy riding" in an automobile with a young man? Such actions were common at Northwestern in the 1920's when President Victor Roy was in charge.

When students arrived in Natchitoches in 1922, they were expected to go directly to the college to be assigned rooms. From that point on, they were forbidden to spend the night away from the Normal School for any reason. They could go home only once a quarter and could shop only on Saturday mornings. They were expected to attend church on Sunday mornings. They were allowed to leave campus without the permission of the president or proctor (even for these approved reasons), and they were expected to notify the president or proctor upon their return.

Girls were not allowed to have phone calls from boys at all, and the only long distance calls they were allowed were those from their families.

In 1929, this ban was dropped. Upperclassman were allowed to shop in town whenever they wanted, but underclassman still could shop only on Saturdays.

Male students were allowed more privileges than the females.

Male and female students could not live in the same house, whether on campus or off. Female students had to obtain permission from the dean and submit the name of their date and chaperone to the dean before any date or social event. Women were forbidden to go out after sunset or to date on week nights. Girls were never allowed to ride in a car with a boy or to attend dances. Violations of these rules could result in dismissal.

President Roy felt that the coeds had plenty of opportunities to interact with male students. They could meet between classes at Caldwell Hall and at literary society meetings on Saturday evenings. They could also meet in town on Saturdays while they were shopping, but they were not allowed to walk together on the street unless they were going to and from church. They could attend Friday night movies or other entertainment with dates. Although the school grounds were enclosed by a fence with a bar across the front gate, boys from town would ride and yell in front of the girls dorm. This annoyed President Roy, who would threaten to call the police.

Boys and girls were carefully segregated on the Normal campus by policies. Males were not allowed to hang out and talk to the girls, and students who violated this policy had to spend their free periods in the president's office for three weeks. Separate entrances in the library and dining hall were intended not only to separate the students, but also the faculty. The library was open to males on Saturday morning and females in the afternoon. Since men and women were not allowed to dance with one another, females danced with one another in the afternoons, and on Friday nights they danced in the dining hall. The girls eventually grew bored with this, and in 1913 they decided to have a Thanksgiving German. According to Dr. Marietta LeBreton in her book "The Social Hall was festively decorated and some of the girls dressed as boys escorted others to the dance. 'Therefore, although the gentlemen had very effeminate voices, and an overabundance of

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# Students catch rays, earn credit

HEATHER COOLEY
*The Current Sauce*

Want to get a tan in the dead of winter? The International Student Exchange Program and the Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology, Australia (RMIT) are offering a program in the Central Pacific islands during December and January.

The program lasts from Dec. 27 to Jan. 18. Students will study the environment, history, culture, arts and crafts, and music of the Central Pacific islands, along with field studies in Nauru, the Marshal, Solomon and Gilbert islands.

The program is conducted in collaboration with the Republic of Nauru and the University of the South Pacific (USP). Students will receive six credits, which will be shown on an official RMIT transcript.

ISEP will select between 15 to 20 students and RMIT will select up to 10 participants from Australia. Each individual student will be responsible for obtaining an Australia visa.

Students will participate in two RMIT subjects — investigating environmental science and the people of the Central Pacific. Investigating environmental science will focus on a consideration of ecological systems and the impact of humanity on the balance of such systems.

The tour will include a thorough study of the phosphate mining on Nauru and its impact on the past, present and future of the Nauruan people. Current mining and land reclamation projects will be used as field study sites.

The second subject will focus on the people of the Central Pacific . Students will visit several South Pacific islands, and examine the impact of colonialism, World War II and independence in relation to their current lifestyles.

The program will consist of seminars, visits to historical sites, arts/crafts centers and cultural activities. Participants will be expected to develop skills in the identification of similarities and differences in the culture of the various communities and to locate these within an historical framework.

Interested students must have a 2.75 grade point average and be at least a junior. The cost of the program is $3000, which includes tuition, all travel during the program from Honolulu and return, accommodation and most meals, and health insurance.

This cost does not include airfare to Hawaii. A $200 deposit, including a $50 non-refundable application fee is due Oct. 15. The rest of the tuition is due Nov. 15.

"The great thing about ISEP is that it is no more than the cost of attending Northwestern plus transportation and living expenses," Tommy Whitehead, director of Northwestern's ISEP program, said. "Many financial aid programs will cover ISEP depending on each individual person."

An informational meeting on studying abroad will be at 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. today and at 5 p.m. tomorrow in Rm. 106 of Kyser Hall.

**What: International Student Exchange Program**
**Where: Melbourne, Austrailia**
**When: December 27**

# NSU to honor its families

DAWN VALLERY
*The Current Sauce*

The moms and dads of Northwestern students will have the chance to become better acquainted with the University as it hosts it's annual Family Day program Sept .24.

Family Day also allows Northwestern to show appreciation to parents for entrusting their sons and daughters to this university.

Activities are scheduled to begin at 1 p.m. with registration for parents and family members in the lobby of the Fine Arts Auditorium.

According to Carl Henry, director of students activities and organizations, registration will continue through 3:30 p.m.

"It is very important that parents register for the day's activities," Henry said. "The students cannot register for their parents, their parents must do that themselves."

Tickets for dinner at Iberville Cafeteria and the football game will be given to parents and family at the time of registration.

A general assembly will begin in the Fine Arts Auditorium at 2 p.m. Dr. Robert Alost, president of Northwestern, will welcome the parents and family members of the students.

Several Northwestern students will also be speaking, including Rebecca Bacle, Miss Northwestern Lady of the Bracelet, Jacinda Averitt, SGA vice-president, Blair Dickens, SGA president and Dwayne Jones, SAB president.

This year the Student Activities Board, which coordinates the program, has added something different to the program.

Becky Blaney, a magician-comedienne, will perform. She has appeared on HBO and performed at several comedy clubs including Caesars Tahoe.

Blaney will perform stand-up comedy, amaze the crowd with magic and even twirl a baton in her performance. Henry thought it would be a nice addition to the program and feels parents will enjoy it.

In addition, there will be several door prizes given away. Local merchants, as well as the University, have donated the prizes.

Parents will also be treated to dinner at Iberville Cafeteria. "Iberville has always done a great job serving the meal," Henry said.

After dinner, parents will be admitted with their free tickets to see the Demons take the field against East Texas State.

"Family Day is one of Northwestern's traditions," Henry said.

According to Henry, attendance has been good over years and each year has been quite a success. "It keeps the parents coming back," Henry said.

# Cen-La nursing students get their doctorates

Heather Urena
*The Current Sauce*

The general consensus of participants in the bachelor's program is that a bachelor's degree, by itself, won't guarantee more opportunities for advancement.

The Central Louisiana nursing program offers a master's degree program that can be completed in approximately two years, by taking six hours per semester.

"It's the type of profession where you've got different levels of degrees, so it naturally lends itself to continuing your education. It's kind of like a natural progression," Julie Stephenson, a student in the bachelor's degree program, said. "From the day I graduated [with a diploma degree], I knew I would continue on eventually."

"There are waiting lists for nurses and there are waiting lists to get into the nursing classes, Deshotels said. "Nurses do so many things.

They are not just in the hospitals or in the nursing homes. They are teachers, obviously; they are school nurses; there are plenty of management positions; and there are occupational health nurses."

"The BSN is a stepping stone to a master's, which is more opportunity." Lou Parker, who has an associate degree, said. "And that's a lot of nurses' motivation."

The Central Louisiana nursing program is able to offer the master's program because of the presence of a full-time nursing educator who has a doctorate. Phyllis Chelette is able to provide students with advisement during regular hours.

" My job is to be available to students and to advise students," Chelette said. "And I think that's what I do well and that's my purpose in coming here.

"There was not a person in the Central Louisiana area who could work here and be here.

"The purpose that it serves here is to give people a chance to be in school here without the total disruption in a family's life — because they can take course here and complete a lot of their work before ever having a major commitment to travel to Shreveport.

"We have more than 70 students enrolled just on the Cen-La Campus. And before I came we had maybe 20 or so students. Most of those students had to got to Shreveport or faculty from Shreveport came one day a week to teach classes. And so there was not time for advising, time to answer questions, time for students to come in after work and set up convenient times.

"And now, students are able to take more courses here. Just about all of the core courses in the master's program are offered on this campus now. That wasn't always true before 1992.

Students are having to travel to Shreveport less than what they would have had to travel before. It's really made a difference."

One student in the master's degree program has accelerated her plan for graduation in order to take advantage of the doors which this education has opened for her.

Marsha White, assistant director of nursing at Rapides Women's Hospital, said she would not have her position were it not for this program. Because her employer knew of her educational plans, she was given the opportunity to move into her present position.

"The way health care is going, you need advanced education if you're going to stay in because they are looking for someone that knows .... to look at the whole picture and not do just skills," White said. "It [education] makes me feel secure. It [master's program] floods you with opportunities."

White received her associate degree from LSU-A in 1976, At England Air Park she received a bachelor's degree in 1993 and will receive her master's degree in May 1995.

This program has given White and others like her the opportunity to continue with their education after beginning their careers.

The education received after an initial degree is earned provides nurses with information that can be applied on a daily basis.

According to Chelette, the master's of science in nursing has a clinical focus, but it teaches nurses how to perform a functional role.

# NSU COEDS: Northwestern used to segregate the sexes

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hair, they could 'guide' and were very gallant. So the feminine hearts were 'glad'!'" A gay old time was had by all. The boys held similar dances. The first coed dance was held in 1929 and was a tremendous success.

Movies were shown on Friday nights in Caldwell Hall. This event was supervised by the college administration, who made sure there was no hand holding. They flipped the lights on and off occasionally to "ensure proper student conduct."

Men and women would meet at Social Hall and walk together to Caldwell Hall. After the show, they could walk back to Social Hall and sit and talk in one of the booths. But, at an early hour you could be sure that the girls were back in their dorms.

Smoking and drinking were prohibited on campus, and anyone caught violating this rule was expelled.

Until 1932 the rules governing the on-campus students ( called club members) remained unchanged from the time period when Victor Roy was school president. In 1932, the rules were relaxed somewhat. Freshmen and sophomores were then allowed more than the one shopping trip per week in town. Residents were no longer required to attend church services on Sunday, but they were strongly urged to do so.

# C ENLA NURSING: Program is growing

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need and the demand is not as high. So you have to be better educated to compete."

Judy Copeland received her associate degree from LSU-A over seven years ago and has taken a few courses over the years, but she was unsure of why she returned to school. "I'm not really sure to be honest with you .... because the pay won't be that much different. I think just for the education — for the learning itself."

"To have job security nowadays in nursing, you do have to have those advanced degrees. And before you had job security because you were a nurse," Copeland said. "If you stop learning in nursing, you're sunk.

"You've got to keep up because the technology, the treatment, methods — all that changes so fast. If you stop nursing for a year, you've almost got to learn a whole year to get back in — to do your best."

According to Julie Stephenson, a diploma graduate, the different kinds of degrees have different emphases. The diploma degree involves more clinical nursing experience. Upon graduation, a nurse with a diploma degree can go to work without taking state board exams. A nurse who has received an associate degree can work as an extern until passing state board exams.

Other areas for advancement require certification in specific fields of interest. "Most of those certifications, in the future if not already, will require a minimum of a BSN just to sit for the exam," Thibodeaux said.

The students agreed that most couldn't continue with their education if the program was not in existence. This program distinguishes itself by the lengths in which the administration and the faculty go to work with students.

Copeland said her employer and supervisors were fairly cooperative when making scheduling arrangements around her classes. "It's not very difficult [to balance school and a full-time job]. It's hard to get back and study."

"The classes are primarily scheduled to meet the working nurse's needs," Deshotels said. "Also, we take into consideration the fact that they have all those different hours."

"This place is extremely flexible," Carol Thibodeaux, who travels from Lake Charles, said. "It's very difficult to find a school that will set up the courses, so that you could only go one day a week. Most places don't seem to realize people work for a living.

"I searched several schools. I even searched other states looking for a school to come to .... but the attitude here is let me help you — just any way we can get you through. We want to see you succeed."

Rosie Sullivan drives from Mississippi, despite the presence of a four-year college located on mile from her house. "Because of the program and because of the staff .... it was easier to get in here for them to work with you. They are much more willing to help you.

"It's like you've known them [the faculty and staff] and they're here to help you. You're part of their family."

"We even have their home phone numbers," Valarie Waldmeier, who also travels from Lake Charles, said.

"And that difference in attitude, that's enough for me to drive five hours in one day just to come here and back to school," Thibodeaux said. "The attitude, to me, makes you or breaks you."

# Archaeology Week features graduate lecture on Dorman

Bridgette Morvant
*The Current Sauce*

Students and Natchitoches residents will have the opportunity to learn more about archaeology this week as Northwestern takes part in Louisiana Archaeology Week 1994 — Sept. 25 through Oct. 1.

Alicia Trissler will lecture on the subject of Caroline Dormon's contribution to Louisiana archaeology at 6 p.m. Sept. 27 in Williamson Museum on the second floor of Kyser Hall. This May Trissler received her masters degree in history, with an emphasis in cultural resource management, from Northwestern. The program is free and open to the public.

In the 1930s, Dormon, a Louisiana amateur archaeologist and nationally-known botanist, brought the plight of the state's archaeological sites to attention through correspondence with scientists at the Smithsonian Institution. Through her efforts Dormon brought about the excavation of many Louisiana sites which had been threatened with destruction.

Other Northwestern faculty members are also lecturing in various parts of the state in recognition of Archaeology Week.

Tommy Hailey, the new director of the conservation lab at Northwestern, will lecture about "Shipwreck Archaeology" at 7 p.m. Sept. 27 at the St. Tammany Parish Library in Covington, 310 W. 21st Ave.

Dr. Hiram Gregory will discuss and identify "Sites and Artifacts of the Catahoula Basin" at 6:30 p.m. Sept. 29 at the Rapides Parish Library in Alexandria, 411 Washington St.

Jeffrey S. Girard, the archeologist assigned to the Northwestern archaeology lab, will lecture about the "Archaeology of Toledo Bend Reservoir" at 8:30 a.m., 10 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Sept. 30 at the Sabine Parish Library in Many, 750 Main St.

"Archaeology Week is a concentrated effort in one week to both create awareness and to communicate with the general public about what archaeologists are doing," Girard said.

Academics and professionals in the field present programs in archaeology at locations all over the state. The presentations include exhibits, museum tours, demonstrations of prehistoric Indian tools, artifact identification and excavations in progress. Topics include Indian mounds, historic plantation and shipwrecks.

Other program sites include Bastrop, the Baton Rouge area, Columbia, Epps, Greensburg, Homer, Jonesville, Lake Providence, Leesville, Lockport, Madisonville, Marksville, Monroe, New Iberia, the New Orleans area, New Roads, Opelousas, the Pineville area, Plaquemine, Ruston, the Shreveport area and Sulphur.

Archaeology Week 1994 is coordinated by the state Division of Archaeology, in the Office of Cultural Development, Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism and is made possible through the funding of Kisatchie National Forest, U.S.D.A. Forest Service, the National Park Service, Dept. of the Interior, and the state of Louisiana.

For more information, call Gregory at 357-4364. For a program of state-wide Archaeology Week events, call the Division of Archaeology at (504) 342-8170 or write Division of Archaeology, P.O. Box 44247, Baton Rouge, LA 70804.


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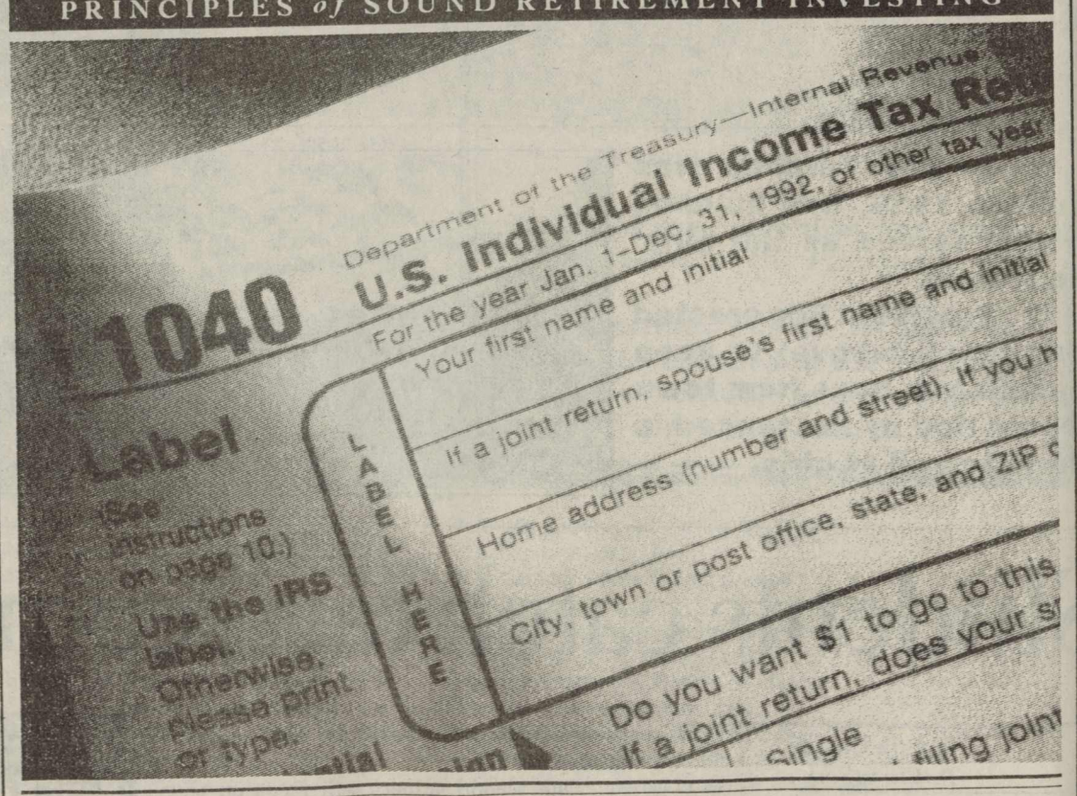
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# Aging bridge faces increased traffic


JANE BALDWIN
*The Current Sauce*


For two years local officials have deliberated on a alternative plan for the replacement of the Keyser Avenue Bridge. Meanwhile, the 50-year-old bridge remains 40 percent structurally unsound and is continuing to deteriorate, according to Ben Mayaeux, city director of community affairs

The Keyser Bridge became property of the State Department of Transportation and Development [DOTD] in 1992. The State DOTD proposed five alternative bridges to replace the Keyser Bridge, but the proposed Alternative C plan has caused the most opposition.

Alternative C calls for replacing the existing bridge with a five lane structure. The bridge would be constructed in two different phases within 24 to 27 months, but all traffic would be maintained during the construction period.

Historic preservationists who oppose the construction of a five lane bridge argue the bridge would take away Natchitoches' old-town uniqueness. However, city officials and businessmen want a five lane bridge to help increase commercial development in Natchitoches.

Eighty percent of the funding for the bridge will come from federal funds and 20 percent from the state. Michelle Deshotels, state environmental supervisor, has conducted several public meetings to receive input from the people.

"We value public involvement," Deshotels said. "We believe all our transportation projects should be viewed by the public. If we get more points of view, it will make our decision easier or we would have to make our decisions in a vacuum."

The last meeting was held in April and still no decision was made. Deshotels said the bridge is in no immediate danger.

However, a study issued by her own department states the bridge is weakening every day because of excessive traffic. The current Average Daily Traffic (ADT) report recorded at least 7,500 vehicles a day use the bridge, but with increased enrollment at Northwestern and the opening of the Super Wal-Mart this month, the current ADT is estimated to rise up to 12,800 vehicles using the bridge everyday by the year 2010.

In April, Mayeaux wrote a recommendation to the DOTD to hasten the decision-making process, but the DOTD did not meet with Natchitoches legislators and city officials until Aug. 16 in Baton Rouge.

At the meeting, another alternative plan was introduced. The DOTD proposed a three-lane bridge with room for pedestrians to walk across safely. The bridge would also provide two lanes of traffic while being constructed so traffic would not be halted.

"Nothing has been decided," Mayeaux said. "I'd like to see it done."

Meanwhile, Historic Preservationists, such as Larry Richards, continue to fight the proposed five lane bridge claiming it will turn Natchitoches into "just another traffic corridor, a zone of endless parking lots, a city like a thousand others."

Preservationists want to keep Natchitoches a historical site due to its rich historical heritage. Natchitoches was founded in 1714 by Louis Juchereau de St. Denis to become the first permanent European settlement in the Louisiana Purchase.

The five-lane bridge and four-lane highway would be built by the historic buildings and sites along with the original fort.

Richards said if a five-lane bridge is constructed, the widening of Jefferson Street "would seriously degrade the settings of three historical houses: the Steamboat House, the Nelken House and the Draguet House."

"If this proposal is carried out, it could result in the de-designation of this National Historic Landmark," Cecil McKithan, head of the national register programs' division in the U.S. Department of the Interior, said. "The proposed widening and demolition will diminish the integrity of the resource to a point that de-designation proceedings could be implemented."

Businesses located near the bridge will also be affected. Two businesses will be forced to evacuate for the five-lane bridge, one of which is Holmes' Car Dealership located on the corner of Keyser and Williams avenues.

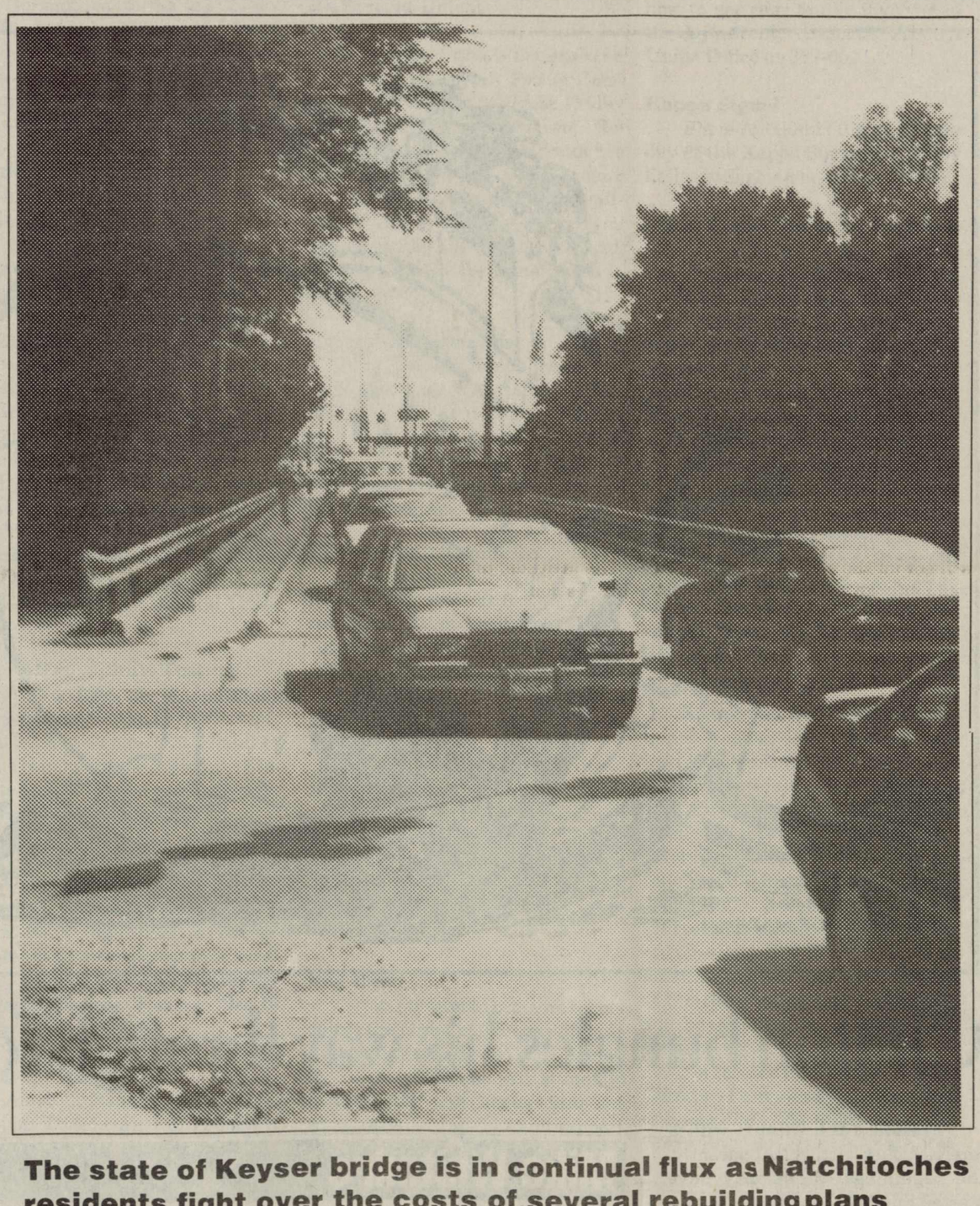
Holmes' manager Tommy Stewart said the DOTD have not "explained themselves well. Nobody has said anything for sure." Despite the possible move of his business, Stewart supports the proposal for a five lane bridge.

"We want them to improve the traffic problems," he said. "We want it fixed. They've [DOTD] had funding for a long time.

"It's hurting emergency vehicles, because they can't get across the bridge and it's hurting us, so it's crucial to do something soon. We want it fixed."

Deshotels said DOTD will continue to hold public meetings and meet with city officials. Many citizens fear the federal funding will be revoked if a decision is not made soon, but according to Deshotels there is no deadline.

## Bridge Over Troubled Water



**The state of Keyser bridge is in continual flux as Natchitoches residents fight over the costs of several rebuilding plans**

# Congressional picks the focus of city elections


MIKE WHITMIRE
*The Current Sauce*


Campus organizations prepare for the state run-off elections Oct. 1 as students and Natchitoches Parish citizens will vote for U.S. Congressmen, local candidates and four amendments to the Louisiana Constitution.

Both Francis Conine, the College Democrats adviser, and Alex Aichinger, the College Republicans adviser, expect the groups will be stronger this year with the runoffs in October and the general elections in November.



**Aichinger**

"None of the students start to get active unless there is a campaign going on," Conine said.

Conine thinks there are many ways Northwestern students can be active and have an impact on the political process.

"The students need to get groups to sponsor candidates to come on campus," Conine said. "Not just the democrats and republicans, but other organizations like fraternities and sororities. They can also get together and support voter registration."

The Republican group holds meetings on at 4 p.m. Wednesdays in Rm. 315 of the Student Union, and the Democrats will have its first meeting at 3 p.m. Thursday.

"I think the best way to for students to get involved is to get involved with their own campus politics," Conine said. "They need to take part in their own student government and in any other organization, but especially in their own party's politics. These organizations are not only helping their party but they are developing our future leaders."



**Conine**

Aichinger thinks its critical for the students to begin getting involved in the political process.

"With the amount of discretionary money Washington has and with the increasing aging of the population, if the younger people want to get something they don't traditionally have, they've got to get active," Aichinger said. "The politicians are going to listen to the people that vote, and to the extent the younger kids are uniformed or don't vote you'll have politicians that say who cares about these college kids. They're not going to vote."

A lawsuit forced Louisiana to change the congressional districts, and as a result Natchitoches has been split into two congressional districts.

In the fourth district Democrat Congressman Cleo Fields is seeking his second term in office and is being challenged by Republican Patricia Slocumb.

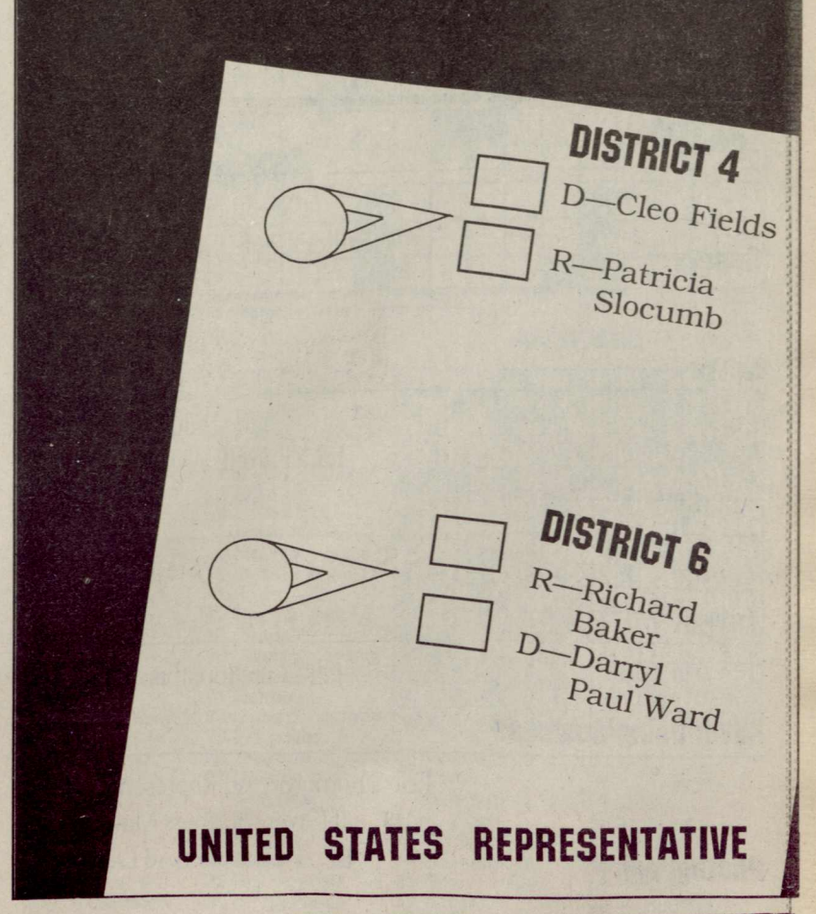
Fields, a 31-year-old from Baton Rouge, says education and job training programs are his top priorities. He would like to set national standards for schools, and would also like to see a national pay scale for teachers. He currently serves on the House Committees on Banking and Small Business.

Slocumb is running on a platform of no tax increases, term limitations, less government spending and no gun control.

Republican Richard Baker now represents the sixth district, and is a member of the House Committee on Banking. He spearheaded a program which began just a week ago in Baton Rouge and gives seventh- and eigth-graders from around the state a chance to simulate space shuttle missions using NASA software and technology.

Baker's opponent in the race is Democrat Darryl Paul Ward. Ward has an elaborate plan to limit gambling and create jobs in Louisiana. He wants to give each parish one truck stop which would handle all of the gambling and then turn the profits over to the parish leaders at the end of each year.

Ward estimates each truck stop would generate $2 to 3 million a year for factory construction in each of the 39 parishes. He said he would let the leaders of each parish decide what type of factory to build.




# The 'Natchitoches Mall' opens



**Leah Manning and Karen Brumfield stock up on pizza during the grand opening sale**

## Supercenter is second largest in the world

The Natchitoches Wal-Mart Supercenter opened last Wednesday to the sound of thousands of excited customers.

The excitement stemmed from the new, improved "Natchitoches Mall", as it is called by the students of Northwestern.

Specifications in a guide published by the retailing chain reveal the new Natchitoches store the second largest in the world.

In fact, the 202,307 square foot store is 3,000 feet larger than Louisiana's most recent Supercenter addition in Ruston.

The store will be open 24 hours and features a "mall" atmosphere with its extensive offering of merchandise and services.

The most prominent addition to the new store is the grocery section which has frozen and non-perishable food items. Other food-oriented departments include a delicatessen and bakery.

An automotive center is also in the store. It will specialize in tire changes and express lube service.

Adding to the "one stop shopping" atmosphere are several special division departments. Special divisions contract space in the store to set up a branch of their businesses. McDonald's fast food restaurant is one such business.

Other additions include a dry cleaning service, video rental, vision center,

Another is Premier bank, which recently merged with local Heritage bank . A vision center is also being set up. The bank is expected to open next month.

The Supercenter replaces an existing store which was built on La. Highway 1 South in 1977. Store officials began the process of clearing merchandise from the old store about two months ago.

Wal-Mart is already a major contributor of tax revenue to the City of Natchitoches. Parish officials expect the local store's upgrade to Supercenter to increase that amount substantially.

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**EDITORIAL**

# Everything in Moderation

## *Proposed cure not the answer*

With the health care debate apparently dead until the new congress convenes January in Washington, maybe it will give people some time to think about the reform without having to listen to all the lies, half-truths and misrepresentations that have been thrown out by both Republicans and Democrats on the issue.

There are some common-sense things that can be fixed in the health care system without handing over one-seventh of our nation's economy to the government. A couple of things can be done to take care of the cost-containment issue.

First, we can make the system more like the rest of private enterprise by inducing competition between health care providers. Medical savings accounts help advance this principle by giving the money to the consumer and letting the consumer shop around for a visit to the doctor's office.

This would help keep costs down only if there is an incentive for the consumer to try and save money. Set up some type of system that allows the consumer to keep a portion or all of what hasn't been spent in the medical savings account at the end of each year, or provide some kind of tax break for not spending the money. The consumer will look for the best quality care at the best price, forcing doctors to compete for business.

*"There are some common-sense things that can be fixed in the health care system without handing over one-seventh of our nation's economy to the government"*

Medical malpractice reform is a must to controlling cost. The government needs to find some way for the malpractice insurance companies to be able to charge less to insure doctors. A limit on the amount of punitive damages that can be awarded in a lawsuit seems to be the most logical start in this direction. The less doctors pay for insurance, the cheaper the costs. Malpractice reform will also prevent duplicative and unnecessary testing for protection against frivolous lawsuits. Nobody needs $2.9 million for being burned by a hot cup of coffee.

One issue that must be addressed is illegal immigrations. Illegal immigrants are provided with care under our government's Medicaid program. These immigrants get care that some Americans aren't provided with, that is, a visit to a doctor's office. Uninsured Americans can always get emergency care, but to give an illegal visitor to this country care at no cost is unthinkable. If an illegal alien is in need of emergency care, providing treatment is the only humane thing to do, but if it's not a medical emergency the patient needs to be turned away. The patient adds just that much more cost at American taxpayers' expense.

In any case, let's use this time off from the bitter political debate to think about some positive things that can get done, but nothing too extreme.

This country offers the best health care in the world, just ask the many who come from abroad to receive care. We don't see Americans flocking to Canada, England, Germany or anywhere else to get their care.

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# Iberville offers better food for less money



**Brad Thibodaux**

The Daux Chronicles

When I first came to Northwestern and started dining at Iberville, I thought the food was awful. I could not wait to eat at the Union.

If any of you are having these thoughts . . . . forget it!

The Union may seem like a good place to eat, but it is not. The food is way over priced for the amount you receive.

One Friday I decided to order the catfish and fries. I knew it would cost me about five dollars. I received three small pieces of fish and seven french fries. After paying full price for the meal, I complained to the manager and he promptly took my plate back to the serving line.

After a short time he returned with a plate full of fries and the excuse that the person who was serving had only been working there for one week.

Well, if I were a new worker, I would do what I was told. So, was the worker following orders? I will leave the answer up to you.

Another thing I noticed was that the small bag of chips that can be bought in the snack machines for 40 cents cost 70 cents at the Union.

Why? Are these special chips? Are the chips found in the Union made from a higher grade of spud?

Downstairs in Le Rendezvous is a cooler were you must purchase Coca-Cola and other soft drinks by the six pack. This may sound like a good deal, but it is not.

"But why?" you may ask.

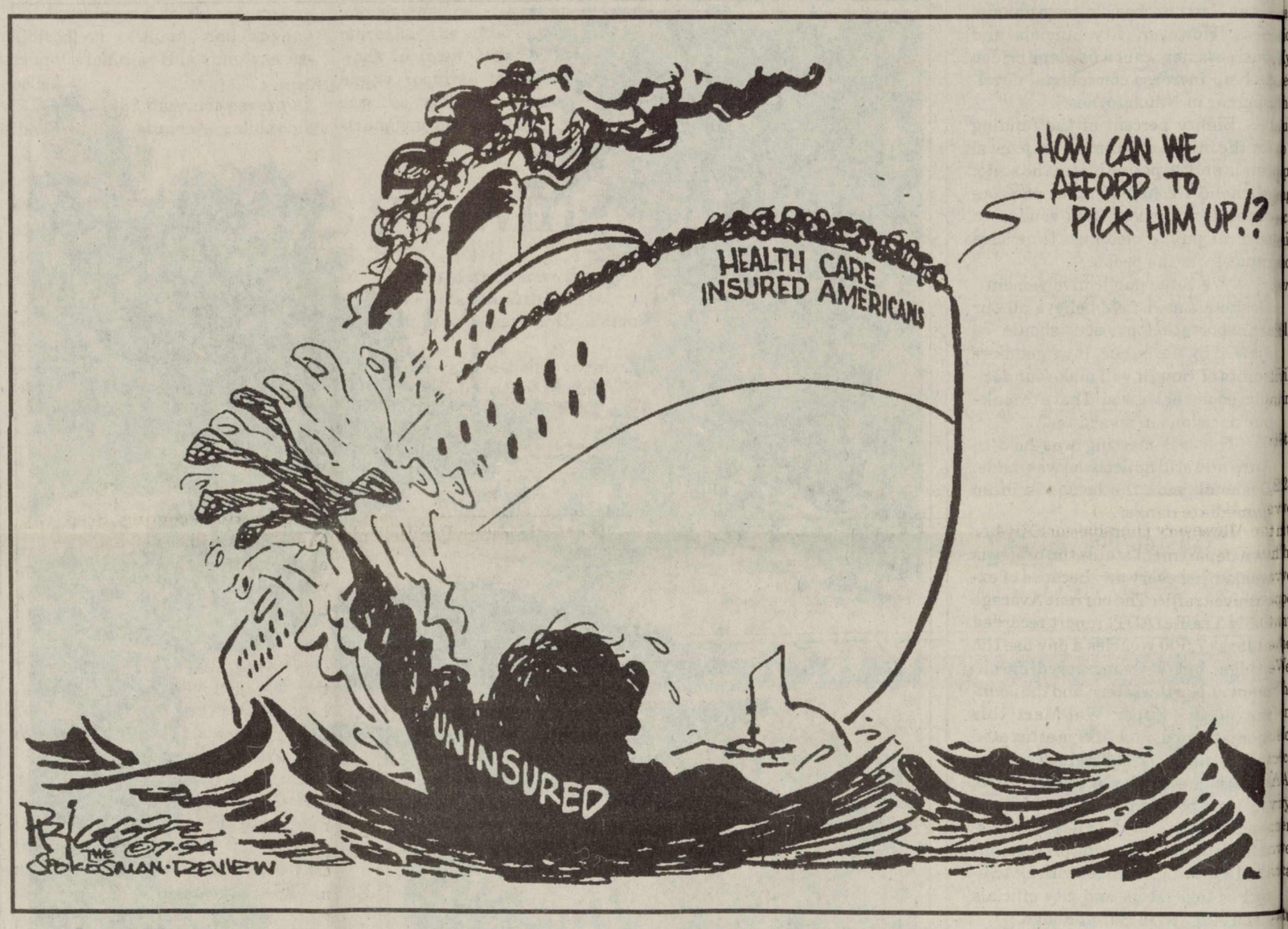
I'll tell you why, because for the price of one six pack of Coca-Cola at Le Rendezvous, you can buy two twelve-packs at K&B Drugs.

Now let's see, that is five dollars for six Cokes or five dollars for 24 Cokes. Which one sounds like a better deal to you?

Even a cup of water at the Union will cost you 19 cents. You are, in truth, probably buying the cup, but the fact remains that just down the hall at the water fountain, the water is free.

The only thing enjoyable about eating at the Union is the hugs, smiles and kisses from Mrs. Margie Huddleston.

This is just a few of the many reasons the Union has fallen short of students expectations this fall. I hope things change for the better, or Iberville may the "The Place" to eat in the near future.




# Clinton bungles his way through foreign policy

**Mike Whitmire**

Always Right

President Bill Clinton with a foreign policy victory? Apparently, the beginnings of one may have started Sunday.

Congratulations Mr. President, your threat of force and ace-in-the-hole Jimmy Carter avoided what would have been the biggest foreign policy blunder you've made since your arrival at the White House.

The threat to use force was termed a credibility issue by President Clinton and White House staff, and although the rest of the world may have been in awe when American planes took flight for Haiti, restoring credibility with America might be a better place to start.

Since as far back as the 1960s this president has been dead-wrong about the use of military power, and has obviously no notion of what the term "sovereign state" means.

Remember Vietnam, Mr. President? Do you, Mr. President remember what it was like here in America at that time. Probably not, since you didn't stick around to support American troops that were sent into harm's way overseas. The draft notice came, and off to Oxford you went ignoring your calling from America to serve the country in the fight against communism.

President Clinton didn't have enough courage to protest the war in his own country, but instead went to foreign soil to vent his displeasure with the country he now leads. The president also spent a little time in the former Soviet Union.

When the Gulf War came around, you sat on your high horse in Arkansas and opposed the introduction of troops.

And by the way, what did it mean when the President said during the campaign that he "agreed with the minority, but would have voted with the majority" when asked if he would have voted to send troops for the Gulf War. This statement clearly shows our President takes a strong, firm stand and acts on his beliefs.

Seems that restoring democracy to a country which has absolutely no impact on the direct national security of the United States is a much more important reason to use force than to prevent a takeover of a large portion of the world's oil supply. The Gulf War not only restored a government after a hostile takeover, but it served to make sure the world economy wasn't at risk and kept a madman from getting nuclear warheads.

Troops that were sent to Somalia by President Bush in a humanitarian mission had a date set for them to leave. It was about two months after President Clinton took office, but that didn't stop the new President from changing the mission. The Clinton Administration bowed to the United Nations and ordered United States forces to begin a manhunt for a local warlord. This is directly involved with the sovereignty issue, one that President Clinton has a hard time understanding.

Months went by without the warlord's capture, and sure enough an ugly incident shown on television finally forced the president's hand to begin the withdrawal of troops. 18 Americans were killed and one was taken hostage. United States forces under United Nations command? First class leadership from the commander in chief makes it all possible.

President Clinton also felt it necessary to flex his military muscle in Bosnia.

All those vital national security interests just come flowing from the mind when Bosnia is mentioned. Europe was so worried it did nothing, and refused to support United States military action. Since Bosnia is in Europe's backyard, why was America so worried about the problem that it was necessary to risk American lives?

After nearly a year of threats, President Clinton finally talked NATO into backing air raids against the Serbs, and off we went. The Serbs stopped the shelling of Serijevo and moved elsewhere. In the past week the shelling has begun in Serijevo again. Mr. President, didn't you listen when all the military experts were telling the country that wars are not won with air strikes alone? Ground troops eventually must come in and take command.

The President won't go so far as committing ground troops until there is a peace agreement. He said he didn't want to enter the war on one side or another. I have news for Mr. Clinton. When you bomb one side of fighting factions, you've entered the war. President Clinton apparently hasn't come to grips with the fact that if you're going to enter a war and risk American lives, the cause should be worthy enough to be willing to do whatever it takes to win. Half-hearted commitments are not fair to the people who must carry out these commitments, and doesn't show a willingness on the part of the United States to finish a job.

In Haiti, Mr. President you came out smelling like a rose. It was just getting there that was brutal.

Once again President Clinton showed his great knowledge of the meaning of "sovereign state" by going to the U.N. Security Council for approval of the use of force. President Clinton didn't go to the American people or the United States Congress, but instead asked permission from the U.N. When the United States Congress asked him to come to it for approval, President Clinton flatly refused.

After watching President Clinton attempt to execute foreign policy for the past 18 months, and after what we've heard from this president about his admiration of the German government and his trip back in the 1960s to the Soviet Union, the health care plan that was introduced by the administration this year shouldn't have surprised anybody.

# Salmonella safety: steps to take in your kitchen



**Barbara McHenry**

**Nutrition**

Have you ever stopped to realize how easily your home can become infiltrated by the enemy?

Avoidable populations of germs are defeating individuals, sometimes whole families at a time, and most of these families don't even realize why they are getting sick. They will say that they have a "24-hour bug" or they just have a "stomach flu."

I was impressed by an article in the July/August issue of *Health* magazine, "How to Win at Germ Warfare," which informed its readers that "a 'bug' is invariably mild food poisoning, usually from some common bacterium like salmonella or staph."

Mary Roach, a contributing editor of *Health*, interviewed Dr. Gerba, a microbiologist whose studies show salmonella can get passed around the kitchen.

According to Gerba, the problem isn't so much that the chicken being cooked may have up to 300 salmonella, because that can be destroyed if cooked well. Besides, that amount does not usually harm a healthy individual.

The danger comes in the use of a knife to cut up the chicken and then using the same knife to cut up potatoes. Even if you wash the knife off you commence to wash off the table with the dish rag.

"Salmonella in a warm, moist environment double their ranks every 20 or so minutes," Gerba said.

Furthermore, chicken is not the only possible carrier of salmonella. "More Americans get salmonella poisoning every year from beef than chicken."

Gerba also brought up the outbreak of E. coli 0157:H7 that killed around 200 people over the past 10 years. This is enough to remind us that having red meat cooked rare is not really such a good idea after all.

Besides cleaning up carefully after preparing meats for cooking, the public should be aware of the need to store the cooked food properly.

Gerba recommends that we keep our food out of what food microbiologists call the "Danger Zone: the 40 degree to 140 degree span in which bacteria thrive." Following are a few tips for safety of food:

1. Don't leave foods sitting out. Eat them, refrigerate them, or freeze them.

2. If extra has been cooked it should be frozen as soon as possible (while still hot.)

3. Thaw meat in the refrigerator, not on the counter top.

4. Use a wooden cutting board (much safer than the plastic board.)

It is worth underlining the importance of safe preparing of foods for individuals with immunodeficiency diseases.

"The human immune system begins a gradual decline at around age 50." Gerba goes on to report "Nine thousand Americans die of food poisoning each year."

# CampusConnection

**Campus Connection Guidelines**

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**Black Student Association**

The Black Student Association will host a carwash at Bonanza beginning at 9:00, Sept. 24.

**Student Activity Board**

Homecoming is Oct. 17 through 22. Be on the lookout for the exciting events SAB has scheduled. Show up at the Alley every Thursday for SAB's Thursday Night Live series. The events include dances, comedians, open mic night and other coffeehouse entertainment. Movies are shown in the alley at 7 p.m. Tuesdays, noon Wednesdays and 2 p.m. Thursdays. This week's movie is *8 Seconds* starring *90210*'s Luke Perry. Tim McGraw will appear in concert on Oct. 7: watch for more information. SAB committee's meet at 4 p.m. every Monday in Rm. 214 of the Student Union. Remember all SAB events are free with student identification.

**Student Government and Homecoming Elections**

Elections for Student Government class senators and senators-at-large, homecoming court and Mr. and Miss NSU will be held Sept. 28 at Iberville Dining Hall and Sept. 29 at the Student Union. Runoffs will be Oct. 5 and 6.

Election candidates for SGA senate positions will pose for pictures from 1 to 3 p.m. today and 9 to 11 a.m. tomorrow in Rm. 113 Kyser Hall.

Nomination forms for Homecoming court and Mr. and Miss NSU are due Thursday evening. Pictures of these nominees will be taken from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Sept. 29 in Rm. 221 of the Student Union.

**Student Phone Directory**

The Student Government Association Phone Directory will be available in October. The directory will be printed once for the 1994-95 school year. Resident students who do not want their phone numbers in the directory must see Mr. St. Andre at University Housing in the Student Union. Commuter students who do not want their number listed must fill out an information hold request form in the Registrar's Office in Roy Hall. All information hold requests must be completed by Sept. 27.

The Student Directory is published in accordance with the Privacy Act which is on page 33 of the 1994-95 University General Catalog.

**Free AIDS/syphilis Testing**

All Northwestern students may receive free AIDS and syphilis tests from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. 17 and 18 in the Northwestern infirmary. Students must present a current Northwestern identification card.

**Pre Law Society**

Our next meeting will be at 6 p.m. Sept. 26 in the SGA conference room. Don't forget dues for the semester need to be paid at this meeting. They are $5. Also pictures for the yearbook are at 5:40 p.m. Oct. 12 in the Student Union.

**Amateur Radio Club**

Amateur Radio Club will meet at 8 p.m. Tuesdays in Rm. 206 Kyser Hall. Everyone is invited. Call 357-5098 for more information.

**Zeta Phi Beta**

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority will have an information seminar at 6 p.m. Thursday in the Cane River Room of the Student Union.

**Free Speech Forum Committee**

The Free Speech Forum Committee will meet at 3:30 p.m. Friday in the SGA conference room. Remember, all full-time students are members of the SGA, and therefore are eligible to serve on the committees. For more information, or if you are interested but unable to attend, leave a message for Dana Lewis in the SGA Office.

**College Republicans**

The College Republicans will meet at 4 p.m. Wednesday in Rm. 315 of the Student Union. Officers will be nominated and elected at this meeting. Here is your opportunity to get involved in the future of our great nation.

**Pan-Hellenic Council**

The Northwestern Pan-Hellenic Council will meet at 5 p.m. tomorrow in Rm. 221 of the Student Union. All National Pan-Hellenic Council organizations should have one delegate in attendance. The council will approve NPHC Constitution and Bylaws.

**Interfraternity Council**

The Interfraternity Council will meet at 3:30 p.m. Thursday in Rm. 221 of the Student Union. All social fraternities are required to have delegates in attendance for the IFC meetings.

**Pep Rally**

In an attempt to promote school spirit, the Order of Omega will host a Demon Pep Rally at 7 p.m. Friday in Turpin Stadium. All students, faculty, staff and Demon fans are encouraged to come out and support the Northwestern Demons.

**Family Day**

Northwestern Family Day is Saturday. Activities get under way at 1 p.m. with registration in the fine arts building and the program at 2 p.m. For more information on how to get your family involved in the day's event, contact the Student Union Office at 357-6511.

**Kappa Sigma**

Slave Auction is 9 p.m. Thursday at the Kappa Sig House. Study hall is still going on at the library.

**Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.**

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. announces the following events. All ladies should attend the Rhapsody in Pink: Girl Talk 2 at 8 p.m. Sept. 27 in the Faculty Lounge of the Student Union.

The 1994 Fall Rush will be 8 p.m. Oct. 11 in the President's Room. All ladies are encouraged to attend.

Raffle tickets are being sold for $1 to win a $50 gift certificate at Wal-Mart. You do not need to be present at the Oct. 1 drawing to win.

The Homecoming Step Off Greek Show will be at 8 p.m. Oct. 21 at the Intramural Building. Advanced ticket are $3 and regular tickets are $5.

**Sigma Tau Delta**

Sigma Tau Delta, the international English honor society, will hold its first semester meeting at 5 p.m. Wednesday in Rm. 327 Kyser Hall. Current members invite interested students to join. Active membership is limited to currently enrolled students, graduate or undergraduate, who have two college courses in English beyond the freshman level and a B average. They must rank in the highest 35 percent of the class in general scholarship and have completed at least three semesters.

For further information, see Dr. Christine Ford, sponsor, in Rm. 316Q of Kyser Hall, 357-6608; or see Dr. Garry Ross, department chair, Rm. 318 Kyser Hall, 357-6272.

**Non-Traditional Student Organization**

Meetings will be from noon to 1 p.m. Wednesdays in Rm. 221 of the Student Union. The new secretary will be elected at this week's meeting. Meetings are open to all interested.

**The NSU International Film Series**

The NSU International Film Series will show *Cyrano de Bergerac* at 7 p.m. Friday in Rm. 142 Kyser hall.

Reviewed by *Rolling Stone* as "a hugely entertaining entertaining spectacle," this 1990 French film stars Gerard Depardieu and Anne Brochet in a story of a 17th Century soldier-adventurer, Cyrano, who is secretly in love with the beautiful Roxanne.

he NSU International Film Series is sponsored by the Louisiana Scholars' College, the Department of Language and Communication and the Department of Telecommunications and Journalism. Admission is free.

**Study and/or Teach in Spain**

Dr. Miguel Fuster Marquez, a professor in the Department of English and German Philology at the University of Valencia in Spain, will present a lecture on opportunities for students and faculty to study or teach at the University of Valencia in forthcoming academic terms or years.

Sponsored by the Spanish government, the University of Valencia, and Northwestern, Dr. Fuster has been here for eight months, studying Spanish speakers and the descendants of the first Spanish settlers here in Louisiana and Texas.

His lecture will be at noon tomorrow in Rm. 113 Fournet Hall and is sponsored by the Louisiana Scholars' College.

**College Democrats**

The College Democrats will meet at 3 p.m. Thursday in Rm. 316 of the Student Union. The goal of the meeting is to elect officers and establish goals for the year. New students are encouraged to attend. For more information call Frances Conine at 357-5621.

**Inner Connection**

The Inner Connection meeting will be at 5 p.m. tomorrow in Rm. 305 of the Student Union.

**Forestry and Wildlife Conservation Club**

The FWCC will sponsor a social at 6 p.m Thursday at Wyatt's House. Check the FWCC bulletin board by Rm. 201 of the biology building for directions. All members are welcome and remember your dues if you haven't already paid.

**Phi Eta Sigma**

Phi Eta Sigma, the freshman honor society, will meet at 3:30 p.m. today in Rm. 106 Kyser Hall to elect new officers and plan its year's activities.

**Circle K International**

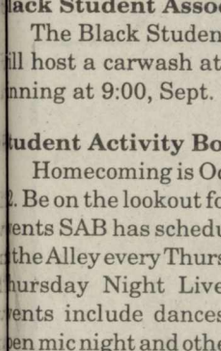
Circle K International meets at 6 p.m. Tuesdays in the Faculty Lounge of the Student Union.

**Society for the Advancement of Management**

SAM's first meeting will be at noon tomorrow in Rm. 102 of Morrison Hall. Students of all majors are invited. The meeting will be very brief. For more information, contact Dr. Fusilier at 357-5264 or Shannon Clark at 352-0923.

***The Current Sauce***

*The Current Sauce* will have a mandatory staff meeting for all staff writers, editors, photographers, columnists and layout personnel at 5 p.m. tomorrow in Rm. 225 Kyser Hall. Assignments and staff handbooks will be given out.



## Forum

Letters to the editor should be no more than 500 words and must include the signature of the author, the author's classification, major and phone number for fact verification. Letters must be in good taste, truthful and free of libel, malice and personal controversy. Inclusion of any and all material is left to the discretion of the editor.

SONNY CARTER
*Northwestern Instructor*

Yessir, Brad — You're right! Cigarettes don't kill smokers, smokers kill smokers.

Let's use gun laws as models for tobacco use. We can have a waiting period to buy, along with a background check.

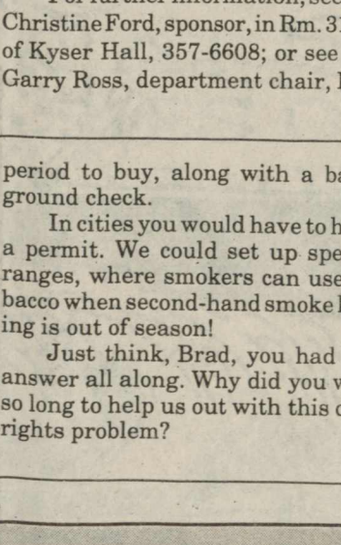
In cities you would have to have a permit. We could set up special ranges, where smokers can use tobacco when second-hand smoke killing is out of season!

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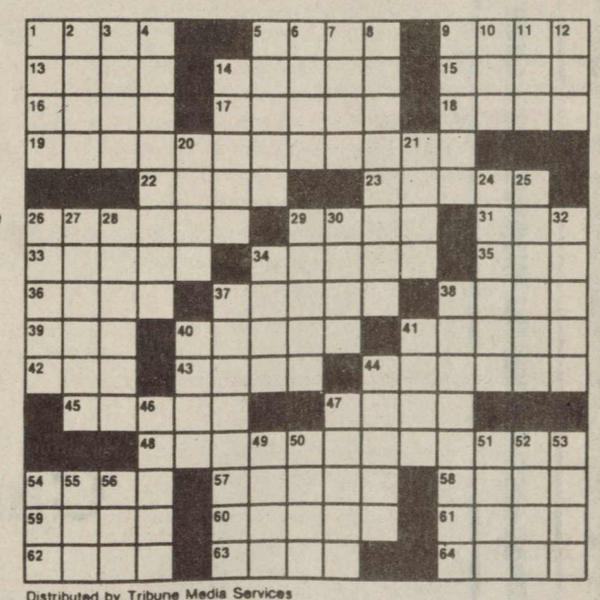
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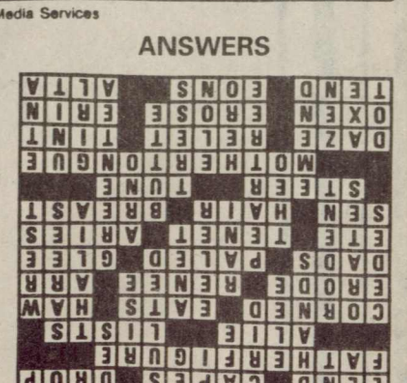

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ANSWERS



# DEBATE TEAM:

## Continued from front page

According to Graham, the challenge for this team lies in the pressure to be repeat champs, even though the team feels no pressure.

"Pressure comes from within," Roland said. "We compete by exercising our minds." Roland also said pressure is good as long as it is used to accomplish goals.

The team has received much publicity from Northwestern, Natchitoches and even the state. Talton said the billboard on the corner of the Hwy. 1 bypass is "cool."

"It was overwhelming when I first got here," Fruge said. He said he felt welcomed and respected when he arrived, which helped subdue the pressure.

Traveling is a major factor in being on the debate team. The team faces six tournaments in an eight-week span traveling as far as San Diego for the national tournament. The team was also invited to the South Carolina Round Robin Tournament where 16 of the best debate teams in the country compete. Northwestern will be the be the youngest team, but will gain valuable experience.

"I'm kind of looking forward to it," Garrison said.

The team has just been given their topic on the issue of violent punishment for this semester and will be working to research both sides. The team works an average of 50 hours per week on research, but while there is a great deal of work and research, the team manages to find time for movies, lasagna parties and barbecues.

"We think relaxation is a very important part of our success," Barnett said.

### MINUTES FOR THE NORTHWESTERN STATE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION MEETING 09/12/94

The meeting was called to order by Jacinda Averitt. MaryAnn led the Pledge of Allegiance and Jacob led the prayer. Jonathan called roll and Amy Dafler, Jeff Foshee and Kyle Moore were not present.

Jacinda called for the officers' reports and Clay Gardner passed around a copy of the budget to look over and approve.

Blair said that Career Planning and Placement needs about $100 to cover the cost for pizza for career day. He said we need to look into setting up a contest to get ideas for the new "Vic the Demon" costume. He said that he is looking into getting a bus to take students to the Northwestern vs. Nicholls game this weekend. The bus ride would cost $5 per student. Whether or not this will occur will be finalized the morning of September 13.

Blair asked for volunteers for an SAB representative two volunteers for Committee on Organizations, and two volunteers for Who's Who committee. He announced that the Campus Leaders Workshop will be held on Thursday, October 6 at 6:00 p.m.

Blair announced committee chairperson appointees and they are

Academic Affairs — Mark Alexander
External Affairs — Maddie Boudreaux
Fiscal Affairs — Clay Gardner
Club Sports — Wendy Crochet
Internal Affairs — (new speaker of the Senate)
Election Board — n/a
Student Services — Jacob Johnson
Campus Improvements — MaryAnn McDaniel
Traffic and Safety — Chris Conway
Environmental Awareness — n/a
Free Speech Forum — n/a

Jacinda called for committee reports and old business. There was none. She called for new business and Maddie moved to approve the new budget. The motion passed unanimously.

Maddie moved to approve Mark Alexander as a new Senator. Jacob asked why Mark would not have to go through the voting process. Blair clarified that mark would still have to run in the upcoming election. The motion passed unanimously.

Chris Conway moved to approve the following member to the election board: Angela Henigin, Wendy Crochet, MaryAnn McDaniel, Hanna Marie Crowley, Jacob Johnson, Jonathan Gauthier, Richard Holtz. The motion passed unanimously.

Jacob Johnson moved to approve Dana Lewis and Pete Muldoon as Senators-at-Large. The motion passed unanimously.

Melissa Mabou moved to open nominations for speaker of the Senate and nominations included Mark Alexander and Wendy Crochet. Maddie moved to close nominations. The motion passed unanimously. Senators voted by secret ballot. Blair led the new Senators Pete Muldoon, Mark Alexander, and Dana Lewis to be sworn in. Blair and Jacinda counted votes and results were

Wendy Crochet — 8
Mark Alexander — 7
Wendy Crochet is the new speaker of the Senate.

Wendy presented a bill to the Senate the four thousand dollars would be given to the Soccer Club form the Club Sports fund. The motion passed with one abstention.

Wendy presented a bill that would give forty-five hundred dollars to the Bowling Team. There was discussion about the team's expenses. Mark Alexander moved that we table the bill. The motion passed to table the bill. There was one abstention.

Maddie moved to open nominations for Who's Who among college students. Nominations included Clay Gardner, Maddie Boudreaux, and Romona Reed. Nominations were closed. The nominations were approved and the motion passed unanimously.

Maddie moved that the SGA give up to $100 for Career Day. The motion passed unanimously.

Melissa moved to approve the election dates for September 28 and 29 and the run-off dates for October 5 and 6. The motion passed unanimously.

MaryAnn McDaniel, Kasey Nunley, and Wendy Crochet volunteered for the Who's Who committee.

Misti Mayeaux volunteered to be the SAB representative.

Blair announced that the Media Board meeting will be Wednesday, September 14 at 2:00 p.m. in Room 124 Kyser.

MaryAnn moved to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned.


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ON-CAMPUS INTERVIEWS

Federal Corrections - Thurs. September 22. Full-Time
Primerica Financial Service - Thurs. September 22. Financial Planning
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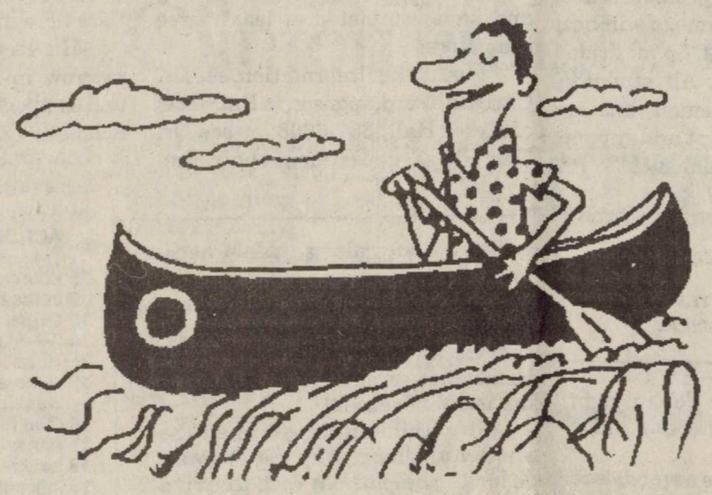
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# IM swim meet successful

David Weaver
*The Current Sauce*

The 1994-95 intramural swim season started Wednesday with the annual meet at the Rec Complex Pool, and according to Dr. Gene Newman, director of Leisure Activities and Recreational Sports, the event was a success.

"The meet went really well," Newman said. "We had good participation and competition."

The meet was divided into men's and women's divisions, and the Kappa Sigma team, led by Brian Brandon with first place finishes in the 25- and 50-meter freestyle events and the 25-meter backstroke, won the men's competition with 61 points.

Tau Kappa Epsilon came in second place with 60 points, Kappa Alpha finished third with 32 points and Theta Chi finished fourth with 27.

In individual competition, Luke Lanley turned in an impressive performance winning the 50-meter breaststroke (34.10 seconds), 25-meter breaststroke (14.39) and the 25-meter butterfly (12.38).

Kappa Alpha edged Kappa Sigma in the 200-meter freestyle relay (2:03:36 to 2:03:45) in one of the more exciting races of the day. Tau Kappa Epsilon won the 100-meter medley relay with a time of 1:00, followed by Kappa Sigma at 1:04:20 and Theta Chi at 1:06:52.

Phi Mu ran off with the women's championship, finishing with 86 points. Tri Sigma came in second with 59 points, and Sigma Kappa finished third with 42.

Phi Mu Lauren Gelpi brought home two first-place finishes, winning the 50-meter breaststroke (39.33) and 25-meter butterfly (13.84). Phi Mu's Brooke Smith won first place in the 25-meter freestyle (16.56).

Sigma Kappa Amanda Tomlin won the 50-meter freestyle with a time of 34.25, Tri Sigma Crystal Wells won the 25-meter backstroke (22:20) and Cari Pequet, Tri Sigma, won the 25-meter breaststroke (25.25).

Phi Mu swept the 100-meter relay (1:17) and the 200-meter relay (2:27:09). Sigma Kappa finished second and Tri Sigma finished third.

The flag football season started Thursday with the preseason jamboree. According to Newman, the purpose of the jamboree was to create interest in the regular season, which began yesterday.

"We didn't really play the tournament to decide a winner, as such," Newman said. "It was held to generate excitement among the teams."

Newman expects to have a league of roughly 40 teams. As of Friday, 35 teams signed up. Divisions include a dormitory division, Greek division, Orange open division, Purple open division, women's open division, and a co-rec division. Additional entries will be accepted until Oct. 3.

Newman said aerobics classes are offered from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday at the IM/Rec Building. A new aerobics class will startat 8 p.m. Sept. 26. Classes are open to all students, faculty and staff.

The Nine-Ball Pool Tournament will start at 7 p.m. Sept. 28 in the IM/Rec Building. Winners will receive awards and prizes. Anyone wishing to participate can go to IM/Building or contact the Department of Leisure Activities at 357-5461.

# NSU vs. NSU: Northwestern is victor

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Fernandez' PAT gave the Demons a 14-0 cushion.

Fullback Terry Williamson capped another Demon drive with a 3-yard scoring burst at 6:01 of the second quarter, culminating an impressive nine-play, 64-yard drive. Mike Allen's 31-yard run on a reverse set up the score, and the Demons held a commanding 21-0 lead. The Colonels' Adam Deale nailed a 48-yard field goal and the margin at halftime was 21-3.

In the second half, the Demon offense took over. Facing a third-and-17 situation from his eight yardline, Nicholls quarterback Cory Thomas was intercepted by Demon defensive end Grant Crowder, who returned the interception for a touchdown. The extra point gave Northwestern a 28-3 lead with just over seven minutes left in the third period.

On the Colonels next possession, Demon linebacker Steve Readeaux scooped up a fumble at midfield and raced 50 yards for the score. Fernandez kicked the extra, and the Demons coasted in the fourth quarter to the 35-3 blowout win.

"I can't remember the last time we did that," Goodwin said of the two defensive touchdowns. "It's been a long time since we've gotten some easy scores like that."

With the win, the Demons jump out to an early lead in the Southland Conference (2-1 overall and 1-0 in SLC). Goodwin feels his team is right where it needs to be at this stage.

"It's good to be 1-0 in conference," Goodwin said. "It's tough to start out with a loss in this league and win the championship."

The Demons return Saturday to face East Texas State in Turpin Stadium at 7 p.m.


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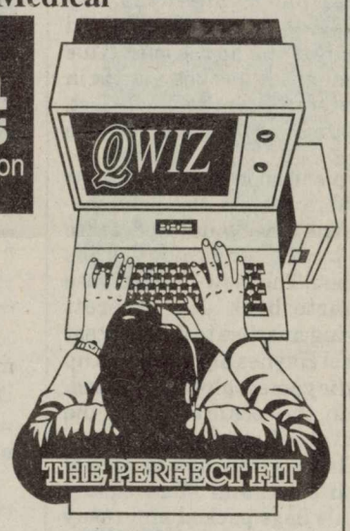
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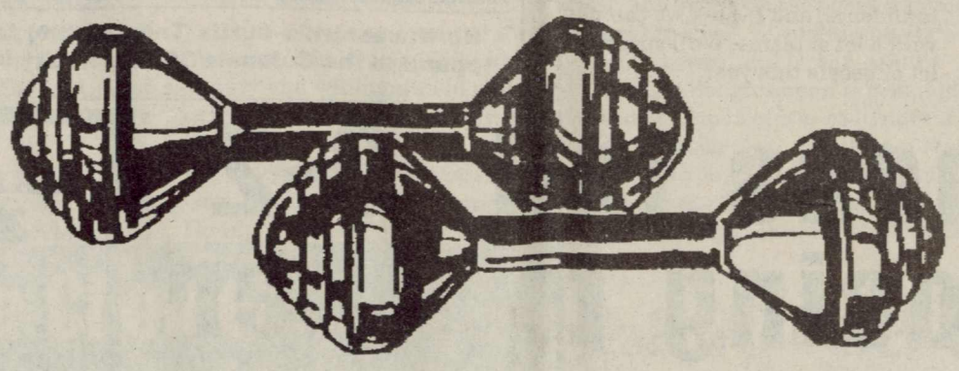
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# Saints need help

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Every sport in America has one — that franchise that never seems to get anywhere fast. Every season is an uphill struggle that is filled with embarrassment and heartbreak for that team's fans.

But perhaps no team is the laughingstock of its league more than the pro football squad in New Orleans. The Saints' frustration in the NFL is well-documented, especially here in Louisiana.




For almost three decades, this franchise has fumbled and bumbled its way through season after season and basically stunk up the joint. This is a team that has been stuck in neutral since its inception. In fact, the Saints have never left the garage.

This season promises to be no different than the past seasons. The once vaunted defense of the late 80s and early 90s has vanished. The "new-look" offense of quarterback Jim Everett throwing missiles to deep-threat Michael Haynes hasn't shown up until the game is already decided. By then, the boos are blowing the roof off the Superdome.

This is a franchise in need of a fresh start. Jim Mora should have his bags packed and ready to jump on the first flight out of New Orleans. His head will be the first to roll once owner Tom Benson lowers the ax. Admittedly, Mora has been the most successful coach in Saints history, and he is one of the classiest coaches in the league, but his time in the Big Easy is over.

This team needs to start fresh with a new coach, a proven winner who will not listen to excuses and will bring a heavy-handed discipline to the franchise. The best thing the Saints could do is to take the millions they were saving for Deion Sanders and give every last cent to Mike Ditka.

If I'm the owner of this team, Ditka is my coach and general manager tomorrow. The ex-Bears mentor is the perfect guy to shape up the clouded and sad Saints puzzle.

After bringing in Ditka, it would be time to clean house. The only option for the Saints in the long run is to somehow join expansion franchises Carolina and Jacksonville at the top of the draft next April. So, the veterans who have experienced nothing but losing in New Orleans must be allowed to move on, and a sweeping infusion of youth needs to be injected into the organization.

For starters, the Saints need to do everything in their power to land Alcorn State quarterback Steve McNair in the draft. Somehow, someway, "Air" McNair needs to suit up for New Orleans next season. Most pro scouts see him as the first true franchise quarterback to come out of college since Troy Aikman.

With Ditka and McNair in the fold, the base would be established. New Orleans could rebuild through the draft, and in the new era of free agency much quicker than in the past.

The only solution is to develop patience one last time and endure maybe a couple of three and four win seasons, while "Iron Mike" rebuilds this franchise in his own image. But the Saints must take action right now, before the bottom completely falls out.

Or, until someone else decides to hire Ditka.

**SPORTS TALK**

# PLAYER OF THE WEEK

KELVIN PIERRE
*The Current Sauce*

Sophomore Clarence Matthews ran for a career-high 129 yards on 12 carries and 75-yard touchdown Saturday in Northwestern's 35-3 win over Nicholls State and was named *The Current Sauce's* Player of the Week.

Matthews, who started the second and third games of last season before undergoing an appendectomy on the morning of the Demons' fourth game, said the return of quarterback Braid Laird and center John Dippel gave the team a big boost.

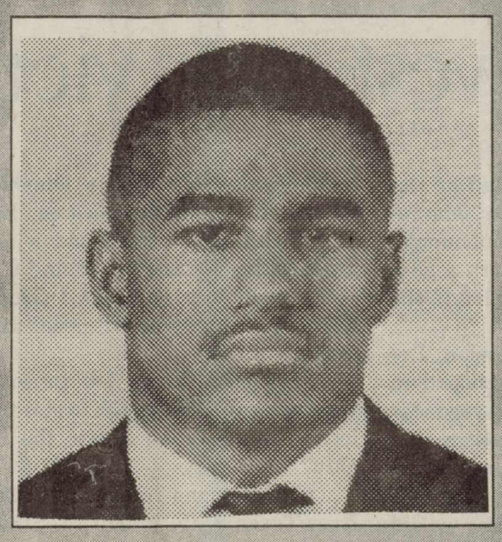
"We felt good going into this game with Brad and Dippel back," Matthews said. "It was also important for us to win our first conference game."

Matthews gave credit to the offensive line for the his performance, and he hopes the team's performance will carryover to Saturday when the Demons host East Texas State.

"A lot of people said that the offensive line is weak," Matthews said. "But I think that they really came around."

**Player File**

**Name:** Clarence Matthews
**Age:** 20
**Hometown:** New Orleans
**Major:** Criminal Justice
**Performance vs. Nicholls State:** 129 yards on 12 carries and a 75-yard touchdown.
**1993:** Rushed for 198 yards on 32 carries and two touchdowns. Averaged 141.3 yards of all-purpose yardage.
**Honors:** Northwestern Athletic Honor Roll, "Silver" (3.0-3.499 GPA), spring 1994.



# Northwestern trounces NSU

DAVID WEAVER
*The Current Sauce*

Nicholls State University witnessed first-hand the awakening of a slumbering giant Saturday.

Led by tailback Clarence Matthews' 135-yard rushing performance, Brad Laird's return at quarterback and another dominating performance by the defense, Northwestern walloped the Colonels 35-3 at Guidry Stadium in Thibodaux.

Laird's return from a shoulder injury coincided with his first performance of the season by the Demon offense. Although Laird's statistics weren't particularly eye-opening (four of nine for 41 yards), his presence on the field definitely raised the offense's level of play.

"The difference with Brad being in there was that he was able to work out of some tough situations with his experience," Head Coach Sam Goodwin said after the game. "Our younger guys probably would have forced something in the situations, but Brad was able to keep his cool and not make any mistakes."

Matthews made things easier for Laird's season debut with a career-best rushing performance that included a 76-yard touchdown burst on the first play of the second quarter.

The Demon defense, which continued its string of excellent games this season, scored two touchdowns and extended its string of quarters without a touchdown to nine.

"I felt in our first two games, if we hadn't turned the ball over like we did, it would've been very difficult for anyone to score on us," Goodwin said. "We've got a good defensive football team."

The Demons sent a message to the Colonels on the opening drive of the game. Danny Alexander carried four times for 38 yards in a drive culminated by his 15-yard touchdown run. Jason Fernandez's point after capped off a nine-play, 7-yard drive and the Demons led 7-0.

Nicholls could only muster one first down in the opening quarter which ended with Northwestern facing a third and one situation from the Demon 24. Matthews then broke his long touchdown jaunt, an

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# Lady Demon volleyball gets off to best start in nearly 20 seasons

MIKE WHITMIRE
*The Current Sauce*

The Northwestern Lady Demons have taken to first-year Coach Denise Dewey's new style of play and used it for the team's best start in nearly 20 seasons.

The Lady Demons, 4-0, won twice at home this week. Northwestern downed Southern 15-4, 15-3, 13-15, 15-11 Friday, and Tuesday won their home opener with Grambling 15-10, 7-15, 15-6, 15-5

"The season's been going great," Amy Warren, sophomore, said. "We've been working hard and we've got a lot of expectations."

Freshman Tiffany Cronin led the way for the Lady Demons in Friday's win over Southern with 12 kills and five service aces.

Karen Hill had eight kills for Northwestern and Warren and Kim Jesiolowski added seven kills apiece.

The Lady Demons had their best offensive night of the season against Southern, with 42 kills in 87 attempts.

"The coaches have made a big difference," Warren said. "After every game we're correcting our mistakes at the next practice. We're learning more every practice."

Northwestern had 21 service aces as a team in Tuesday's win over Grambling. Julie Coert led the team in that department with six. Warren had a team-high eight kills for the Lady Demons.

"In the past two years we've played well against the non-conference teams," Coert said. "But this year we've eliminated them much more quickly and have been a lot more efficient."

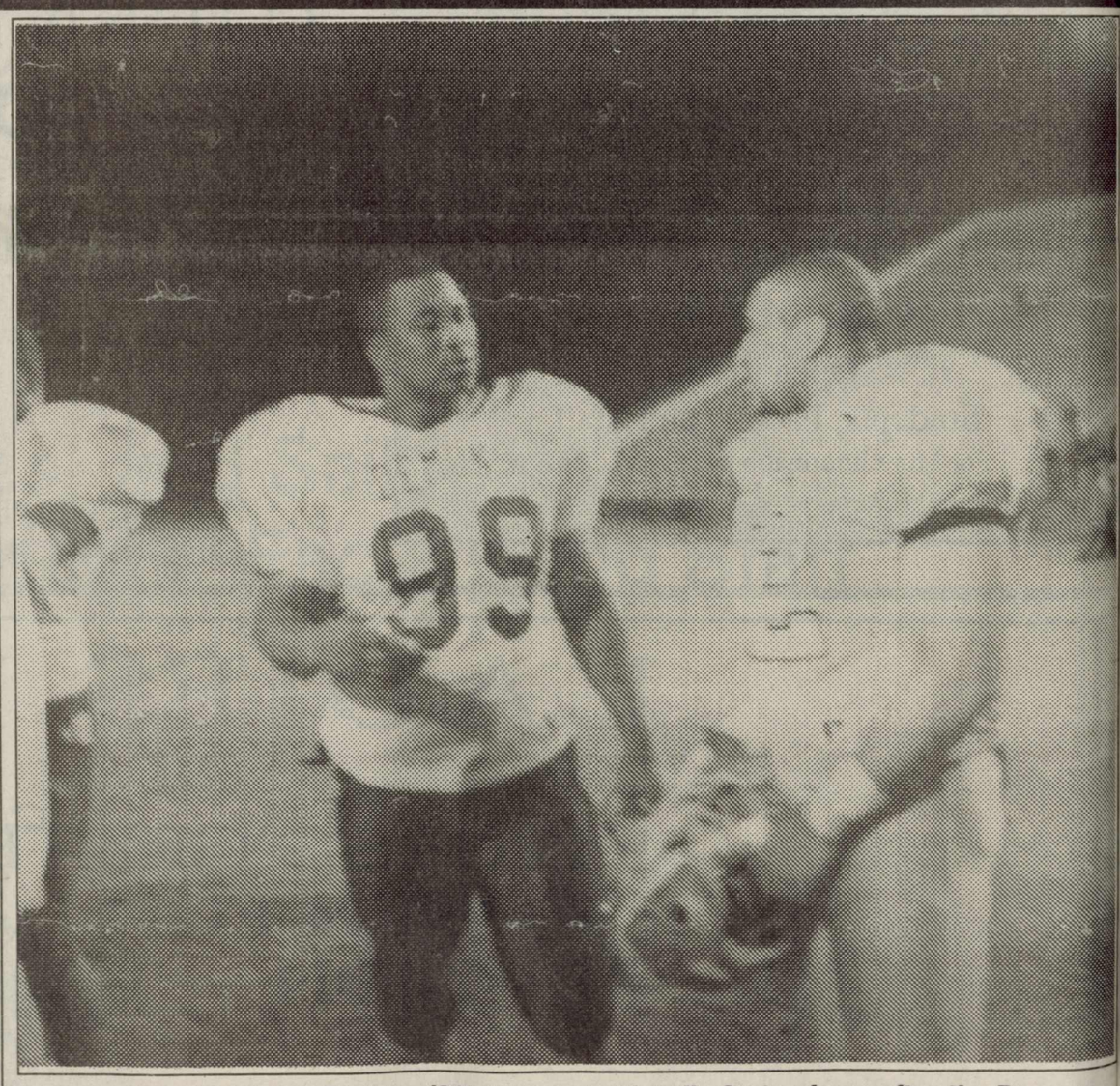
The Lady Demons played the home opener to a record setting crowd of 185 at Prather Coliseum.

"The turnouts have been great," Coert said. "We've never had people come out to watch us before, but Coach Dewey has done a lot of promotion. Hopefully they'll keep coming out."

Northwestern doesn't play again until 7 p.m. Sept. 27, when it hosts Centenary. The Lady Demons open Southland Conference play Sept. 29, at McNeese State.

"We're anxious," Coert said of the start of league play. "The competition will be getting better and better, and we're curious to see how we are going to do. We are getting more confidence, and I think we can play with a lot of teams. We'll surprise a lot of people this year."

# Talking it over



**Northwestern's Curtis Tademy (99) talks to a Nicholls State player after the Demons pounded the Colonels 35-3 Saturday in Thibodaux.**

# JV Demons fall 0-2 after losing to Tyler

MIKE WHITMIRE
*The Current Sauce*

Tyler Junior College downed Northwestern's junior varsity football team 27-8 Thursday at Turpin Stadium, dropping the Demons to 0-2 on the season.

Freshman Brandon Emanuel, who played quarterback for three quarters in Northwestern's 15-12 win over Delta State on Sept. 10, passed for 227 yards.

Emanuel found Adam Young for a 62-yard touchdown pass, the Demons only score of the game, and then scored a two-point conversion.

Freshman David Roe led the Demon defense with 12 tackles and freshman Marcus English had 10. Dwight Collins was Northwestern's leading rusher with 46 yards on 12 carries.

"There is nothing but benefit from this," said JV Coach Les Johnson, who is also coaches the varsity running backs. "These guys come out here and work out through two-a-days and go all this time and they deserve an opportunity to play. It's also a good measure of where we are. We're playing good football teams."

Northwestern's Head Coach Sam Goodwin, said the junior varsity program was put in place to help out the varsity squad immediately and in the future.

"Most of all it gives us a chance to bring in additional players," Goodwin said. "By rule, you're limited to 90 players during two-a-days, but if you play a four-game JV schedule you're allowed to bring in an unlimited number. Plus, we're allowed to have two additional restricted earnings coaches."

Goodwin said having a JV team also has drawbacks.

"You lose a year of eligibility if you play in a JV game," Goodwin said. "It counts as a regular game. It restricts us in a lot of ways, it takes players away from practices. If it was the best thing in the world, everybody would be doing it. There are good points and bad points, but I think the positives outweigh the negatives."

Northwestern has had a junior varsity team for the past three seasons and most of the 12 seasons that Goodwin has been the Demon coach. The Demons are the only team in the Southland Conference with a junior varsity team.

The Demons will wrap up the four game season on the road. The next game will be played at Navarro next Thursday and Trinity Valley on Oct. 13.

**What's Up Next for the Demons.**

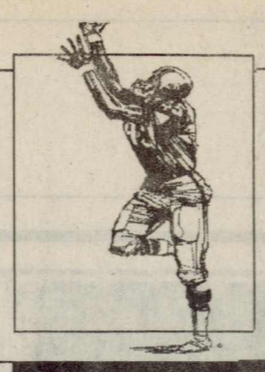
**East Texas State University**

**Location:** Commerce, Texas
**Founded:** 1889
**Enrollment:** 8,325
**Nickname:** Lions
**Colors:** Blue and Gold
**Famous Alumni:** Sam Rayburn
**Conference:** Lone Star
**Coach:** Eddie Vowell
**Career Record:** 47-43-1
**1993 Record:** 5-6
**Last Meeting:** 1993 at Northwestern — Northwestern won 30-19
**Next Game:** Oct. 1 at Central Oklahoma
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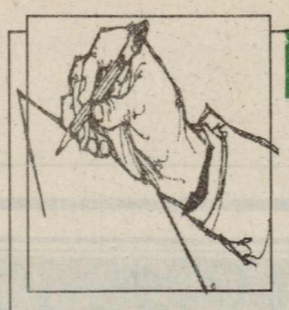
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**SAB SPONSORS COUNTRY CONCERT:** New country singer, Tim McGraw, will perform in Prather Coliseum Oct. 7. **PAGE 2**

**MATH PROFESSOR HELPS CANCER VICTIMS THROUGH RUNNING:** Dr. Charles Viers, professor of mathematics, is running for a lot more than good exercise. Viers will run in a London marathon to raise money for cancer research. **PAGE 2**

### CITY

**CITY COUNCIL AND HISTORIC DISTRICT ENDORSE NEW BRIDGE PROPOSAL:** After two years of debate, the City Council and historic district have agreed on an alternative bridge proposal in the City Council meeting last night. Keyser bridge will be replaced with a three-lane structure. A temporary bridge will be built along side the old Keyser bridge so traffic will continue during the construction. The Department of Transportation and Development will take the proposal to the state for final recommendation.

### STATE

**ELVIS TO BE REMEMBERED IN SHREVEPORT:** Elvis fans in Shreveport will get the opportunity to remember him during the Louisiana Hayride Commemorative program Oct. 16. Exactly 40 years ago, 19-year-old Elvis Presley made his debut on the Louisiana Hayride singing on network radio show that was aired throughout the nation. Actual recordings will be included at the concert along with special recognition for the fans who were there 40 years ago. General admission is $15 and $17 for reserved seats. For more ticket information call Reggie Churchwell or Lou Thompson at 244-5357.

### NATION

**DEPRESSED STUDENTS PASS ON THE BLUES TO ROOMMATES:** Depressed students can make their roommates feel more depressed, according to a study recently conducted by Dr. Thomas E. Joiner of the University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston. **PAGE 2**

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# Departure of professor focus of student protest

## Denial of tenure to Scholars' College professor leaves questions unanswered

HANK CANNON
*Current Sauce*

Saturday night, more than 30 students from the Louisiana Scholars' College held a candlelight vigil to protest the denial of tenure to professors Nathan Therien and Janet Sturman.

While visiting parents and alumni enjoyed the football game, the students from the Scholars' College, met in front of President Alost's home on campus.

Therien and Sturman have been teaching at the Scholars' College since its inception. Therien received his doctorate from Harvard and Thurman received hers from Columbia University.

Dr. Ray Wallace, director of Scholar's College, said, "I have no comment about their tenure decisions."

The protest was organized by Dawn Miller, a junior in the Scholars' College and Rhonda McCalep, the only non-traditional student in the Scholars' College program.

"Dr. Therien and Dr. Sturman both had their tenures denied this fall for spring 1995, so they won't be able to teach at the college anymore," Miller said. "We all love the Scholars' College, and it's a great school. We've received a great education here and they have a great faculty here.

"We just want to know why they were denied and we're very upset that they were denied. College campuses are a place where you are supposed to be able to stand up and say 'This is what I believe in.' On larger campuses things like this go on all the time. It's probably one of the first times in a long time this has happened at Northwestern."

"My feelings on the matter are strong," McCalep said. "I am $20,000 in debt to come here to this program, to be taught by these professors. I've uprooted three children to come here and I am sorely disappointed."

"When I came here it was with the highest hopes; and I still have high hopes for the college. We've loved it. It has been one of the most exciting educational programs and the finest group of people I've ever known in my entire life. I would like to show some support to those teachers that believed in me and allowed me to come and learn from them."

Therien and Sturman didn't hear about the protest until it already happened. "I was pleased that the students were speaking their minds," Therian said. "I hope the students will get answers to their questions."

In an open letter to the college

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## Candlelight Remembrance



**Scholars' College students Charlene Edwards, senior, and Clara Gerl, junior, light candles in protest after learning of Professor Nate Therien's departure. About 25 students attended the rally in front of President Alost's residence Saturday night.**

# Congressman Fields awarded Nth degree

MIKE WHITMIRE
*Current Sauce*

Northwestern honored United States Representative Cleo Fields Saturday night at Turpin Stadium.

Dr. Robert A. Alost, president of Northwestern, presented Fields with the Nth Degree Award at halftime of the Northwestern-East Texas State football game.

"It's quite an honor to have the President of the University bestow this award upon me," Fields said. "I don't take it lightly. It's one of the most prestigious awards I've received in my lifetime. I'll hold it with high esteem in my Washington office and we appreciate the Northwestern family for considering us for such a prestigious award."

Northwestern gives the award in recognition of unselfish devotion to duty and willingness to make an extra effort in meritorious service to mankind.

Previous award winners include Gov. Edwin Edwards, former Gov. Buddy Roemer, Mary Landrieu, state treasurer, and Jerry Fowler, commissioner of elections.

Fields is in his first term in the U.S. Congress representing the 4th Congressional District. He is the youngest member of Congress at age 31, and serves on the house committees on Small Business and Banking, Finance, and Urban Affairs.

The Congressman is seeking a second term in office, and under the redistricting plan, a portion of Natchitoches now falls into the 4th District. At age 24 Fields was elected to the Louisiana State Senate, becoming the youngest state senator in Louisiana history, and the youngest state senator in the nation at the time.

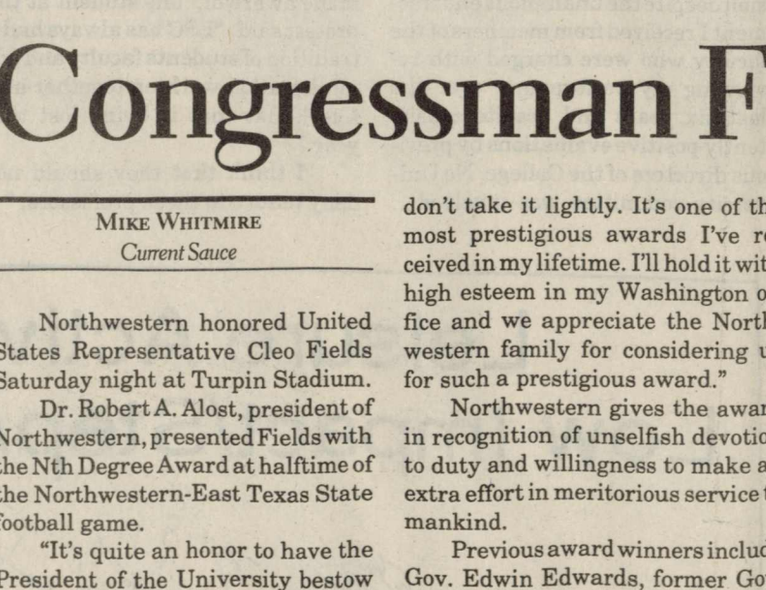
In the Louisiana Senate, Fields authored the law establishing drug free zones near school campuses and the law creating an inner city development economic program.

Fields also chaired the redistricting committee while in the State Senate and worked to craft a 65 percent African-American district that helped him construct his November 1992 Congressional election.

A graduate of Southern University where he earned a bachelor's degree in mass communications and a juris doctorate, Fields has been involved in public service nearly all of his adult life.

"We have so many problems in this country," Fields said. "And one of the solutions, in my opinion, is making sure the government does the right things in the area of education. I think the government can play a bigger and more productive role in the area of education, particularly elementary and secondary."

## Career Choices




**Students had the opportunity to meet with over 20 businesses at the annual Career/Graduate day in the Student Union Tuesday.**

# Lasorda to make NSU debut

SUSAN KLIEBERT
*Current Sauce*

Baseball legend Tommy Lasorda will begin this year's Distinguished Lecture Series at 9:30 a.m. Nov. 3 in the A.A. Fredericks Fine Arts Auditorium.

Lasorda has been with Los Angeles Dodgers for the past 44 years, serving as manager for the last 15 years. His lecture will be filled with "stories, humor and the lessons learned form creating and maintaining a successful organization," Ruth Alben, of Speaker Services, said.

"We haven't had any sports figures in a few years," Tom Whitehead, coordinator of the Distinguished Lecture Series, said. "Last year we has a newscaster, an historian and a poet.

The goal of the series is to bring diverse speakers to the University. We don't intend to please everyone all the time, just some people all the time."

One of the most remembered speakers from the last series was poet Maya Angelou. A record crowd filled Prather Coliseum to hear Angelou speak about womanhood, poetry, laughter and African-American history.

"To summarize her speech in two words, it was captivating and inspiring," said Jerry Mullins, a senior Scholars' College fine and performing arts major. "We need people who have insight into the real world, who can guide us and give us words of wisdom.

"That's what Maya did. She gave me strength to believe that I can make something good happen in this crazy world."

Another speaker in last year's series was newscaster Catherine Crier. Crier gave a speech entitled, "The World is Watching," which focused on television viewers' responsibilities.

"I though she was interesting because I saw her on the news," Donald DeHarde, a sophomore biology/pre-med major said. "It was nice to hear form someone I recognized. But I think it's too much [money] to spend on something that most people don't go to."

A $20,000 budget is set for each series. Approximately $10,000 comes from students ($1 from each student on both the Natchitoches and the Shreveport campuses) and the University adds in the other $10,000.

Selection of the speakers is made through a "community discussion," according to Whitehead. Price and speaker responsiveness are also included in the selection.

"Sometimes speakers don't want to come because of the drive from Shreveport," Whitehead said.

Classes will be canceled during the scheduled lecture time. The lecture is free and open to the public.

## Northwestern faculty appear on *Stateline*

Northwestern faculty members discussed the University's methods of using cable television to deliver classes for credit in a statewide broadcast Tuesday.

Dr. Ron McBride, head of the Department of Journalism and Telecommunications, Dr. Bob Gillan, coordinator of continuing education and lifelong learning and SuJuan Boutte appeared on *Stateline*, a public affairs program sponsored by the Louisiana Cable Television Association.

The University delivers classes to sites around North and Central Louisiana via satellite and on cable television. Northwestern broadcasts a class in British literature twice weekly to cable systems in Natchitoches, Many and Mansfield. The department also sends a space science class to schools Monday through Thursday using satellite and cable television.

## Country singer Tim McGraw to perform at Northwestern

One of country music's hottest new acts, Tim McGraw, will appear in concert at Northwestern at 7 p.m. Oct. 7 Prather Coliseum. The concert is sponsored by the Student Activities Board.

Two popular compact disks, *Welcome to The Club*, and *Not a Moment Too Soon*, and three hit singles, *Indian Outlaw*, *Don't Take The Girl* and *Down on The Farm*, have made McGraw a familiar name to country music fans.

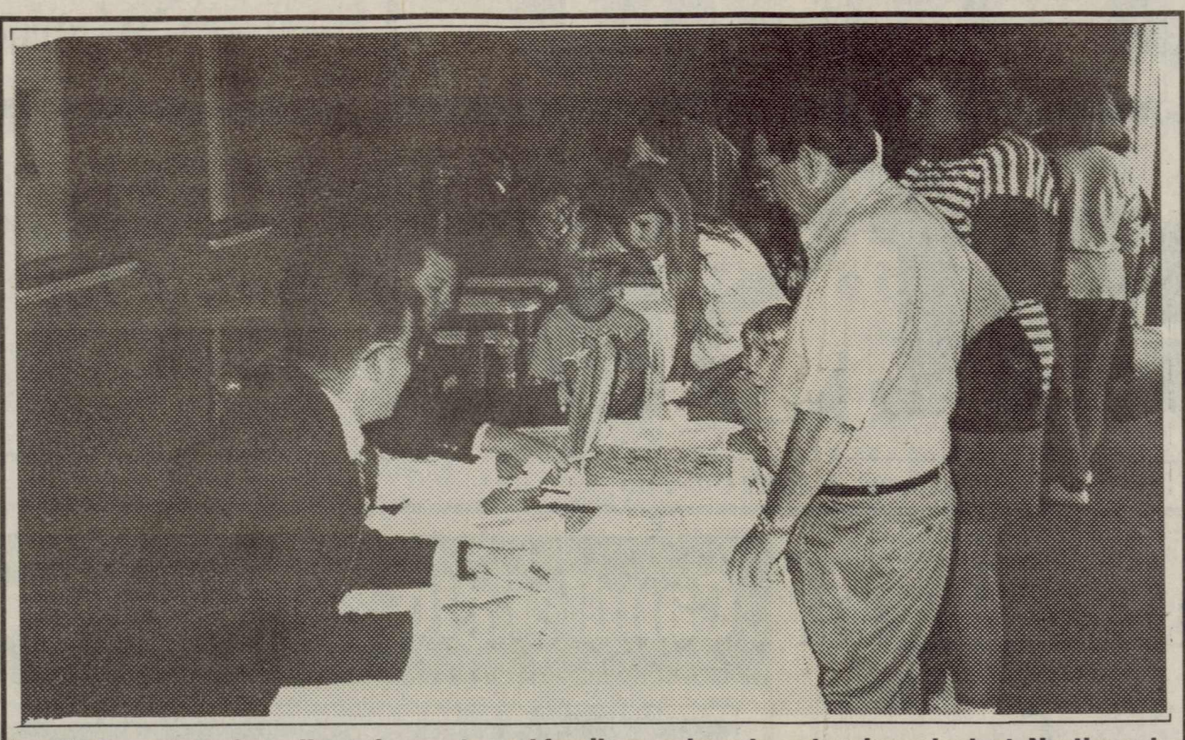
The singles show a wide musical range. *Indian Outlaw* is a hard-driving song that inspired a dance. *Down on The Farm* is a song about getting together with friends on Friday night in a neighbor's farm field, and *Don't Take The Girl*, is an emotional ballad that reflects the changing priorities a young man experiences as he goes through life.

McGraw's music reflects his Northeast Louisiana roots. Hegrew up in the Richland Parish community of Start and attended Northeast Louisiana University. One summer, he bought a guitar and taught himself how to play. By that fall, he was playing the club circuit around Northeast Louisiana and in Jacksonville, Fla. and had decided he wanted to be a musician.

"It's like something hits you upside the head and you say 'Wow, this is what I'm supposed to do," McGraw said. "I was just enthralled."

His first CD, *Welcome to The Club*, led *Country Music Magazine* to name him one of "Country's Most Likely to Succeed" last year. The CD also established a new genre of music, turbo-tonk.

Advance general admission tickets are $10 and $12 the day of the show. Northwestern students are admitted free with student identification. Tickets can be purchased in Rm. 214 in the Student Union. For more information, call 357-6511.



**Family Day, Saturday, allowed parents and family members to get a closer look at Northwestern. The day began with registration in the Fine Arts Auditorium and an assemby featuring Becky Blaney, a comedienne. Parents were also treated to dinner at Iberville Cafeteria and were given tickets to see the Demons play against East Texas State.**

## Math professor runs for leukemia victim

Any afternoon visitor to Northwestern has probably seen Dr. Charles Viers going the distance. Viers, a professor of mathematics, runs an average of 10 miles a day around the campus.

Viers, 53, runs for his health and he enjoys it. Now he's also running for someone else's health. In August, Viers joined Team In Training, a program to assist the Leukemia Society of America. Viers along with 60 other Louisiana runners will train for and run in the London Marathon next April in order to fight leukemia, the number one fatal disease affecting children ages one through 14.

"We each will obtain pledges or donations for each mile that we run in The London Marathon," Viers said. "Each runner must secure $2,800 in donations before he is able to enter the marathon."

All donations to the Louisiana Team In Training are designated for the patient aid program. This provides direct assistance to leukemia patients in Louisiana. Currently, over 1,500 people in Louisiana are registered with the patient aid program. "Each runner runs in honor of a certain leukemia patient," Viers said.

Viers will dedicate his London Marathon to Nicole Campbell, 12, of Natchitoches. Campbell is recovering from lymphoma, a leukemia related disease. She and her family are living in the Oak Grove area of Natchitoches, about one mile from Viers' home.

"I've met and talked with Nicole on several occasions," Viers said. "I gave her a tee-shirt to recognize that I'm running for her in The London Marathon."

Contributions to the Leukemia Society of America have made research advances and patient aid possible for Campbell. In 1960 the survival rate for childhood leukemia was five percent. Today, the rate is 80 percent and, by the year 2000, the Leukemia Society hopes to find a cure.

For more information about making a contribution to the Team In Training program, contact Viers at 357-0354.

## Roommate's depression could be contagious

Feeling run-down? Weepy? Don't want to get out of bed in the morning? You may have caught a bug from your roommate: depression.

Depressed students can make their roommates feel more depressed, according to a study recently conducted by Dr. Thomas E. Joiner of the University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston. Results of the study appeared recently in the *Journal of Personality and Social Psychology*.

If the roommates are the types who crave constant reassurance, the study said, then they were more likely to catch the blues. Nearly 100 pairs of roommates — male and female, including those who picked each other and those thrown together by lottery — were examined.

## Illegal drug use holds steady

After more than a decade of decline, illegal drug use in the United States increased slightly last year, according to the federal government.

The 1993 National Household Survey on Drug Abuse found that 11.7 million Americans, approximately 6 percent of the population 12 years or older, used drugs in 1993. That number is slightly higher than the 11.4 million who admitted drug use in 1992.

Use of illegal drugs hit an all-time high in 1979, when 24.3 million Americans said they were users. Since that time, drug use has declined each year. This year's figures, however, break the 13-year downward trend.

Marijuana is the most common drug, used by 77 percent of the illicit drug users. Cocaine use remained at 1.3 million in 1993, same as 1992. Cocaine use peaked in 1985, when 5.3 million were using the drug.

Although the number of heavy drinkers stayed the same at 11 million, the use of alcohol among 12- to 17-year-olds increased from 16 percent in 1992 to 18 percent in 1993. More than 26 percent of the nation's heavy drinkers also used drugs in 1993, while less than 8 percent of casual drinkers did.

The survey stated teen-agers view drugs as less of a risk than other age groups. In addition to reporting increased use of marijuana, teens indicated that drug use goes hand in hand with smoking and heavy drinking.

Like those surveyed before them, half of the teen-agers said marijuana, cocaine, PCP and heroin posed little risk to their health and safety.

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**Campus Connection Guidelines**

The staff of The *Current Sauce* invites all campus organizations and groups to send announcements for publication in Campus Connection. However, we remind organizations of the guidelines involved. Campus Connection submissions must be brought to Rm. 225 Kyser Hall by noon on the Monday before publication. All submissions should be **less than 100 words** and subject matter should pertain solely to **meetings, announcements and upcoming activities**. Birthday greetings, congratulations and/or product advertisements should be submitted as paid classified ads. For more information contact *The Current Sauce* at 357-5456.

**Greeks Assisting Greeks**

Greeks Assisting Greeks will meet at 5 p.m. tomorrow in Rm. 305 of the Student Union.

**S.P.A.D.A.**

S.P.A.D.A. will meet at 5 p.m. Thursday in Rm. 305 of the Student Union.

**Alpha Kappa Alpha**

The Rhapsody in Pink: Girl Talk 2 will be 8 p.m. today in the Student Union Faculty Lounge.

The 1994 Fall Rush will be 8 p.m. Oct. 11 in the President's Room. Interested ladies should have a 2.5 cumulative and semester GPA and 15 Northwestern credit hours. They should write a letter of interest and forward official transcripts prior to rush to Madeline Valrie, Route 3, Box 13 B, Natchitoches, LA 71457.

One dollar raffle tickets are being sold for a $50 Wal-Mart gift certificate. Drawing is Oct. 1.

The Homecoming Step Off Greek Show will be 8 p.m. Oct. 21 in the intramural building. Advanced tickets are $3. Regular tickets are $5.

**Non-Traditional Student Organization**

The Non-Traditional Student Organization (NTSO) will meet at noon tomorrow in Rm. 221 of the Student Union. Francis Conine, director of the Career/Counseling Center, will be the guest speaker. Also, we will take nominations for secretary.

Bring your lunch and come meet your fellow non-traditional students.

**Student Government and Homecoming Elections**

Elections for student government junior class senators, homecoming court and Mr. and Miss NSU will be tomorrow in Iberville Dining Hall during meal times and Thursday in the Student Union lobby all day. Runoffs will be Oct. 5 and 6. Only full-time undergraduates and graduates may vote. Students must present a valid student identification card to vote.

**Blue Key**

Blue Key will meet at 6:30 p.m. Thursday in Rm. 321 of the Student Union. The attendance policy was announced at the last meeting and will be enforced from now on, so be there. all blotter information must be turned in on Thursday so sell your ads if you haven't done so. This is very important. Yearbook pictures are coming up soon so check the times. Call Clay Gardner at 352-8827 if you have any question.

**Omega Psi Phi**

Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Incorporated is holding a smoker at 7:30 p.m. Thursday in the President's Room in the Student Union. You must have at least a 2.5 GPA to submit an application for membership, but all interested are still encouraged to attend. We are looking for some strong-minded young brothers to carry on the tradition of the true Omega man.

**NAFCS**

The Northwestern Association of Family and Consumer Science will have its first meeting at 2 p.m. Thursday in the Alumni Room of the Family and Consumer Science Building. Members will install new officers and discuss the organization's recycling program. All majors of this department are encouraged to attend for a chance to win a $5 student membership in completion of the NAFCS membership drive.

**Nursing majors**

Attention nursing majors. The NLN exam time has changed from 12 to 4 p.m. to 1 to 5 p.m. Sept. 30, 1994 in Rm. 138 Kyser Hall.

**The NSU International Film Series**

The NSU International Film Series presents Carlos Saura's *El Jardin de las Delicias* (The Garden of Delights) at 7 p.m. Friday in Rm. 142, Studio A, Kyser Hall. This complex and darkly humorous film, focusing on a cruel family's attempts to force an amnesia victim into remembering the number to his Swiss bank account, is a disturbing, surrealistic portrait of the frustration caused by helplessness. This 1970 film is in Spanish with English subtitles. The NSU International Film Series is sponsored by the Louisiana Scholars' College, the Department of Telecommunications and Journalism and the Department of Language and Communication. Admission is free.

**KNWD 91.7 FM**

KNWD 91.7 FM plays urban music: rap, jazz, hip hop, R&B and gospel. Urban music is played Mondays 9 p.m. to 6 a.m., Tuesdays 11 p.m. to 6 a.m., Wednesdays 9 p.m. to 6 a.m., Thursdays 11 p.m. to 6 a.m., Fridays 9 p.m. to 6 a.m., Saturdays, and Sundays 9 p.m. to 6 a.m. Tune in and listen to your favorite radio personalities Sweet K.D., D.J. Ecstasy, D.J. Mysterious, D.J. Spice, D.J. Double A, Chocolate, D Nice, Tenderoni, D.J. Brax and D.J. Chill. For more information call Antwonne Lane, urban music director.

**Purple Jackets**

The Purple Jackets will meet at 7:30 a.m. tomorrow in Rm. 321 of the Student Union.

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The *Current Sauce* will have a mandatory staff meeting for all staff writers, editors, photographers, columnists, layout personnel and Journalism 2020 students at 5 p.m. tomorrow in Rm. 225 Kyser Hall. Assignments and staff handbooks will be given out.

# TENURE: Students upset over professor's departure

*Continued from front page*

community, Therien said, "... I want to make clear that I leave the Scholars' College, which I joined in its second year, with deep regret and against my will."

Therien also said, "They (administrators at the College and at the University) came to this decision despite the unanimous endorsement I received from members of the faculty who were charged with reviewing my performance over the last six years and despite consistently positive evaluations by previous directors of the College. No University committee was involved.... Indeed, I still don't know why I was fired."

Other students felt strongly about the professors being denied tenure, but refused to be identified, fearing retaliation.

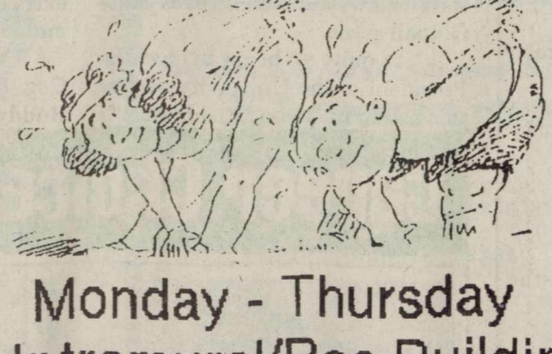
"I also don't agree with the fact that there [were] a lot of changes over the summer that the students and a lot of the faculty were not made aware of," one student at the protest said. "LSC has always had a tradition of students faculty and administration working together and I feel that that is being lost this year."

"I think that they should not deny tenure to these professors, " a junior said. "It could be starting a trend of denying tenure to good professors. If it doesn't get any better by the end of the semester I am going to start to put out applications," a sophomore said. "I'll make my decision next semester."

Therien will be teaching his last classes today. He will be leaving to assume a position as assistant to the academic vice-president at Beloit in Wisconsin. Sturman will be departing at the end of the semester.

"Because of the renovations in Russell," McCalep said. "The student body had dispersed and this a great way for us to come back together."

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# Regional archaeologist investigates possible historic sites

Bridgette Morvant
Heather Urena
*Current Sauce*

Much attention has been given to the coming of the Historic Preservation Center, but Northwestern has been home to a Regional Archaeology Program for the past five years.

According to Jeff Girard, the archaeologist assigned to the lab since its inception, the Louisiana Division of Archaeology, part of the State Department of Cultural Resources, Culture, Recreation and Tourism, created the program.

"Several years ago they [Louisiana Division of Archaeology] only had a small staff in Baton Rouge and people would call them up and ask them about things that they found on their land and they wanted to know if it was important," Girard said.

"Basically, they couldn't tell them much over the phone. They didn't actually have a staff to go and check it out. So, the state archaeologist, who at the time was Dr. Kathleen Byrd (who is now the [social science] department head here), initiated this program where we have regional archaeologists here at Northwestern and also at Northeast [Louisiana University]."

In addition to money from the State Legislature, the National Park Service funds the Regional Archaeology Program through a grant which the University partially matches, according to Girard. The University also provides both office space and general logistical support.

Some of the grant money for the program goes towards the hiring of student workers. Without a staff of his own, Girard said students help in all projects. Over last spring break all the students majoring in anthropology were involved in a project in DeSoto Parish, he said.

Girard said he spends about 50 percent of his time in the field. He investigates archaeological sites from a 14-parish area covering central and northwestern parishes, especially along the Red River. His specialty is in the pre-history of Louisiana.

"Most of what I do is work with private land owners and answer questions that they have about things that they've found," Girard said. "Also I initiate a lot of the projects myself in areas where we know there are many archaeological sites and they're in danger of being destroyed . . . . I try to find out as much as I can before that happens. Also [I investigate] areas where we know very little about what happened in the past."

Girard uses the Northwestern lab to clean, catalog and preserve the artifacts. Students can view many of the artifacts in Williamson Museum in Kyser Hall. However, large collections of artifacts and the collection of field research are used by scholars.

Through archaeology, information is provided on lifestyles and political background, Girard said.

"The archaeological record of the past is something that is fragile . . . Once it's gone, it's gone," Girard said. "I try to instill a little sensitivity in that regard.

"A lot of people just don't realize that — they find a few Indian artifacts or historic artifacts and they just don't know whether or not this is something that is important for learning about the past or not.

"And I try, that if there is something there, to tell them, 'Yes, this is something important and any steps you can make to preserve what you have will be helpful to everybody in Louisiana.'"

In addition to his work in the field, Girard spends a lot of time maintaining site records and preparing his annual report. Girard also travels around the state lecturing to school children and amateur archaeology groups.

On Sept. 30 he will lecture at the Sabine Parish Library on the "Archaeology of Toledo Bend Reservoir" as part of Louisiana Archaeology Week 1994. Archaeology Week (Sept. 25 - Oct. 1) is an attempt to bring public attention to archaeology.

## NSU Theater gets ready for Thursday performance of *A Chorus Line*

# One singular sensation

Hank Cannon
*Current Sauce*

Michael Bennet's *A Chorus Line* is a show of realism. The show, which deals with the life of Broadway chorus dancers, requires little in scene design, costume creation, as compared to other shows such as *She Stoops to Conquer*, *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, and the upcoming *Romeo and Juliet*.

The original show was first staged in 1975, and it possesses a lot of 70s images and memories. For the Northwestern production Ed Brazo, director and choreographer, modernized the show, bringing it into the 90s. The basic issues of the show, including plastic surgery, homosexuality and inter-business relationship dynamics, are intact. Only some names and a few dates have been changed to reflect that this is taking place in the 90s. The costumes had to be updated to go with the times.

"I totally `90-fied' it," Sharon Foster, costume designer for the Department of Creative and Performing Arts said. "It's very 70s, if they updated the dates then why not the costumes."

According to Foster, most of the costumes were things that many of the cast already had in their possession. Because the characters are at an audition they have to dress to be noticed and be tasteful.

"Really the thing is getting all of them a good look and to look good at the same time without drawing focus," Foster said. "The most problems came with finding a rental company for the finale costumes."

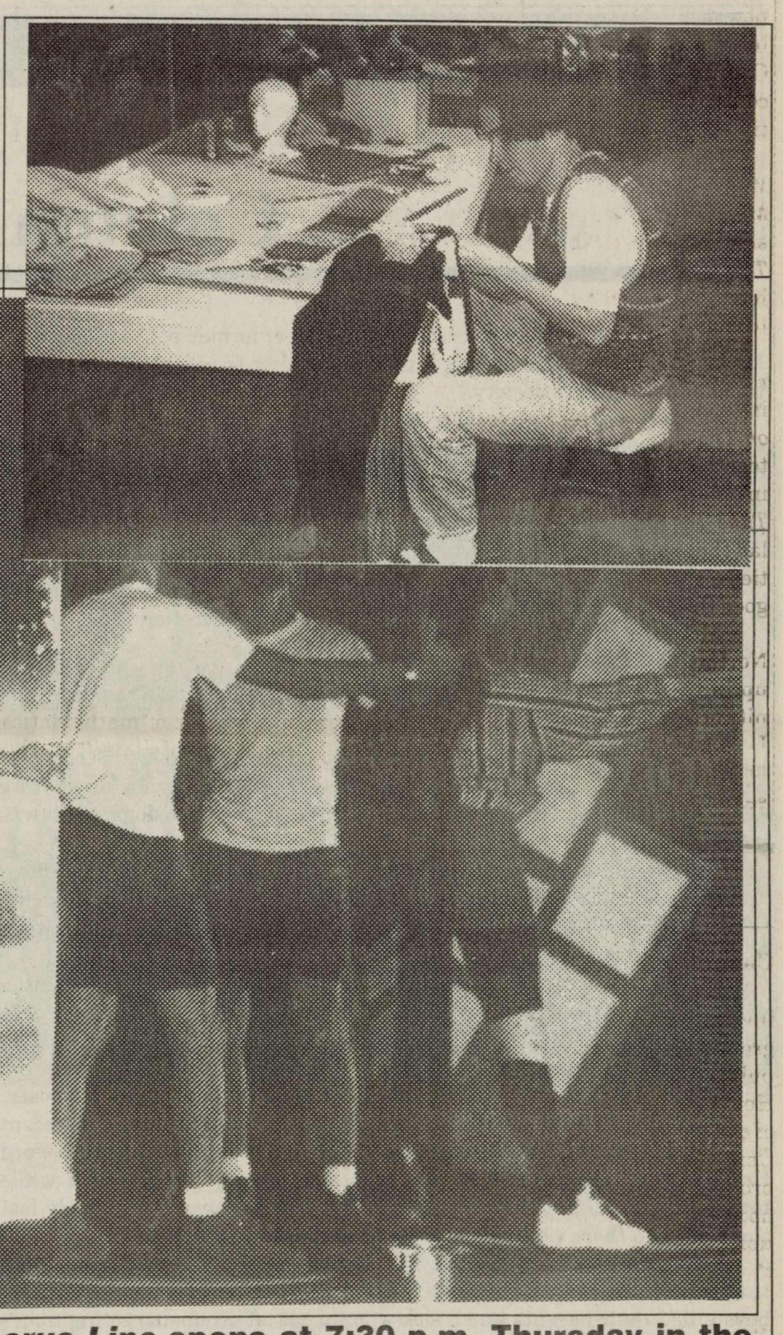
The primary scenery is a system of mirrors at the rear of the stage. Made from stretched and heated mylar borrowed from Carbondale in Illinois, which staged the play this summer. The mirrors can be pivoted so a black matte faces the audience. There is also a third backing depicting a surrealistic New York cityscape which will be presented to the audience during the finale.

Much of the show's mood changes depend on the lighting. Designed and implemented by student workers and David Schmidt, technical director for the department of creative and performing arts, the lighting scheme will enable the audience to differentiate between the reality of the audition and the surreality of the characters' musings.

When this show is usually performed, a musical ensemble complete with brasses, electric guitar and bass, and an organ is used to provide music. Northwestern's production will feature the usage of musical digital interface technology (Midi). Faren Raborn, associate voice professor and musical director for *A Chorus Line*, programmed all of the major musical numbers into the computer note by note.

Some of the background music will be played live on the piano by Terry Byars because of timing with dialogue. According to Raborn, Midi was used because an ensemble of the necessary size could not be assembled due to the demands of football season. The computer is going to be bolstered by the addition of external percussion, electric guitar, and a couple of trumpets and trombones. The result is a huge sound from a small group.

"It's not that different from working with an orchestra," Rayborn said. "If we were using an orchestra, the cast would rehearse with a piano up until the week before the show, then the orchestra would be brought in."



**Members of the crew practice taking cues for flipping mirrors(above). Randy Thompson, sophomore, works on costumes for the upcoming production (inset).**

***A Chorus Line* opens at 7:30 p.m. Thursday in the A.A. Fredricks Auditoium and will only run through Friday. For ticket information, call 357-5814.**

# Behind the scenes action is a must for show to go on

Heather Urena
*Current Sauce*

Putting on a production requires more than just actors, singers and dancers.

A good performance also requires people to design the show and produce the show. Production requires a lot of time, experience and dedication.

The department offers a class in stage craft, but the course only exposes theater majors to the work involved. According to Kim Howard, a senior and stage manager for *A Chorus Line*, and Allison de Leon, a junior and assistant stage manager, production has to be learned by jumping in "feet first."

"They can't teach you in a book how to cut a board," Howard said. "You've got to get your hands on the saw."

"You learn as you do it," de Leon said.

A normal production requires a costumer, technical director, director, assistant director, stage manager, assistant stage manager, lighting board operator, sound operator, sound and light designers and runners.

Several members of the production team must sit through rehearsals and take blocking notes to be prepared for the final product. According to de Leon, blocking is keeping track of all movement done on stage.

Some of the things Howard and de Leon have to manage are lighting cues, scene changes and properties.

"Everything that's going on, every aspect of a show, we're aware of it," de Leon said.

"A stage manager usually is a person who is an actor also, because you've got to know what it's like to be on stage to be a technician."

The stage manager and assistant stage manager must know the show "backwards and forwards" so, in case of a problem on stage, they must be able to replace an actor without anyone in the audience knowing.

The stage manager also focuses on the overall picture from the booth, and the assistant stage manager handles who or what goes on and off the stage.

"Every time the lights go up or go down, that's her giving the cues," de Leon said.

"I came here for acting," de Leon said. "I got a scholarship for acting, but I switched to technical theater because I like that better," de Leon said.

Both agreed that they enjoy acting, but working with production is more likely to keep them employed—and possibly get their feet in the door.

"We're both up here to be on stage actually. That's what we're both here for, but in theater you can't just rely on getting every show," Howard said. "You're not going to get cast. You have to fall back on what you can do.

"I think my first love is to be on stage, of course, that's anybody's. Only when a show like *A Chorus Line* comes up and you don't sing or dance, well, you've got to take what you can take."

"If you're an actor/singer/performer, then you've got it made," de Leon said.

De Leon is a master carpenter and a master electrician. This past summer she became certified in stage combat. She did this to benefit her position in production — rather than for use as an acting credential.

"You don't make a lot of money doing this kind of thing (summer stock productions). You're really scraping."

Howard said most actors and performers have to wait tables, tend bar or work the night shift at gas stations because they have to have a job that is flexible for auditioning. "The money comes where the work is," Howard said.

# Hill becomes sixth University police officer to win 'officer of the year' honor

Jeff Cryer
*Current Sauce*

The Louisiana University Police Association named Scotty Hill, a Northwestern police officer, State Officer of the Year.

Hill is from Coushatta where he resides with his wife, two sons and a daughter.

He attended Louisiana College for three years before becoming a police officer. He trained at the Bossier Parish Community College Police Academy and continues to return yearly for required service training.

"Officer Hill is a big asset to our department," Rickie Williams, University police chief, said. "He is willing to go above and beyond what is required to do his job."



**Hill**

Hill has been a member of the Northwestern police force since 1992. He formerly worked for the Coushatta and Alexandria police departments before coming to Northwestern.

Hill credits Northwestern's progressive department and good equipment as reason for coming here.

"The police department and its officers receive good backing from the administration and Chief Williams, and you need that to have a successful police department," Hill said. "Chief Williams tries to get us the most modern and updated equipment available."

As an example, Hill used the hand-held computers that print parking tickets. The computers make it easier and quicker to issue a ticket and to identify a vehicle with any past violations.

Hill said the Northwestern police department is a bona-fide police department and is capable of conducting investigations and performing arrests, among other responsibilities. Hill was nominated by his department and attended the state convention held in Ruston this year. He was named State Officer of the Year following an interview at the convention.

No other university police department in the state has had the success of Northwestern in recent years, having five of the past six State Officers of the Year.

Past winners from Northwestern include Det. Sgt. Doug Prescott (1989), Officer Bill Dickinson (1990), Officer Joey Cox (1991) and Officer Sonia Robinson (1992).

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# NSU students: processed, reprocessed

**Heather Urena**

## Circus Act

I wonder if it is possible for the entire enrollment of Northwestern to join efforts, use the free legal advice from student services and file a class action suit against the school for false advertising. Because "where the students come first" cannot possibly be an accurate reflection of this campus.

Think about it. Faculty have convenient parking set aside, even some closer than handicap parking. Some bathrooms are labeled "faculty." Why is it necessary to have separate facilities—especially when we are all adults?

If students come first, why is the financial administration split into so many bureaucratic levels? In order to receive a pre-printed loan check disbursement, the check is mailed to the university, diverted through the nice ladies in financial aid for *processing* (what does that mean?), taken to the cashier's office and re*processed* before a student actually receives a check in hand.

At the cashier's office, one would expect to be able to have an exchange of money for several different purposes. The cashier's office allows you to pay fees or fines and pick up checks, but a student has to go to the bookstore if he or she wants to cash a check—for no more than $25. And if you have a credit on your account, you have to request the financial aid office to have a check printed that will go through more processing, so at a later date you make pick it up—in the cashier's office.

I guess that the purpose of this running around is to make people so tired of fighting and waiting in line, that many give up, the lines are a little shorter although not short at all and the money stays in the Northwestern account to earn a few more pennies... (How much do all of our pennies together earn?).

If students come first, then none of us would have to go back and forth between Roy Hall every time we want to make a schedule change. The cards would be available in every department head's office and could go through campus mail.

Northwestern pays more attention and more money to incoming freshmen—especially to those fresh from high school— than to its older students. Look at the scholarship brochure put out by financial aid, and see how many of the listed awards are designated for freshmen. What? Are students just supposed to quit school or go into enormous debt once becoming sophomores?

Students come first...when it's convenient. It's more convenient to have students run back and forth between department head offices, the Union, the cashier and Roy Hall than to handle things efficiently and in one place—or at least in close proximity.

God forbid the administration, that ominous whole of shifting blame, to make things easier on the students who supply the tuition and fees and the residents of this state who supply the money from taxes. That would make education too much like a business dependent on supply and demand.

Northwestern students have access to many services, but since not enough information is supplied about the wide range of facilities available money is wasted and students are cheated.

The people who supply money demand attention and good quality education. But its difficult to get the best use out of the school services and facilities if we are unaware or exhausted from running from building to building searching for the one person who can answer any questions. But don't do it from noon to 1 p.m. Everyone on campus takes lunch then. You might as well shut down the campus, if not the cafeteria.

Maybe Northwestern could avoid any discrepancies and possible action by changing the slogan to "where the students come first... when it's convenient."

# Media Madness

**Jason Steiner**

## Column

After many people witnessed the suicide of former police officer Paul Broussard on live television, it is once again time to reevaluate the role of the media in today's society.

One of Alexandria's local television stations had been with the situation all of the morning on Sept. 15. Broussard had shot his estranged wife early in the morning in the Alexandria Courthouse and had moved outside, still with gun in hand. The television station decided to go live with its coverage from a building across the street.

Many people watched the drama unfold before their very eyes. We watched Broussard talk with negotiators for what seemed like hours on end. The reporter covering the story warned of viewer discretion as we stayed glued to our sets.

Finally, at approximately 11:15 of that fateful day, Broussard shrugged negotiators away for the last time. He sat down and proceeded to take his life in front of the shocked viewers.

Immediately after Broussard committed the fatal act, the reporter pushed the camera away from the scene and began apologizing for what we all had just seen. But it was too late. The damage had been done and it was irreversible.

This poses many questions to the role of the media in today's society. Has the media lost all morals in what scenes they show or are they doing their jobs? Is today's irresponsible media crippling the relations between itself and the public?

Ever since our esteemed and morally upstanding President Bill Clinton was inaugurated, the social and moral values of the press and the nation have obviously been lowered. Slandering and ruining reputations have seemed to be the backbone of the Clinton regime. The press has taken every advantage of this social demoralization for their own dastardly purposes.

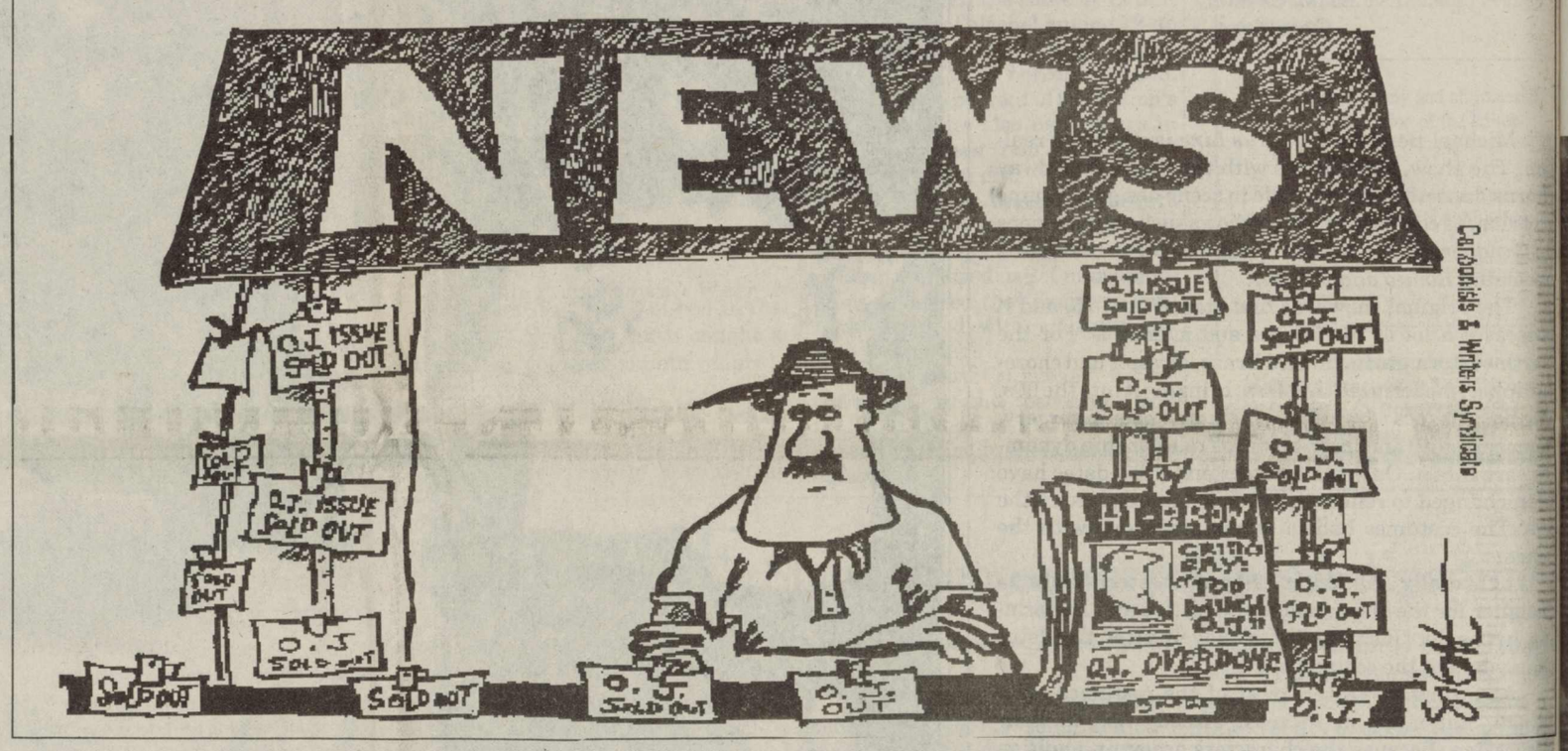
Just look at some of the scenes the public has witnessed in recent months, namely the O.J. Simpson case. Ever since the now infamous Ford Bronco chase, the press has kept constant coverage on Simpson while totally disregarding the true tragedy. The true sadness is somebody lost their life and there really have been no angles to that effect.

Look also at the Menendez and Bobbitt trials. The two trials were turned into circuses. All the while the real stories were two obviously guilty boys killed their parents and a sick woman cut off an unsuspecting man's penis. The press perceived the perpetrators as victims themselves, and these incorrigibles of society were given walking papers by the public.

Thankfully, there is some hope. The public has begun to realize the press' failing morals and have started to interpret things through their own eyes. As more and more of the public begins to realize this, the press will have to improve their relations with their audience. More truthful and objective writing will start.

There is an obvious decay in the morals of the press and society. Watchdogs such as Rush Limbaugh have tried to keep the media on it toes to responsible journalism. The main focus to bring the press back to clean reporting is the public. Once everyone stands up and says, "I've had enough," the press will realize the incorrect path it has chosen.

Until then, independent thinking is the only as an individual can interpret today's society. Don't bet anyone, especially the press, tell you how to behave or think. That's what your mind is for.




TORRANCE D. CHISM
*SAB Concert Committees Chairman*

I am hereby declaring my resignation from the Student Activities Board effective immediately. All responsibilities and duties of the office held are hereby denounced, active September 6, 1994.

It is with regret that I have come to this decision, but also with great pride, and with deep motivation. When I was selected to reside over this honorable position, there was a challenge involved. I was well informed that all students on this campus didn't have a venue to voice their opinions and thoughts. Through this office, I deeply intended to give those students a well deserved ear.

During the course of the last meeting, I was railroaded into a decision I didn't make. This just went to show me that not only did the students not have a voice, but I being a minority on this board did not have one. A decision was made to bring in this group for the concert, but the decision to do so was not my decision. I didn't even bring the motion to the floor for vote, that was done by someone else. If I was to be selected for this position, then the duties therefore should have been bestowed upon me also.

If that is the way in which the SAB intends to run its organization, then I will definitely not be a part of it. There will also be a write up of this in the *Current Sauce*, and a letter sent to Dr. Alost.



## Forum

Letters to the editor should be no more than 500 words and must include the signature of the author, the author's classification, major and phone number for fact verification. Letters must be in good taste, truthful and free of libel, malice and personal controversy. Inclusion of any and all material is left to the discretion of the editor.

DONALD TALLEY
*Freshman, NSU*

There are a great many injustices facing each and every one of us in this society today. I find it very hard sometimes to just go on, while knowing that I will be the target for many arrows of sorrow, pain, prejudice and hate.

Everyone told me that, "College is different than here, you will meet people that are highly intelligent, and those same prejudices will not be experienced." It is that quote my mother said to me that makes me go fighting.

But, it is here at Northwestern State University, that I have been robbed, mistreated, lied on, falsely accused by policemen, called a nigger and black bastard, given numerous amounts of parking tickets for there not being enough parking spaces on campus and even denied a job opportunity because of faculty foul-ups. I had my so-called constitutional rights infringed upon frequently.

I recently applied for the station manager position at KNWD. I was denied an interview, because the faculty and student workers of the media department of NSU, which oversees the position's fulfillment, didn't have any applications so they said, and told me the incorrect time and day of the application deadline.

How does this sound to you? I am sick and tired of doors being closed in my face without me even seeing them open. This really brings into question what I'm really supposed to learn here at NSU.

My application was rejected because it was turned in late. But it would not have been turned in late if there had been applications available and had the incorrect deadlines not been given. To top that off the Media Board, which rejected my application, chose a candidate who isn't fully qualified.

Where do you go when, in every direction you turn there is a brick wall that says, "YOU DON'T MATTER."

THOMAS H. WORSHAM, IV
*Senior, Sociology Shreveport*

Another semester has started here at NSU. It has been an eventful one so far. The highlight of this semester by far is the opening of the Wal-Mart Supercenter (The Six Flags of Natchitoches).

Now I must admit that the place is very awesome in appearance and it is a relief to many residents fighting the local price wars on food. However, this letter is not about the Wal-Mart price wars on food. However, this letter is not about the Wal-Mart Supercenter, it is about that eyesore called the Keyser Avenue Bridge.

It is time to get rid of that structural nightmare and replace that bad boy with a new five-lane bridge. This is 1994 not 1894, and a new industrial revolution is beginning in Natchitoches.

I do realize that this letter may upset some of those folks at the National Historical (Hysterical) Society .... but it is time to catch up with the rest of civilization and start moving on towards the future.

My family is from Natchitoches and I am all for the preservation of history, but I do have enough common sense to know that when the town was expanding back in the years of the horse and buggy, they were more than happy to build roads, bridges and even overpasses for that "evil" invention of the automobile. What if some people rallied together back in the old days and said, "No, we are not going to allow a railroad to move into town, or build highways, or create Sibley Lake or pour I-49. This would destroy the heritage of our community."

What if I-49 was never built? It has been a major factor in the increase of enrollment here at NSU during the past five years, as well as a source of economic prosperity for the city. The point is some residents want to have a big city and others a small community.

Can there be a compromise in the same place? Yes. New Orleans has managed to keep its heritage and become a major industrial and economic power with tourism. Why can't Natchitoches? What is wrong with Natchitoches becoming a big city?

If Natchitoches wanted to maintain a historical small-town look, than it should never allowed major expansion programs like the Supercenter to be built here — along with the filming of *Steel Magnolias*, the opening of a Shoney's, the building of a mall and of course the world-famous Natchitoches Christmas Festival.

I know that the city of Natchitoches and its businesses do not want to see the Christmas festival canceled due to the headache of large crowds and traffic. Who wants to come to a parade and fireworks if they cannot get to them? People will get tired of two-hour-long traffic jams. They may not return. Tourists go home and they talk.

Natchitoches is growing and that scares some people. I understand that change is scary and it is an adjustment, but change is also inevitable. Do something now before it's too late.

Is the city of Natchitoches going to wait until the sacred shrine collapses and kills someone? This would create more problems than before with law suits and the main fact of no bridge at all. Is Natchitoches willing to take unnecessary risks before measures are taken to construct a new bridge.

I am sure that the founders of Natchitoches would not mind if we tore down one small bridge to make it easier for its residents and visitors to move on the future and possibly a bright and better tomorrow.

Natchitoches is becoming a boom town of opportunities and business. It is time to expand and to change into a bigger pair of clothes. We have outgrown our britches and our bridges.

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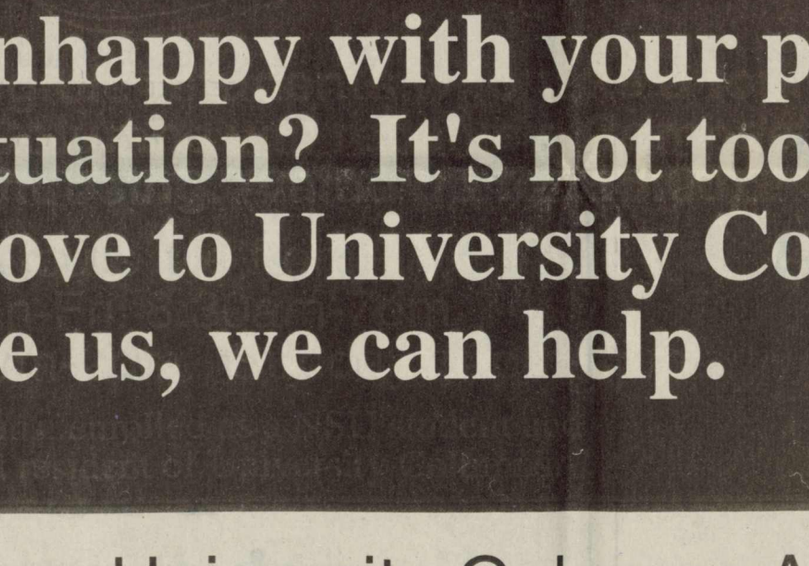
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MINUTES FOR THE NORTHWESTERN STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION MEETING 9/20/94

The meeting was called to order by President of the Senate Wendy Crochet. The pledge was led by Amy Dafler and the prayer was led by Jonathan Gauthier. Jonathan Gauthier called roll and Kasey Nunley was not present. A motion was made to approve the minutes as being read and Blair Dickens made an announcement to add Dana Louis to the list of Who's Who nominations. The amendment was seconded, passed, and the minutes were corrected and approved as being read.

Jacinda Averitt called for officer's reports. Clay Gardner said he will give a copy of the buget to each Senator as soon as the copy machine is working.

Jacinda announced that Adam Janik sent a letter asking for a volunteer or volunteers to help or chair a committee for the Homecoming reception. No one volunteered so someone will be appointed. Jacinda also announced that no one is doing office hours and each Senator is to have thirty points each month. A sign up sheet schedule was passed around for Senators to sign up for working the polls during the election. Pictures will be taken Wednesday, September 21 in room 113 Kyser for Junior Senator candidates. Candidates are Shawn Schenyer, Misti Mayeux, and Jeff Burkett. There will be no Senator-at-large election. New Senators-at-large will be sworn in after the election. The election committee meets at 3:30 p.m. Thursday September 22 at the SGA office.

Blair announced that Rick Belles is the new graduate Senator by acclamation. Blair reminded Senators about office hours and that they may be done outside of the office. The election dates will be September 28 in Iberville Dining Hall and September 29 in the Student Union. Runoff dates are October 5 and 6. Misti Mayeux, Shawn Schenyer, and Jeff Burkett will run and only Juniors will be voting in this election.

Melissa Mabou and Paul Ayo volunteered to be on the Committee on Organiizations which meets the first Thursday of every month at 11:00 a.m.

Wendy Crochet announced that Club Sports committee will meet next Monday at 6:30 p.m.

Misti Mayeux gave the SAB report. She talked about the "Thursday Night Live" show that SAB is sponsoring. She also reminded the Senate about the upcoming SAB concert featuring Tim McGraw.

Free Speech Forum will meet Friday September 23 at 3:30 p.m. in 310 of the Student Union. Traffic and Safety committee will meet Thursday September 22 at 5:30 p.m. Academic Affairs chairman Mark Alexander needs to know who is interested in joining the committee.

Under old business, Paul Ayo moved to remove the table on the Bowling Team legislation. It passed unanimously. Jacob Johnson announced that Bowling Team winnings, if any, will go to the University for scholarships. Paul Ayo motioned to approve Bowling Team budget. It was seconded and discussion was called. The Senate voted and result were 14 in favor of legislation giving $4500 to the Bowling Team 2 abstentions the motion passed.

Under new business Maddie moved to open nominations for Homecoming Court and Mr. and Miss NSU. Jacinda read the qualifications for nominees. Homecoming nominations were Kelly Withers, Stephanie Miller, MaryAnn McDaniel, Jacinda Averitt, Ayesha Kennedy, and Kim Kennedy. Mr. NSU nominations included Ricky Darbonne, Mark Rydel, and Clay Gardner. Miss NSU nominations included Angela Lacour, and Mona Ross. Nominations were closed. Senators voted by secret ballot and winners of the SGA nominations were Mona Ross for Miss NSU; Clay Gardner for Mr. NSU; and MaryAnn McDaniel, Jacinda Averitt, and Ayesha Kennedy for Homecoming Court.

Maddie moved to approve Rick Belles as Graduate Senator. Motion was seconded and passed unaimously. Blair swore Rick in as the graduate Senator.

Melissa motioned to approve Jeff Burkett as general manager of KNWD. The motion was seconded and discussion was called. Much questioning took place and many students spoke.

Will moved to go into executive session. Motion passed and the session began at 7:50. Pete moved to close executive session and the senate resumed to the regular meeting at 8:01.

Maddie moved to vote by secret ballot on whether or not the approve Jeff Burkett as general Manager of KNWD. Motion was seconded and passed. Senators voted and results were 17 voted to approve Jeff Burkett, 0 voted in disapproval, and 1 abstention. Motion passed and Jeff Burkett is the new general manager of KNWD.

Wendy asked if there were any special reports, additional new business or announcements. There were none. Pete moved to adjourn and the meeting was adjourned at 8:09 p.m.


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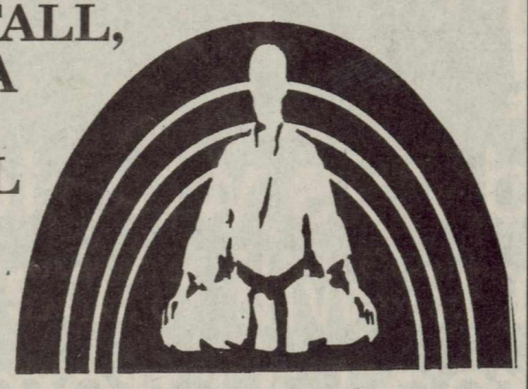
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# JUNIOR SENATOR

## VOTE FOR 2



## SEAN SCHNEYER

Hi, my name is Sean Schneyer. I am currently a junior majoring in physics and Computer science. I am running for Junior Class Senator.

It is my goal to make the SGA more assessible to the student and their needs. I am currently a R.A. in Boozman Dorm; as a R.A. I hear many of the complaints of the students.

It is my hope to be able to do something about these complaints and make Northwestern a palce we can all be proud of. If these goals sound reasonable to you, please vote for me at the elections.

## MISTY MAYEUX

I am seeking reelection for the office of Student Government Association Senator because I enjoy being a voice for my fellow students here at Northwestern.

In my experience as a senator, I have had the opportunity to speak on behalf of my peers on several key issues. Whether they felt that change was necessary or that an old policy should be continued, I listened.

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## JEFF BURKETT

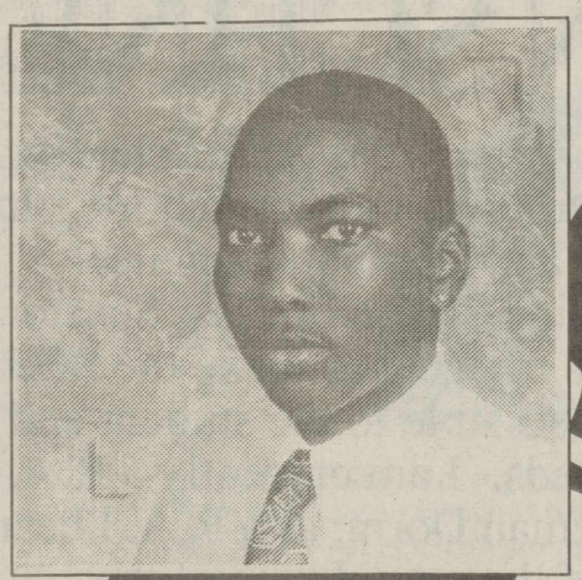
Fellow students, my name is Jeff Burkett, and I am running for the position of Junior Senator. I am seeking this position so that the student will be better informed and have more of a voice in the SGA.

I feel that currently the SGA has been over-run by to many people wanting a positon just for their resume. If appointed I will guarantee that the students' voice and concerns will be felt and not just heard.

Currently I am on the SGA Supreme Court, General Manager of KNWD, and actively involved in Kappa Alpha. Thank you for your support.

# MR. NSU

## VOTE FOR 1

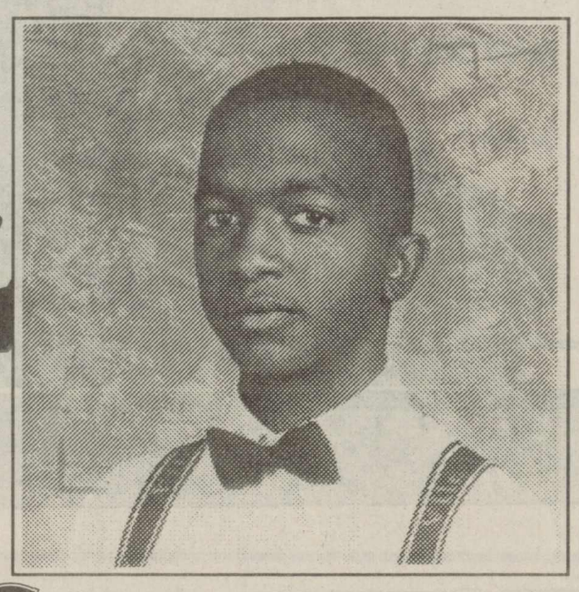


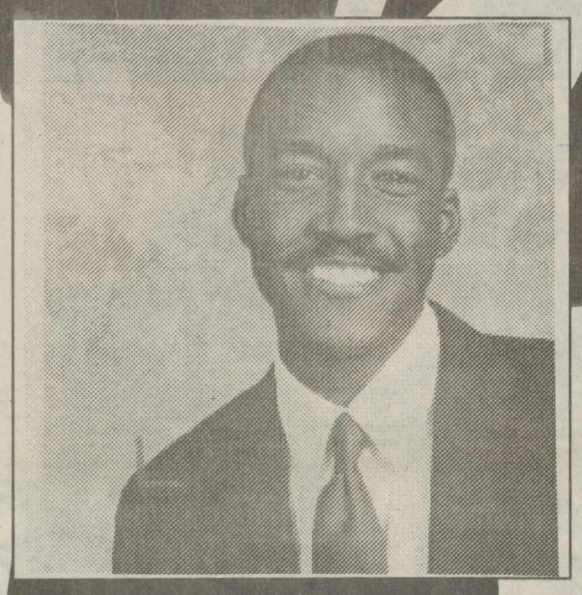
## NIKEO KANEM COLLINS

National Pan-Hellenic Council President
Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity,Inc.
*President Advisor 1994, President 1993-1994, Vice President 1993, Secretary 1992
Interfraterity Council
*Vice-President and Judical Board Chairman, Scholarship Chairman 1992-1993, Delegate 2 yrs.
National Order of Omega, Blue Key Honor Fraternity, Student Government Association-Supreme Court Justice, Greek Council 1993, Senior Resident Assistant-3 yrs. Louisiana Residential Leadership Conference Delegate 1993, Southwestern Black Student Leadership Conference Delegate 1994, IM Sports Ambassador and Official 1993, Black Student Association, NAACP-NSU Chapter 1992-1993, Northwestern Louisiana Literary Rally-NSU Host 1994, Presidential Merit Scholarship, Presidentoal Excellence Scholarship, NASA-JOVE Scholar-4 yrs.

## ROBERT CARTER III

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraterity, Inc.
*President 1994, Conventional Delegate 1994, Sergeant-at-Arms 1993, Parliamentarian 1992, Reporting Secretary 1993, Editor to Sphinx Magazine 1993
Interfraterity Council
*Vice president 1994, Junior Delegate 1992-1994
Greek Council 1994, Beta Beta Beta, NSU Track and Field-3 yrs, Veterinary Tech Club 1992, Black Student Association 1992-1994, Pan-Hellenic Council 1992-1994, NAACP-NSU Chapter, Food and Housing Committee 1993-1994, Intramural Sports Ambassador





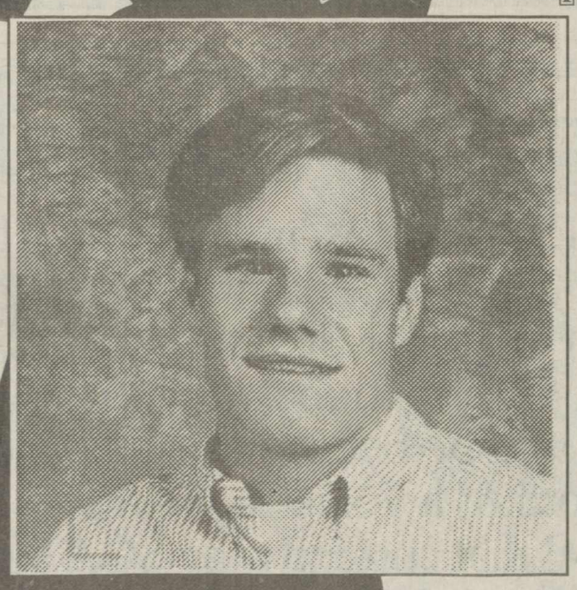
## BLAIR DICKENS

Student Government Association
*President 1993-1994; 1994-1995
Senator-at-Large 3 yrs, Supreme Court 1990
Council of Student Body Presidents; President 1993; State Chairman 1994
Theta Chi Fraternity
*Second Guard 1993-1994, First Guard 1994
Potpourri Yearbook Staff Staff Editor 1992-1993, Blue Key Honor Fraternity, SPADA, Black Student Association, Interfraternity Council Secretary/Treasurer, Lead Resident Assistant, College Democrats , Native American Students Association ; Treasurer 1992-1993, NAACP/NSU Chapter , Baptist Student Union , Freshman Council , Pre-Law Society , Gavel Club President , Soccer Club , Yell Leader
University Committee: Traffic and Parking Commitees, Disciplinary Appeals Commitee, Calendar Committee, Curriculum Review Council, Alumni Board-Student Representative.

## CLAY GARDNER

Kappa Sigma Fraternity
*Plegde Class Vice-President, Fall 91; Scholarship Chairman Spring 94-present; Tresurer 92-94; Vice-President 94-present, 91-94
Scholarship/Leadership Award;Greek Man of the Year Award, Spring 93, Active of the Year Award, Fall 93
Student Government Association
*College Quiz Bowl Chairman, Treasurer, 93 & 94,
Interfraternity Council President 93-present, Blue Key Honor Fraternity, National Order of Omega Vice-President 93-present, Pre-Law Society Vice-President 94-present, Pre-Law Society Vice-President, Phi Eta Sigma Honor Society President 92-93, Presidential Leadership Program, Residential Assistant (Boozman Hall), Presidential Honors Scholarship, Outstanding Student Award, Louisiana Tuition Assistance Plan, SGA Scholarship





## ADAM JANNIK

Theta Chi Fraternity
*Chaplain, Social Chairman, Philanthropy Chairman, Intramural Participant, National Convention Delegate
Student Activities Board
*Special Event Chairman, Representative-at-Large, Concert Committee, Public Relations and Advertising Committee
Safety Advisor(Alpha Eta Rho and Northwestern Flight Team), NSU Soccer Club and Team Captain, Blue Key National Honor Fraternity, Student Government Association Traffic Appeals Commitee, Catholic Student Organization, Freshman Connection Student Volunteer, Dean's List.

## BRANDON TAYLOR

National Order of Omega
*President 1994, Secretary 1993
Kappa Alpha Order
*President 1993, Parlimentarian 1992, Rush Chairman 1993-1994, Fundraising Chairman 1993, Social Chairman 1993, T-Shirt Chairman 1993, Special Olympics Chairman, Convivium Chairman, Alumni Relations Committee 1993, National Leadership Institute-2 yrs, State Province Council-2 yrs, Best Plegde of the Year 1992
Greek Council 1993, Greeks Assisting Greeks 1993, Student Activities Board- Style Show Participant, NSU Senior Day/Junior Day Participant, IM Participant 1992-1994



# MISS. NSU

## VOTE FOR 1



## ALICIA C. COUSINS

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.
*Ivy Leaf Reporter 1990-1991, Rush Committee
Spokeperson & Model for Nubian Cosmetic for Black expo, New Orleans, 1993
Lady Demon Track Team
*All Conference 1992, Athletic Scholarship 1989
National Collegiate Athletic Association Schoalrship Degree Completion Award
Black Student Association, Housing and Food Service Committee 1993-1994, Pan-Hellenic Committee, Beta Beta Beta Honor Fraternity, Homecoming Court 1992 Nominee 1993, Demon Doll 1991-1992, NAACP/NSU Chapter 1992-1993, Intralmural Appeals Council, House Director-Summer 1994, Lea Resistent Assistant-Dodd Hall

## AYESHA L. KENNEDY



Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.
*President 1994, Ivy Leaf Reporter 1993-1994
Historian 1993, Scholarship Chairperson
Student Activities Board
*Representative-at-Large 1992, Special Events Chairperson 1993
Fine Arts Chairperson 1993, Outstanding Committee Member-
3 Consecutive yrs
National Order of Omega, National Blue Key Honor Fraternity, Northwest Louisiana Literary Rally NSU Hostess 1992 & 1993, NAACP/NSU Chapter 1992-1993, Pan-Hellenic Council Vice-President 1994, Southwestern Black Student Leadership Conference Delegate 1992-1993, Homecoming Court Nominee 1991 & 1993, Army ROTC Scholarship Recipient 1990-1992, Resident Assistant 1991-present



## ANGELA LACOUR

Phi Mu Fraternity
*Membership Director, House Director
Chapter Development Chairman, Ritual Chairman
Most Courteous Phi Mu Award
Potpourri Yearbook Staff Student Life Editor and Greek Editor, Rho Chi, Assistant Director of Panhellenic Rush, Kappa Delta Pi, Alpha Mu Gamma, National Order of Omega, Assistant Director of NSU Cherrleader Clinic 1994 Kappa Alpha Ordr-Rose 1992, Freshman Connector 1993 & 1994 Friendliest Connector Award 1993

## MELISSA LEIGH MABOU



1993 Miss Northwestern Lady of the Bracelet
*2nd Runner up-Miss Louisiana
Student Government Association
*Senior Senator 1994, Junior Senator 1993, Senator-at-Large,
Election Board, Environmental Awareness and Traffic and Safety Committee
Sigma Sigma Sigma Sorority Ritual Chairperson, Pan-Hellenic Association Vice President, Presidential Ambassador 1993-1994, Presidential Leadership Program 1991-1992, Purple Pizazz Pom Pon Line 1991-1993, Dean's List 1991-1993, Student Activities Board, Homecoming Court, Rho Chi 1994, Freshman Connector 1994, National Order of Omega 1994, Pre-Law Society President 1994, Gavel Club 1994, Purple Jacket 1994, Catholic Student Organization1991-1994 Church Lector 1992-1994, NSU Committee on Organization, Varnado Dorm Council 1992-1993



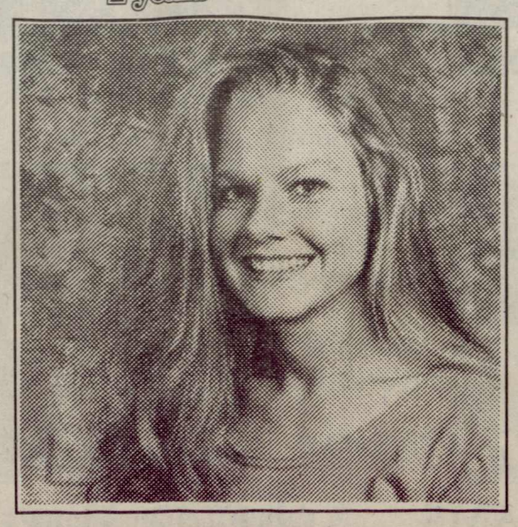
## RAMONA MICHELLE REED

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.
*President
Student Government Association
*Senior Class Senator
Outstanding Service Award
Louisiana National Guard-Second Lieutenant
Lead Resident Assistant-Sabine Dorm
Greek Council
Black Student Association
Spirit Award-Louisiana Association of Housing Officers

## MONA ROSS



Sigma Sigma Sigma Sorority
IM Chairman-Fall 1994, Sisterhood Chairman-Spring 1993
Student Activities Board
*Parliamentarian-Fall 1994
Special Events Chairman-Spring 1994
Representative-at-Large Fall 1993
Freshman Connector 1993 & 1994, Homecoming Court 1993, Lady of the Bracelet 4th Runner up 1994, Dean's List 4 yrs, Baptist Student Union Committee Greeks for Christ-Fall 1994, Purple Jackets 2 years, SPADA President, Interconnection 3 years, Greeks Assisting Greeks, Intramural Sports Council and Sports Ambassador-Fall 1994, NSU Committee on Organization , Louisiana Education Scholarship, Sabine Dorm Council 2 years

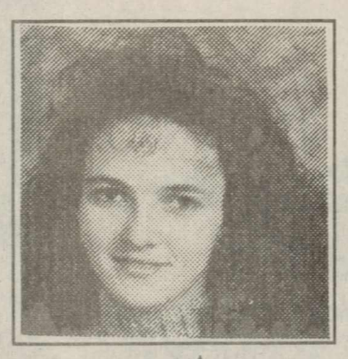


## MIKELYN MICHELLE SMITH

Phi Mu Fraternity
*Treasurer-2 Years
Scholarship Award
Pledge Class Secretary
Scholarship Committee
Cheerleader-4 years CO-Captain 1 year
Alpha Lambda Delta-Vice President
Phi Kappa Phi
Purple Jackets
Presidential Ambassador
National Order of Omega
Baptist Student Union Group Leader
Public Relations Student Society of America

# Homecoming Court Nominees

## Vote for 10



Jacinda Averitt



Becky Bacle



Jennifer Birdwell



Dawn "Nikki" Charleston



Debi Cost



Alicia C. Cousins



Shelly Ruth Davis



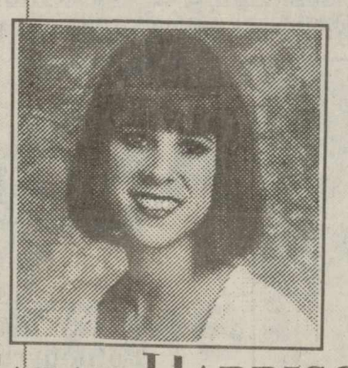
Ashley Ezernack



Vernassa Fields



Jennifer Gilbreath



Sarah Harrison



Rene' Hayward



Angela Hennigan



Martha Hooper



Tandi Hudson



Brigdette Jefferson



Erin Jesse



Ayesha L. Kennedy



Lauren Legendre



Amy Lyddy



Melissa Leigh Mabou



Amy Martinez



Christy Moncrief



Melissa Morgan



Cari Pecquet



Ramona Reed



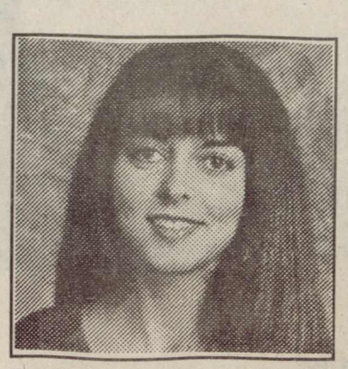
Mona Ross



Mikelyn Smith



Susanna Smith



Jamie St. Pe'



Tara Williams



Kelly Withers

# Educational issues focus of teleconference

LESLIE HENNIGAN
*The Current Sauce*

A group of Northwestern counseling students have been working on a special group project.

They are an ensemble of graduate students in the department of Student Personnel Services. On Friday, September 30, they will be part of the 1994 Interactive Student Learning Teleconference.

The administration of the department are also excited because Northwestern students and faculty will not be the only people involved. They are inviting administrators and student affairs professionals from area schools as far as New Orleans to participate in the program.

The teleconference will be a graduate program in counseling and higher education administration. Student affairs professionals want to make these graduates aware of the issues that are prevalent in today's education system, such as trends on campus and getting students more involved in the learning process. The teleconference will also try to challenge student affair professionals and faculty on putting more emphasis on student learning.

It will try to help school administrators to be conscious of the current and new ways in working in the classroom. During these interactive hours, students and faculty will be able to call in their questions.

The main goal of the administration and graduates of the Student Personnel Services in sponsoring this teleconference is to get those questions answered and help the individual in better understanding the area of student learning.

Registration for all those who attend will be from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. in Keyser Hall, room 149. The Teleconference will be held from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 a.m. in Keyser Hall, Studio A.

# SPORTS TALK: Season looks hopeful for hapless Demons

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long with George Haynes and Marlon Edwards at linebacker are all juniors or sophomores. If the Demons are to bring home the title this season, it will have to ride the defense most of the way.

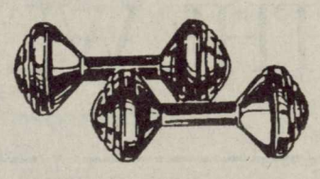
Finally, a championship team needs a championship quarterback, and Northwestern has that type of player in junior Brad Laird. Laird. He jumped into the top ten in several career passing categories last season, and he proved his importance to this football team when he went down the first two games of this year with a shoulder injury. If nothing else, Laird's presence on the field opens the running game for backs Clarence Matthews, Danny Alexander and Terry Williamson. His leadership and experience are valuable assets to an offense that was struggling to make first downs in the first two games. For the Demons to win, Laird has to be healthy and productive.

Most people feel it to be some sort of bad luck to have high hopes for a championship football team around here. But these Demons have shown an interesting quality in the first part of this season. Who knows? If Goodwin's troops can avoid serious injuries, this team has a legitimate shot at the "C" word . . . .

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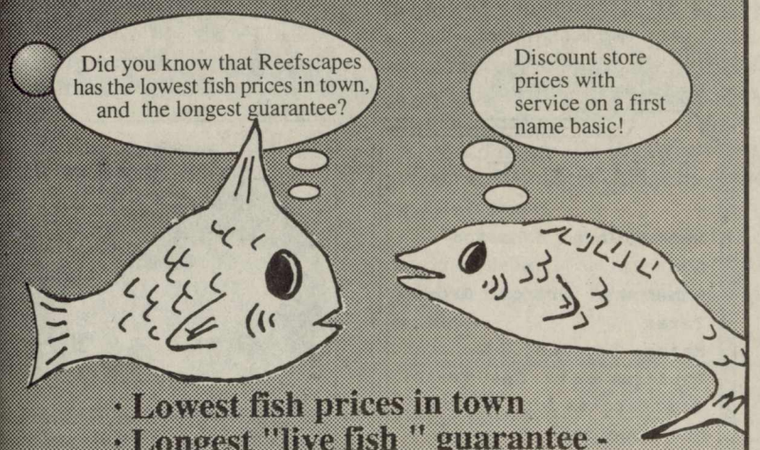

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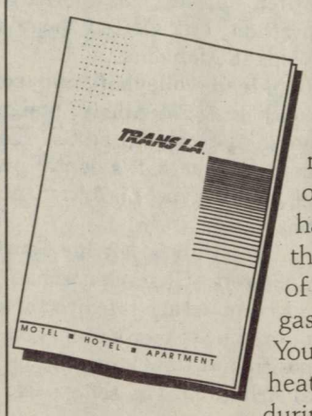
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**A closet isn't always a closet.**
Your water heater or furnace is probably in a closet all by itself. And that's the way it should stay. As tempting as it may be, don't use the space around a water heater or furnace for storage. Even if these major appliances sit in the open, the space around them should be kept clear to insure adequate air circulation.
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# Demons have a chance

## New season brings new hope for SLC crown

It's been five years since the Southland Conference championship banner has flown over Turpin Stadium. Five long years.

Mark it down — you heard it here first. This season has the greatest potential of any for ending the Demons' title drought. There are three glaring reasons why I have put my head on the progniscator's chopping block over the 1994 version of the Northwestern Demons.




For starters, the Northwestern football program has never been noted for its dominating play or tough schedule. On the contrary, the Demons have posted mainly mediocre records against mediocre schedules in the recent past.

But, the change in attitudes of this football team and program begins with the tough schedule for 1994. Already, the Demons have faced a solid Southern squad with as much talent as anyone in Division I-A, particularly on defense. Coming up this Saturday is a matchup against powerhouse Troy State, a team that went deep into the playoffs last season. East Texas State and Delta State were no pushovers, either.

This, of course, doesn't include a conference schedule against defending champ McNeese State and perennial contender Stephen F. Austin, not to mention a revival of the old rivalry with an improved Louisiana Tech program.

Most winning football coaches around the country will tell you that a tough schedule against quality football teams will actually improve their ballclubs. The tougher schedule should not only improve the Demons each week, but open up a few more eyes around the country.

Second, championships are won with defense. How many times have you heard that before? But, the cliche is basically true, especially in this case. The Demon defense has been nothing short of sensational going into this past Saturday's game against East Texas.

In the first three games of the season, the defense had not given up a pure touchdown to anyone. After beating Nicholls, Head Coach Sam Goodwin noted that he didn't think anyone would have scored against the Demons had the offense been able to hang on to the football, and the facts back him up.

Against Southern, both Jaguar touchdowns were scored as a direct result of turnovers deep in Demon territory — an interception and a blocked punt. The only touchdown Delta State could muster was a long fumble recovery, and against Nicholls, the Colonels got nowhere near the Northwestern end zone.

This defense is solid, and the scary thing for conference opponents who face the Demons every year is that it is young.

Linebacker Steve Readeaux and safety Tony Echols are the only seniors in the starting lineup. Standouts Nathan Platt at tackle, Grant Crowder at end

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**SPORTS TALK**

# Demon defense meets its match

Mike Whitmire
*Current Sauce*

For the first time this season, Northwestern's defense ran into an offense it couldn't keep under wraps.

East Texas State quarterback Chandler Evans ripped the Demon defense for four touchdown passes and 219 yards as the Division II Lions stunned Northwestern 28-24 Saturday in Turpin Stadium.

"Their quarterback did a magnificent job of running their offense," Sam Goodwin, Demon head coach, said. "He was probably the difference in the game. He did a terrific job of controlling our defense. I wish he was still at Houston."

Evans sat out last season after transferring from the University of Houston, where he saw limited action.

In the second period, Evans threw his first touchdown pass of the game, breaking a string of 10-straight quarters in which the Northwestern defense hadn't allowed a touchdown.

The string dated back to the opening game of the season with Southern.

"They picked on our defense," Goodwin said. "We never could control their offense and I give them credit. We had them down 14-0 and everything was going great, then we turn the ball over, get some penalties, they go in and score, and we're fighting for our lives after that."

After Kevin Mathis picked off a Brad Laird pass and returned it to the Demon 49, Evans engineered the the Lions' 11-play, 49-yard drive for the game winning score in the fourth quarter.

On the drive, Evans connected on four of six passes, the final one a 6-yard scoring strike to Ben Putnam. Shelby Bruhn's point after gave East Texas State a 28-24 lead.

The Demons had a final opportunity to win the game in the closing minutes, but turned the ball over on downs at the Lion 16 yardline with 49 seconds to play.

Northwestern got possession of the ball on the East Texas State 40 with 1:54 remaining. On the first play, Laird connected with James Brock for a 15-yard gain. On third down from the 25, Patrick Palmer hauled Laird's pass at the 16, and the Demons used their final timeout facing fourth and one.

Clarence Mathews, who scored two touchdowns for the Demons and had 102 yards rushing, tried the right side of the field on the fourth down play but came up short.

Mathews felt he had enough for the first down.

"I honestly believe I got the first down," Mathews said. "And to make things worse the referee moved the ball back some. I think it was a bad call, but it's beyond my authority and we just have to live with it."

After reviewing the film Sunday, Goodwin said the officials were apparently correct.

"He probably didn't make it," Goodwin said. "I still [think] we didn't get the best spot, but after looking at the video I think we got to the 15 but not inside the 15 where we needed the ball."

Laird was 14 for 21 passing for 246 yards with two interceptions and a 78-yard touchdown pass to Jared Johnston, who caught four passes for 120 yards.

George Haynes led the Demon defense with nine tackles, and Nathan Platt and Grant Crowder each had six tackles. Platt made three tackles for lost yardage and Crowder had two.

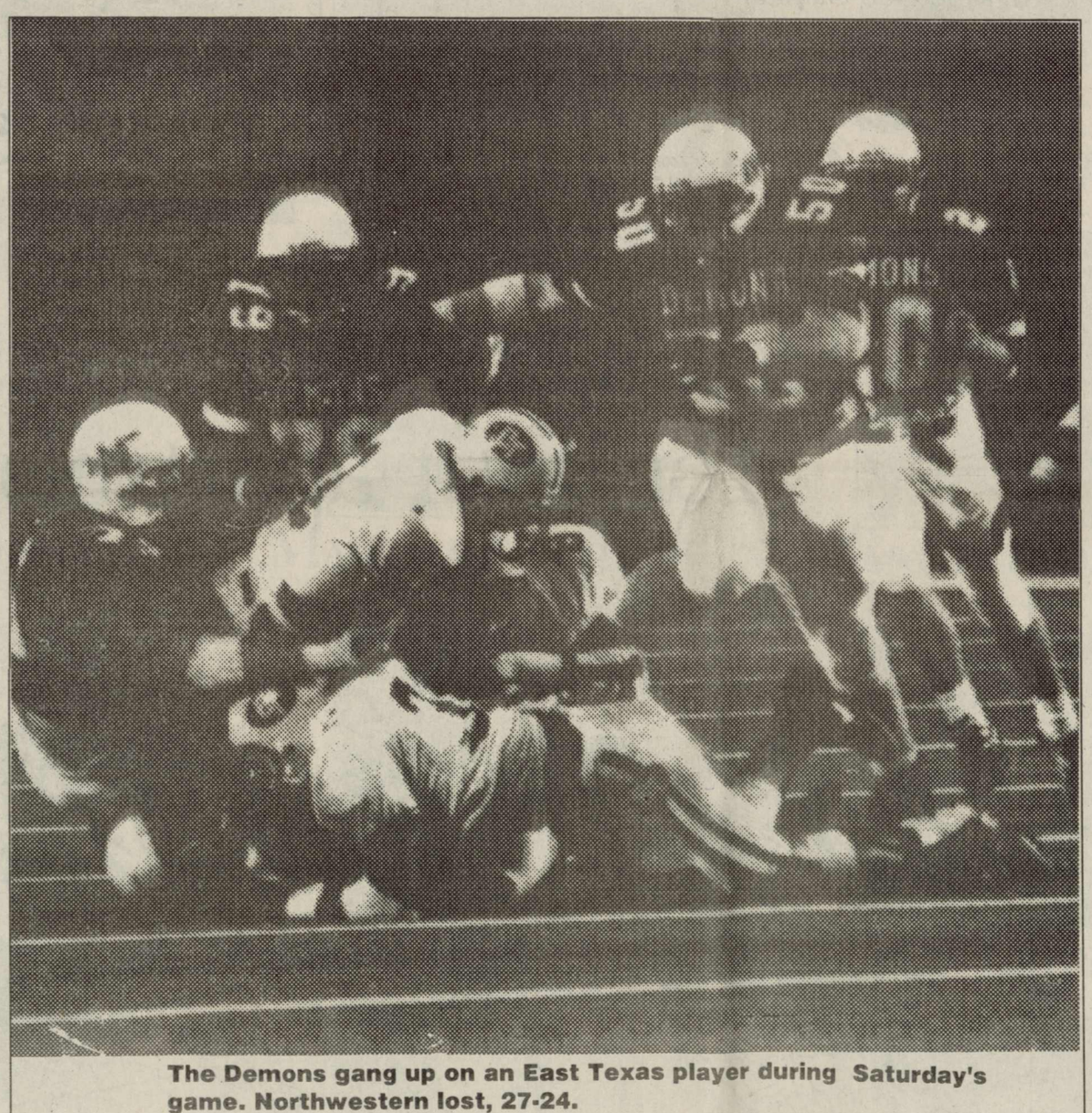
The loss was just Goodwin's third against a Division II school in his 12 years at Northwestern.

East Texas came into the game ranked 18th in the Division II poll.

Northwestern, 1-0 in Southland Conference play and 2-2 overall plays Troy State Saturday.

Laird is looking forward to facing Troy State.

"We're still 1-0 in conference," Laird said. "The big thing is this week's practice. We've got to forget this game, it's over with. We're playing a good team next week and it would be a great way to bounce back.



**The Demons gang up on an East Texas player during Saturday's game. Northwestern lost, 27-24.**

# PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Mike Whitmire
*Current Sauce*

Jared Johnston, who caught four passes for 120 yards Saturday, including a 78-yard touchdown pass from Brad Laird in the third quarter, is The *Current Sauce's* Player of the Week.

The 120-yard performance for Johnston, a senior from Orange Grove, Texas, was his best ever as a Demon.

The 78-yard scoring play actually worked twice in the game, once for what would've been a 56-yard score in the first half, but was called back on a holding penalty.

"I lined up at tight end," Johnston said. "I usually line up at wideout, and Brad just gave a good fake. Everybody thought it was a run, and I was wide open."

East Texas State had shown some tendencies to give up the big play.

"We watched them on film, and their corners and safetys really filled in when it was a run play," Johnston noted. "I lined up a tight end and we kept running the ball and they kept filling in. The coaches saw it and called the play."

Before coming to Northwestern last season, Johnston played at Kilgore Junior College. In 1993 he tied with James Brock for the most receptions, catching 21 passes for 321 yards and two touchdowns.

**Player File**

Name: Jared Johnston
Age: 21
Hometown: Orange Grove, Texas
Major: Physical Education
Performance vs. East Texas: four catches for 120 yards, one touchdown.
1993: Played in all 11 games, catching 21 passes for 321 yards and two touchdowns. He caught five passes for 112 yards vs. Southwest Texas.



# Former NSU coaches: Where are they now?

Mike Whitmire
*Current Sauce*

Tynes Hildebrand, Northwestern State's athletic director, has spent much time over the last year trying to keep positions in the Athletic Department staffed.

Between this season and last, the department had 17 changes, mostly in coaching positions.

"This is unprecedented," Doug Ireland, sports information director, said. "It was a combination of circumstances.

"In the case of men's basketball and football it was primarily a circumstance of losing begets change. Most of the others left for better opportunities."

Hildebrand said the changes made the summer a hectic one.

"I didn't get any time off," he said. "It was unbelievable, usually you can get a few days off in the summer, but this one was quite busy."

Dan Bell, the Demons' men's basketball coach, resigned after six years at the University. He had just one winning season in those six years. Bell is now the head coach at Episcopal High School in Baton Rouge.

The football program had a major turnover, losing five coaches.

Donnie Cox is still employed with the University overseeing the athletic facilities.

Linebacker coach John King and defensive coordinator Randy Huffstickler both left and are at Vidor High School in Texas.

Defensive backs coach Aldon Kelly is now coaching in a Houston-area high school, and running backs coach Scott Stoker is coaching wide receivers at McNeese State.

Demon baseball coach Jim Wells is now head coach at the University of Alabama.

Wells coached at Northwestern for five seasons and won the Southland Conference title three of the last four years.

Assistant head baseball coach Mitch Gaspard was offered Wells' position, but elected to go with Wells to Alabama.

Head volleyball and softball coach Ricky McAllister resigned to go to the private sector. He now manages his wife's dental practice and is going into his fathers nursery business.

Pat Dubois left his Southland Conference Champion women's tennis team to take the director of tennis and head men's tennis coaching position at the University of Texas at Arlington. The school also hired his wife.

*"Every sport but men's golf has been affected by a coaching change"* — Doug Ireland, Northwestern Sport Information Director

Stephen F. Austin hired Gayle Striegler, Northwestern's assistant women's basketball coach. Striegler took the same post at Stephen F. Austin, but received about an $8,000 pay raise.

Glen Krupica, the assistant athletic director in charge of fund raising, resigned his post to become the director of the Independence Bowl in Shreveport.

Former women's track coach Chris Maggio had a brief stint as Krupica's replacement, but the University then hired him to head the admissions and recruiting department at Northwestern.

Despite the turnover, Ireland doesn't expect to see the program suffer.

"Every sport but men's golf has been affected by a coaching change and in most instances coaches moved to better themselves," Ireland said. "We have, I think, in every instance hired outstanding replacements."

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**MEN'S TOP TEN TEAMS**

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2. DA Syndicate 2-0
3. Alpha Phi Alpha 2-0
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5. KATN 2-0
6. Kappa Alpha 1-1
7. E & I 1-1
8. CSO Gators 2-1
9. Outcasts 1-0
10. Rough Riders 2-1

NSU Leisure Activities

**WOMEN (TOP THREE)**

1. BSU 2-0
2. CSO-Holy Rollers 1-0
3. Phi Mu 2-0

*Rankings compiled by Scott Bruscato



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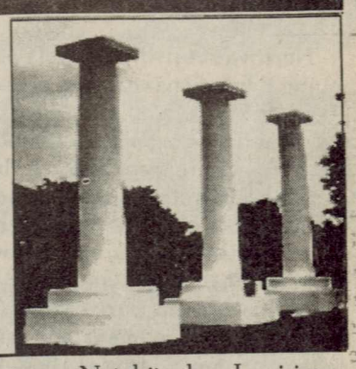
Demon player's versatility has NFL taking a second look.



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Voter turnouts at NSU/ City elections give mixed signals about priorities


# CurrentSauce



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## Space Shuttle pilot speaks on recent misson

SARA FARRELL
*Current Sauce*

Astronaut James Donald Halsell Jr. spoke to a packed house of Northwestern and area high school students yesterday in the Fine Arts Auditorium.

Halsell, a Lt. Colonel in the USAF and a pilot on STS-65 when the seven-member crew aboard Space Shuttle Columbia departed from the Kennedy Space Center on July 8, 1994, spoke about his recent mission and the difficulties encountered in the daily routine in space.

First, Halsell showed the large gathering a film concerning the 15-day shuttle flight.

The shuttle traveled at a height of 162 nautical miles along the Earth's circular orbit and achieved an orbiting speed of 5 miles per second. The takeoff used more than seven million pounds of thrust.

"It's a great way to travel," Halsell said.

Halsell described the purpose of the mission as carrying out various experiments in the fields of material and life sciences which could benefit mankind.

A 30-foot tunnel separated the living quarters from the laboratory, where qualified astronauts began collecting data from the experiments.

One experiment involved comparing animals remaining weightless to those placed in a centrifuge generating 1 g force. These fruit flies, jellyfish and goldfish have inner gravity receptors in the inner ear.

The astronauts also compared animal offspring from salamanders and newts to those born on Earth and found no substantial difference.

The crew also examined protein growth crystals used in experiments trying to find possible cures for diseases such as AIDS.

Astronauts also began learning how to use weightlessness to make such substances as better alloys for processing space stations.

"It was very gratifying to say, 'Yeah, I was there, and I helped [repair] this experiment'," Halsell said. He said he believes people to be a valuable asset on flights for such reasons.

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## Queen once again

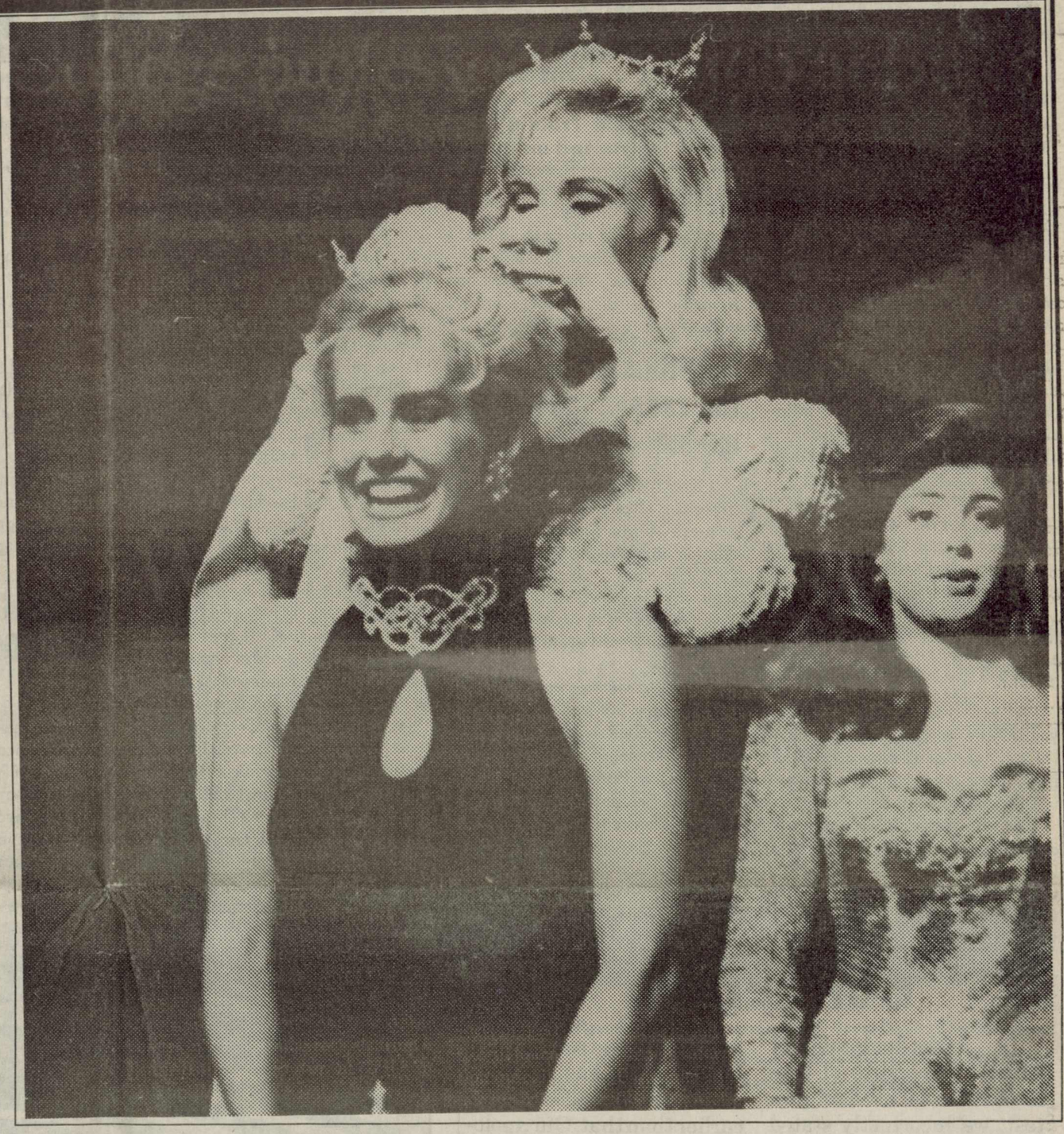


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**Northwestern student Julie Cameron, 1994 Miss Natchitoches City of Lights, crowns her successor and classmate Melissa Mabou in ceremonies held Saturday. Mabou, former Miss LOB, will represent Natchitoches at the Miss Louisiana pageant.**

## Former Scholars' College professor takes job at Beloit

JEFF GUIN
*Current Sauce*

A going-away party with a few close friends, and several still unanswered questions, marked the end of Dr. Nate Therien's six-year career at the Louisiana Scholars' College last week.

On Sept. 27, Therien resigned his position at the liberal arts honors college and agreed to take a post as assistant to the academic vice president at Beloit College, another liberal arts college, located in Wisconsin.

Only five months ago, the professor was looking forward to a lifelong career with the Scholars' College. He only had to complete this, the final, year of his "tenure track," and that dream would officially become reality.

According to Therien, things could not have been going more smoothly. He already knew he had been recommended unanimously for tenure by the Scholars' College divisional tenure committee. And Ray Wallace, the divisional chair, had said that he would also recommend Therien's tenure request.

"My wife and I had just refinanced our house — we were so sure that it would come through," Therien said.

Then, on May 11, all that changed.

"Janice Sturman [another Scholars' professor] and I were both handed letters by Ray Wallace about an hour and a half after turning grades in for the spring semester," Therien said. The letters notified the professors that their tenure would not be renewed effective the 1995-96 school year. At first, Therien was unsure how to act.

"I was very shocked, because no one expected that," he said. "When Wallace handed me the letter, I immediately asked, 'How did this happen,' and he told me 'I can't talk about it.'" Wallace has officially said that he has no comment on tenure decisions.

And since then, Therien said he has been just as clueless about why he was not given tenure as he was that day.

After receiving the letter, Therien began investigating the tenure process, trying to find out where his fault lay and exactly who had the authority to overturn the unanimous recommendation of the divisional tenure committee.

"The process is this," Therien said. "The divisional committee makes a recommendation to the divisional chair and the divisional chair makes his own recommendation to the academic vice president. If there is a disagreement between the committee and the divisional chair, the academic vice president is empowered to resolve the disagreement. It was the vice president of academic affairs [Dr. Edward Graham] that actually signed the letters saying we weren't going to be renewed.

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## Infimary to offer free AIDS testing Oct. 17

MAXINE MATTA
*Current Sauce*

Students can receive free testing for AIDS and syphilis Oct. 17 and 18 in the infirmary.

The service is made available because of the increasing amount of AIDS and syphilis cases in Natchitoches. According to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention, Louisiana leads the nation with the highest number of syphilis cases and Natchitoches leads Louisiana, having the most cases per capita in the state.

"The on-campus free AIDS and syphilis testing will benefit the students because they won't have the inconvenience of having to find a way out to the out-patient clinic to be tested," Sheila Anthony, university nurse, said. "Instead, it will be right here on campus which will be very convenient to most students. Also it will let students know if they have been exposed to any kind of disease."

According to Anthony, the test takes only 10 minutes and consists of extracting blood.

Students will receive the results within two weeks. Counselors will be made available during the testing times and two weeks later when the results arrive.

Testing will be available only to students and they must present their identification. Students are welcome even if they have not paid the infirmary fee.

## Watson Library goes online

EURETHIA SCOTT
*Current Sauce*

Students dreaming of finding research material throughout the state faster and less expensively can now use GENIE — Watson Library's new online computer catalog. Northwestern held a special ceremony Tuesday to dedicate the online system.

Students and faculty can find information from most of the state's library card catalogs within seconds using the Louisiana Online University Information System or LOUIS. The online system contains databases of card catalog records from a mainframe computer at LSU in Baton Rouge.

LOUIS was funded by $3.5 million in grants from various organizations such as the Board of Regents and the U.S. Department of Education.

Julie McInnis, a senior journalism major, won the contest which the library sponsored earlier this fall to name the online catalog. She chose the name from the choices St. Denis, Cavalier and Genie, but chose Genie because of the show *I Dream of Jeannie* and after Eugene Watson, for whom the library is named.

According to Dr. Ada Jarred, director of libraries, the online system is a "consortion of academic libraries throughout Louisiana. All the state supported universities and colleges are involved."

The library is supplied with citation databases, ERIC and PROQUEST, which allows students to pull journals and article information quickly. GENIE includes information from 12 card catalogs around the state. More will be added when funding is made available.

"In the future it is going to have some citation databases on it and even some full text databases," Jarred said.

"This will be the fulfillment of a dream," Jarred said. "This was a three year project that the academic librarians in Louisiana have been working toward so we began meeting in early 1991."

"Our students now have access to materials all over the state of Louisiana," President Robert Alost said. "They'll be in the main line of information systems all over the country."

Other universities' librarians were present at the dedication ceremonies. "This is a great thing for the students especially because of the budget cuts," said, Marvis Anderson, reference librarian for Grambling State University. "It is really important for the universities statewide to be able to share

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### CAMPUS

**GRE COURSES TO BE OFFERED AT NSU:** The Division of Continuing Education will hold prepatory classes for the Graduate Record Exam. **PAGE 2**

**MUSIC PROFESSOR'S COMPOSITION PERFORMED IN WEST VIRGINIA:** An original composition for clarinet, tenor saxophone and percussion by Dr. Mark Francis, adjunct professor of music at Northwestern and the Louisiana School for Math, Science and the Arts, was performed at a joint meeting of the North American Saxophone Alliance and the Southeastern Composers' League at the University of West Virginia. The composition has been performed at the Southwest New Music Festival in Texas and Crane Music Festival in New York.

### CITY

**CANE RIVER HISTORICAL PARK LEGISLATION RECEIVES APPROVAL:** Congress approved Friday the legislation creating Cane River Creole National Historic Park and Cane River National Heritage Area in Natchitoches. U.S. Sen. J. Bennett Johnston, D-La, said President Bill Clinton is expected to sign it into law within a few weeks.

**CITY COUNCIL APPROVES IMPROVEMENTS TO BE MADE IN THE INDUSTRIAL PARK:** In Monday's City Council meeting, the Council approved the city's request to pursue grants to help fund the Alliance project. Alliance, formally the Trane Corp., plans to construct more buildings to the manufacturing plant of scroll compressors.

### STATE

**FORT POLK SOLDIERS PREPARE TO GO TO PERSIAN GULF:** About 200 soldiers will leave to go the Persian Gulf because of the latest move of Iraqi troops on the Kuwaiti border. Two Patriot air defense batteries from the 2nd Battalion, 43rd Air Defense Artillery are preparing to deploy although an exact time for their departure has not been set.

### NATION

**SALISBURY STATE U POLICE ARE BIKING IT:** To save money on gasoline, Salisbury State University has turned the campus police officers onto pedal power. Thirteen of SSU's 16 public safety officers have traded in patrol cars for bicycles. "It's a lot cheaper to buy $500 bikes than a $19,000 car," Joseph Gilbert, vice president of administration, said. Meanwhile, cops on bikes seem to form better relationships with the students and the community, university officials said. The university has become a training ground for local municipalities wanting to try the same thing with their own police.

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## Northwestern to offer GRE classes

Northwestern's Division of Continuing Education is offering potential graduate students the opportunity to enhance their performance on the Graduate Record Exam by offering a series of GRE prep courses beginning Oct. 29. The courses are also scheduled from 9 to 5 p.m. Nov. 5, 12 and 19.

The cost of the course will vary depending on enrollment and will include a manual, tips on how to prepare and time to practice taking the test.

The purpose of the GRE is to provide a standard measure that will permit admission decisions to be based, at least in part, on an "objective" comparison of all candidates — no matter what their college or background. The GRE program is sponsored by an independent committee affiliated with the Association of Graduate Schools and the Council of Graduate Schools in the United States.

The GRE generates three different scores. The student receives results in the verbal, math and analytical areas. The GRE consists of seven separately timed, 30-minute sections. Each section is devoted to a particular type of question in one of the areas. Verbal questions test the extent of one's vocabulary and the ability to read. Math questions test a student's knowledge of arithmetic, basic algebra and elementary geometry. Analytical questions test one's ability to think carefully and logically.

For more information on the GRE prep course, contact Melanie McHenry in the Division of Continuing Education at 357-4570 or 1-800-256-2822.

## NSU theater needs costumes

If you can't be a star, maybe your clothes can be. Northwestern's theater is in need of several items including clothes for use in several upcoming productions.

Sharon Foster, Northwestern's costume designer, said men's wear from any period is needed. The costume and scenery shop could also use a stove/oven combination in working order, large blocks of Styrofoam and end rolls of chicken wire.

These items will be used in the Theatre productions of *The Diviners*, *Juno and The Peacock* and *Romeo and Juliet*. Anyone with a donation should call 357-4319.



**Over 290 Junior ROTC cadets from some 14 high schools throughout Louisiana and Mississippi braved the stormy weather to participate in Northwestern's annual Demon Field Training Exercise this weekend. Upon their arrival the young cadets were instructed on how to set up a tent.**

## NSU theater prepares for second fall performance

Northwestern's theater will present a slice of life from Depression-era Middle America in its production of James Leonard Jr.'s *The Diviners* Nov. 7 through 14. The play will run nightly at 7:30 p.m. in Theatre West of the A.A. Fredericks Center for Creative and Performing Arts.

*The Diviners* is set in Indiana during the 1930s and tells the story of a disturbed boy and a disenchanted preacher.

The boy, Buddy Layman, played by Peter Schmidt of Baton Rouge, nearly drowned when he was an infant and is afraid of water in any form. The preacher, C.C. Showers, played by Thomas Ray of Baton Rouge, comes from a long line of preachers but wants to break away from that profession.

The small Indiana town doesn't have a preacher, and tries to convince Showers to preach. Showers tries to help Buddy overcome his fear of water.

"*The Diviners* is an amazingly detailed character study of life in the Depression and a group of people still rooted in a high regard for the natural order of things and the roles of their shamans and prophets," Dr. Jack Wann, the play's director, said. "One of the unique elements of the play is its theatricality. It jumps around in time and place."

Wann said the play will remind audiences of *The Rimers of Eldritch* which the University presented in 1992.

"The focus of the play is on acting and staging and not on elaborate scenery and costumes," Wann said. "This is the kind of play actors love to get their teeth into."

Other members of the cast include Jenny Kendrick of Robeline as Jennie Mae Layman, Ginger Hensley of Lafayette as Norma Henshaw, Kim Howard of Natchitoches as Darlene Henshaw, Leah Coleman of Jena as Goldie Short, Ivory Simon of Broussard as Basil Bennett, Angel Guidroz of Lafayette as Luella Bennett, Jeff Williams of Cincinnati as Melvin Wilder and Ryan Glorioso of Gretna as Dewey Maples. The roles of three town ladies will be played by Candace Goodwin of Rowlett, Texas, Kelly St. Germain of Baker and Criquette Skelton of Lafayette.

David Schmidt is the technical director with costumes and makeup by Sharon Foster. John Shamburger of Baton Rouge will be stage manager, Greg Romero of Baton Rouge is assistant stage manager, Seine Liles of Jonesboro is the assistant to the director and Chrissie Corbin of Baton Rouge is the properties manager.

## College Discovers Ancient Documents in Library

As director of the medieval and renaissance studies program at the College of William and Mary, professor George Greenia is used to sorting through old documents.

But even he was surprised with what he found while touring the Hill Monastic Manuscript Library at St. John's University this summer.

When the library's researchers, Maureen and Paul Watry, showed Greenia various scrolls and parchments, he immediately recognized two as unique historical documents from medieval Spain.

Soon after, Greenia and the Watrys found more than 40 uncatalogued Spanish documents dating back to the 13th Century stashed away in the library's vault.

Although Greenia has since returned to his campus in Williamsburg, Va., he plans to keep researching the documents. "Other medieval researchers have told me to drop everything and get to work on this collection," he said.

## Salary Survey for New Grads Shows Slight Increases

New college graduates had more job opportunities than last year, but their starting salaries rose only slightly, a College Placement Council survey has found.

The hiring of new college graduates was up from or even to last year's hiring, according to the September 1994 issue of the CPC Salary Survey.

While an improving economy was credited for the increase in hiring, low inflation rates continue to keep most increases in starting salaries at a minimum, Dawn Oberman, director of employment for CPC, said.

So what majors fared the best?

• Job candidates in most business disciplines posted respectable gains in their starting salary offers. Accounting graduates earned a 3.2 percent increase and now average $28,372, while business administration graduates saw their average offer rise 2.2 percent to $25,102.

• Engineering graduates continue to face stiff competition for jobs in the manufacturing sector, which translates into starting salaries that remained at last year's levels.

• Computer science graduates ended the year with a 1.4 percent increase in their starting salary offers for an average of $31,783.

While hiring increased this year, fewer employers are coming to campus to recruit for available positions, Oberman said. Instead, most career service offices receive job notices through fax, phone and mailings.

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## Correction:

In the September 27 article "Departure of Professor focus of student protest, we incorrectly stated that Dr. Janet Sturman "will be departing at the end of the semester." Sturman's contract ends in May and she has not indicated that she will leave any earlier than that. Our apologies to Dr. Sturman and to anyone who may have been misled.

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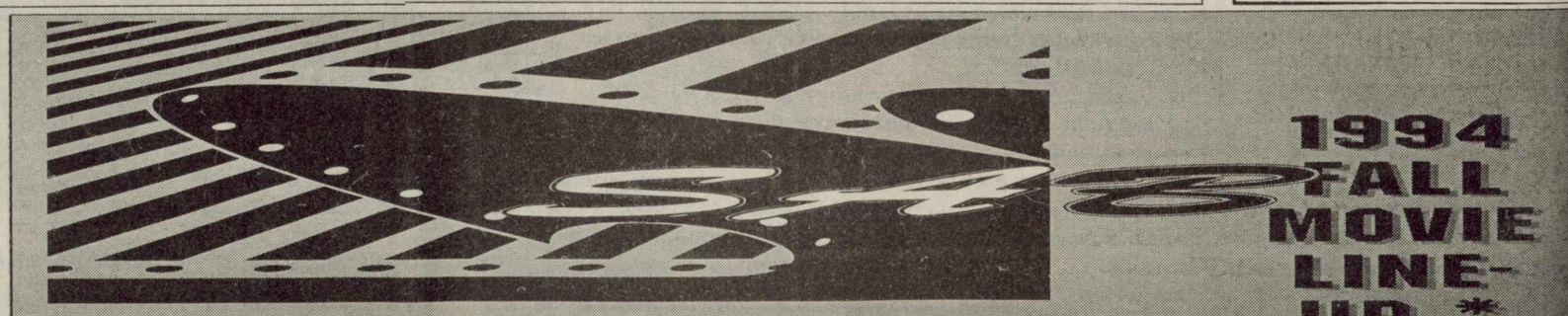
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# Infirmary treats, informs Northwestern students

Heather Cooley
*Current Sauce*

Health care is a hot topic on the political scene, but it is an every day concern for elderly, children, young adults and baby boomers alike. Many universities offer infirmary service and/or student insurance to prepare for those concerns.

The infirmary, located next to the campus police station, treats between 40-50 a day according to Leah Ann Bell, student health directer and a registered nurse. Nausea and sore throats are the most common complaints brought to the infirmary. The infirmary can distribute over-the-counter medicines and condoms, administer first aid and allergy injections, and conduct physical assessments. The infirmary also educates students about AIDS, sexually transmitted diseases and pregancy.

Students who live on campus pay a $20 fee at registration for use of the infirmary. Off-campus students can only use the infirmary if they request to pay the fee at registration.

Some off-campus students were unaware that they could pay the fee to have access to infirmary services.

Ashley Wilson, a sophomore in Scholars' College, said that had she been aware she could have paid the fee to use the infirmary, she would have.

Students have mixed views on the infirmary.

"Although they could be more efficient, they serve my needs well," Courtney Meyers, a sophomore in Scholars' College, said. "I think a lot of times they don't ask enough questions about people who are sick. They are all to ready to dispense cough drops and send you on your way."

Martha Epperson, a sophomore in Scholars' College, visits the infirmary about twice a semester, three times at the maximum, and said the fee is worth it. They [the infirmary workers] do what they are supposed to, Epperson said. "They give me medication and make appointments with the doctor."

Alicia Thomas, a sophomore in politcal science, agreed.

"Why would I want to go out and spend money on cold pills when I can get them at the infirmary," Thomas said.

Northwestern has contracted two new doctors, Drs. Judy and Rataj Singh. If the infirmary sends students to these doctors, all the students have to pay is $10.

Sam Woodruff, a sophomore in Scholars' College, said that the $10 required to pay these doctors is nothing compared to what doctors normally charge.

"I have always been treated real nice and the people have always helped me and if they can't, they do what they can to get you to the doctor," Woodruff said.

Through being a resident assistant, Sean Schneyer, a junior in Scholars' College, said requiring campus students to pay the infirmary fee was understandable.

"I don't mind being charged the fee—especially being a RA. I see how it is necessary," Schneyer said. "A lot of people, especially freshmen coming in, don't realize all the things that could happen while they are here. They get sick and don't have mommy to go to. If they had a choice they would probably not pay the fee, yet when they get sick they wouldn't have anywhere to go, so I think the infirmary fee is a good idea."

All students pay a $20 fee at registration for insurance. Students can get a refund if they bring proof of insurance within two weeks after registration to the infirmary. Several students were unaware that they could bring proof of insurance to the infirmary and decline the student insurance.

"I bring them proof of insurance, and they [the university] get around sometime during the semester to credit it to my account that is set up for work study," Heather Honore, a sophomore in Scholars' College, said. "The only way I found out that we could get insurance refunds is when I went through the fee payment line, I had a correction to make on my meal plan, and the insurance refund is set up right next to the housing. If you didn't look over there you wouldn't know. They don't exactly advertise how people with insurance can get a twenty dollar refund every semester."

The insurance covers students 24 hours a day. Coverage begins three days after the semester starts and ends three days after it ends. Semester breaks are covered by the insurance as long as the students re-enrolls and pays the insurance fee. Students must attend class regularly for 31 days after the date of when the coverage was purchased.

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**Making a claim on student insurance**

**1. Fill out a company claim form**
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**Policy pays up to $1,000 for injury. Brochures on coverage available at infirmary.**


## Gettin' Down on the Farm

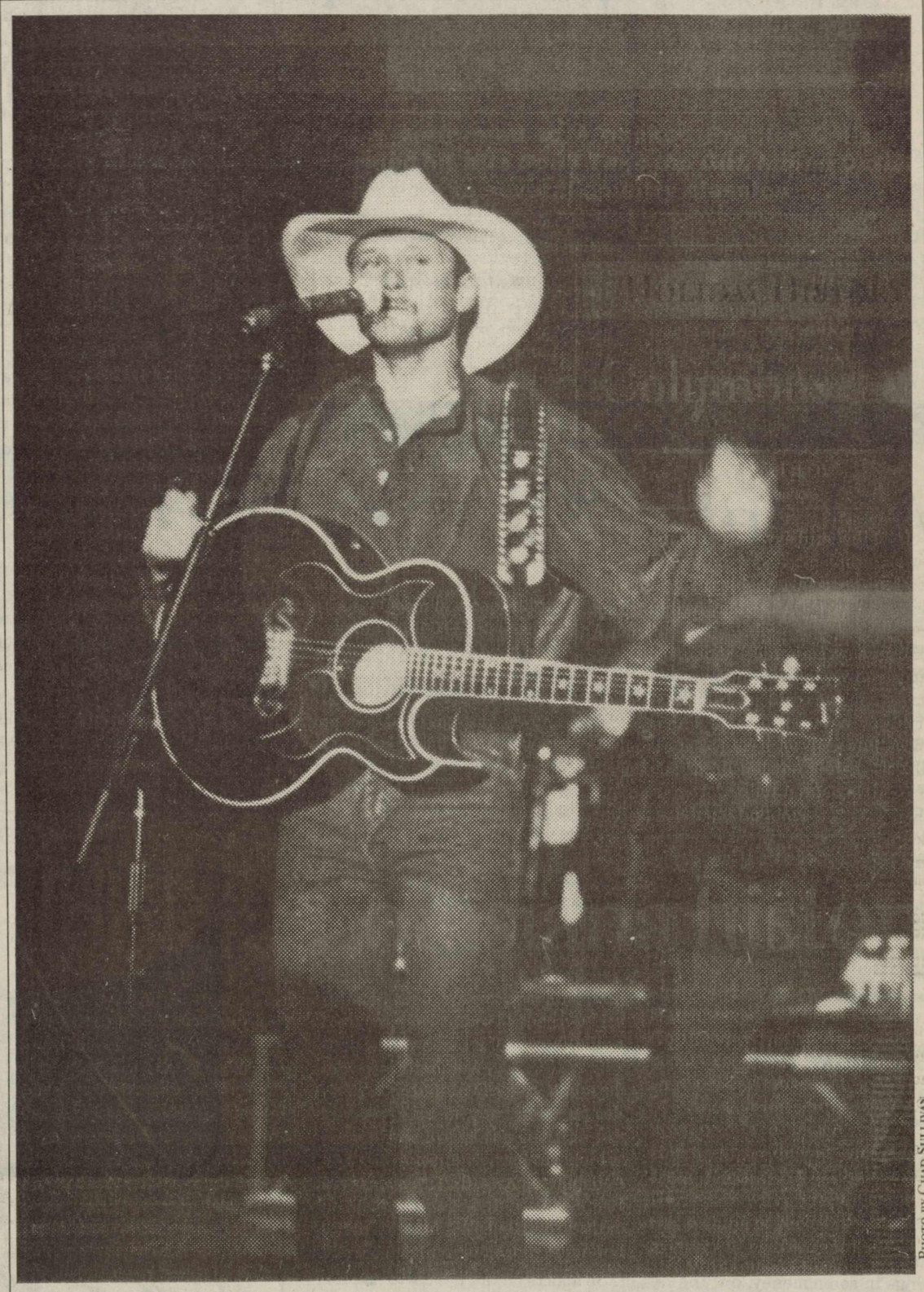


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**Country singer Tim McGraw performed to a packed Prather Coliseum Friday night. McGraw performed his hits *Don't Take the Girl, Indian Outlaw* and *Down on the Farm* in addition to several country classics**

# Fort Polk campus director dedicates life to education

## Owen views education, family life most important

Lisa Mitchell
*Current Sauce*

Education has played a major role in C. Creighton Owen's life. Creighton, executive director of the Northwestern campus at Fort Polk, has distinguished himself with a career dedicated to education.

"I am very pleased to have the opportunity to serve as the executive director of the Leesville campus," Owen said. "I feel this is merely an extension of the years I served in the Vernon Parish school system and where I retired as superintendent of schools."

Owen retired as superintendent of Vernon Parish Schools after seven years and has previously served as an English teacher, guidance counselor, supervisor of instruction and director of curriculum.

He earned a bachelors and masters degree from Louisiana State University and also attended Northwestern, McNeese State University, the University of Southern California and school administrative summer programs in Seve, France, and Brussels, Belgium.

President Robert A. Alost's appointment of Owen as executive director was approved by the Board of Trustees for State Colleges and Universities earlier in the semester.

"Creighton Owen was probably the best school superintendent I've ever known," Alost said. "Dr. [Ray] Baumgardner did a great job, and I know Creighton will take us to new heights. I can't say enough laudatory things about him."

Changes in facilities and programs at the Fort Polk campus originated during the administration of Baumgardner, former dean provost of the Fort Polk campus.

"The new nursing program and the new computer lab is all a result of the fine work done by Dr. Baumgardner, and I regret I can not take credit for these," Owen said.

Besides being educationally involved, Owen is active in the Leesville community. He is a member of the board of the Association of the United States Army, the Vernon Arts Council, the Leesville Industrial Committee, the Leesville/Vernon Chamber of Commerce and the Vernon Parish Mental Health Board of Directors. Owen is the governor's military liaison to Fort Polk, a member of Masonic Orders and a Shriner.

Above all his accomplishments, Owen said his greatest achievement is "marrying the most wonderful woman in the world — who gets all of the credit for our fine son, daughter and their families."

Having started first grade at Leesville Elementary School together, Owen and wife Gloria have built a marriage that has lasted 39 years.

Owens is also a proud grandfather, also.

Daughter Mae Ann Ledet lives in Leesville with her husband Ted, who is branch manager and loan officer at a local bank. Mae Ann is an English teacher at Leesville Junior High School. They have a four-year-old son, Joseph Creighton, who, according to Owen, "is my namesake and can do no wrong."

Charles Anthony Owen is a captain in the U.S. Air Force and an ROTC instructor at LSU in Baton Rouge. Charles Owen and his wife Carolyn, a special education teacher, have an 18-month-old daughter, Laura Gaye Owen. According to C. Creighton Owen, "Laura Gaye is the boss of the entire Owen clan.

"I have a wonderful family who is always supportive of whatever decision I make," Owen said.

## Holiday History

# Columbus Day

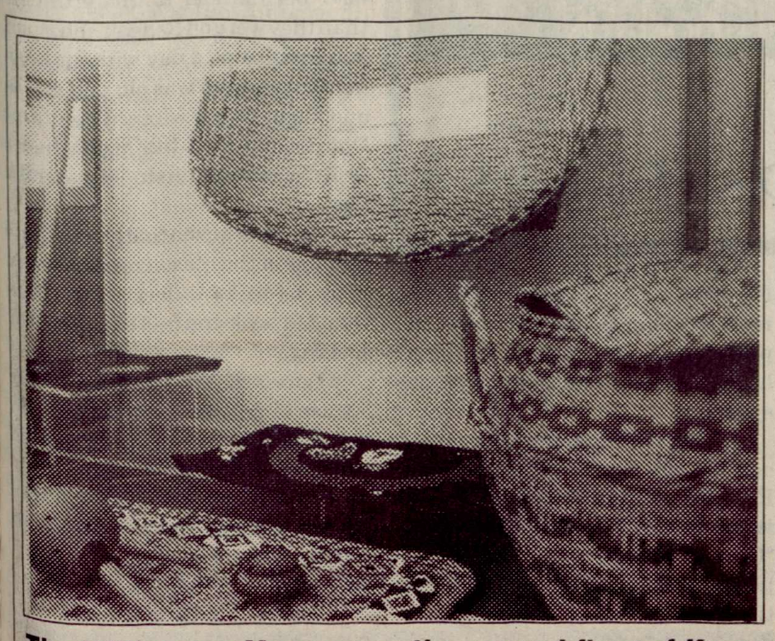
By Sylvia Fields
*Current Sauce*

Columbus Day was first called "Discovery Day" and was set aside as a legal holiday by President Harrison in 1892, four hundred years after the discovery of America.

Christopher Columbus was an Italian navigator and visionary who sought Spanish support for his travels.

The day is also observed annually with parades, church services and school programs. In all but ten states, October 12, the date Columbus landed in the West Indies, is a legal holiday.

# Williamson Museum offers look at Louisiana history



**The Williamson Museum on the second floor of Kyser Hall contains a variety of Native American artifacts as well as demonstration pieces.**

Photo by Bridgette Morvant

Bridgette Morvant
*Current Sauce*

Students interested in the original heritages of Louisiana — Native American, French and Spanish — should make time to visit Williamson Museum, Rm. 210 Kyser Hall.

Williamson Museum is dedicated to the preservation of cultures. The exhibits are mostly comprised of Southeastern Native American artifacts, including clothing, baskets, pottery and personal items, according to Dr. Hiram Gregory, curator of the museum.

"It is a state and federal repository for archaeological materials from northwest to central Louisiana," Gregory said. "We have big collections from the Louisiana tribes and other Southeastern tribes that are contemporary Indian groups . . . . We have one of the largest archaeological collections in the state."

The museum is named for George Williamson, a Northwestern professor of natural sciences at the turn of the century, according to Gregory.

"He started a little museum — a little eclectic natural science museum like they used to do in the good old days — and it had a lot of Indian artifacts in it," Gregory said. "He collected, and had his students collect for him, artifacts from northwestern Louisiana and, it was a pretty impressive collection. Plus there were other things in it that had been added on. He was kind of eclectic, he had everything from Indian artifacts to pickled fish.

"When he died it [the museum] sort of drifted off into oblivion and Dr. George Stokes, later Vice President Stokes, had kind of resurrected the thing and put it back together in Guardia Hall — the one that burned over by Scholars' College, out where the fountain is. So, we lost that whole thing in 1965. We were packing it up to move it over here at the time. By that time we had a lot more Indian material than now . . ."

According to Gregory about 95 percent of the original museum collection was lost in the Guardia fire and the museum ceased to exist for several years. "This whole collection has come back together since about 1972," he said. "We had two or three large collection donations then and other stuff started trickling in from research projects and stuff."

In fact, so much new material has been added to the museum that space has become scarce according to Gregory. Only about one third of the collection is on display to the public. The rest is kept for scholarly research.

In addition to displaying artifacts, Northwestern's Anthropology Club, uses the museum for special events such as Indian Crafts Day (sometimes called Basket Day) held each year on the day of the Natchitoches Christmas Festival. On this day Native American craft people spend the day selling their wares at the museum.

Another upcoming event at the museum is a lecture by Mark Hartmann, a dugout canoe expert from Texas A&M University. Hartmann will present a lecture on the evening of Nov. 2. Both of these events will be free to the public.

Williamson Museum is open to both students and non-students free of charge. The museum operates on all regular school days from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. The museum is closed on school holidays and weekends (and sometimes during final exams) except by special appointment.

Gregory encourages all students to visit the museum to "get a feel for how long people have been here and the kinds of people that have lived here. It's a part of the local history you can't get on the tour."

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**EDITORIAL**

# Athletic Equity

Gender equity in sports has become one of the leading issues that the NCAA has been forced to deal with recently. In the last few years there has been a group of people that has put more and more emphasis on the fact that men's and women's athletics aren't funded equally.

Football has taken most of the abuse from this movement because it it the most expensive to fund. It's easy for women to point to football and say they have 90 or 100 players on the team a big budget and that they don't have a sport with that kind of opportunity. But in most cases, football and men's basketball are the reason that Title IX is able to be implemented and the reason that women's sports are supported like they are today.

Many Division I colleges are having a hard time funding sports and are being forced to cut back on the number of athletic programs being offered. In almost every instance football revenue must be spread around to cover the losses of the other sports. Without this revenue athletic departments wouldn't be able to exist as we know them.

Women's sports aren't the only ones that lose money, but women's sports make for a good majority of the losses.

*"To make drastic cuts to the sports that are bringing in money to help pay for programs that won't doesn't make any sense"*

Football, and men's and women's basketball make up almost all of the income that comes into Northwestern through gate receipts. Baseball brings in some money, but the rest of the sports do not generate income.

At Northwestern, football is the most expensive sport but it is also the biggest bread winner. Without football revenue, it would be tough for the athletic department to make it. The athletic department gets revenue through gate receipts, game guarantees, the University, the NCAA and through donations from its booster club, the Athletic Association.

Football makes up most of the revenue from game guarantees and gate receipts, and most of the NCAA money comes from the seven-year, $1 billion dollar contract with CBS Television for the NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament that is split between NCAA members.

Women's basketball at Northwestern has been very competitive recently and therefore has been taking in about the same amount of money through gate receipts as the men's basketball team, but at most universities this isn't the case. At Northwestern a crowd of 2,500 is good for a basketball game.

Northwestern, which sponsors seven sports each for men and women, made over $50,000 in gate receipts in the football home opener.

College athletics is a business, and it's in competition with all other areas of entertainment for a limited amount of entertainment dollars available. To make drastic cuts to the sports that are bringing in money to help pay for programs that won't doesn't make sense.

It's unfortunate, but at this time women's athletics isn't able to generate interest among fans like the men's teams do. Therefore, committing resources equally isn't going to allow most athletic departments to stay in business without some other source of income.

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# Health care too complex for weary college students

**HeatherUrena**

## Circus Act

Health care may be a national topic, but it is often not too much of a concern for college students because students are usually worried more about how they are going to pay for tuition, books, food, phone bills, school supplies and numerous other miscellaneous expenses.

Most often students don't have the time to even consider health care or health care reform or health insurance or how to pay doctors' bills. How often can a person put off seeing a doctor for lack of money or lack of insurance?

I have more immediate worries than whether some politicians' plans may or may not work. I don't have time to think about it, and I am not so sure that our society has time to contemplate the ramifications of instituting national plans. And I know the need is so immediate that we don't have time to experiment.

I am not so sure that Clinton's health care plan, since it will probably never get past the Congressional floor anyway, could even work. But I know the systems in place now are failing.

Many students are on their parents' insurance policies—in force while they are attending school full-time and are below a certain age (usually 24). What can a young adult do after the age requirement has been surpassed, and he or she is still in school?

A few years ago, when I was still a traditional student, I became ill. My mother and I were estranged. I had no money. The infirmary at that school could not tell me what was wrong, I had no money to pay an independent doctor for services and my illness was not what I would consider a medical emergency. Thank goodness, my then-future mother-in-law gave me the money to find a general practitioner who graciously found time to fit me into his schedule. Since that time, I have faired well. The last time I was sick enough to make myself go to the doctor I had to see my daughters' pediatrician. Then, I had to arrange to pay another doctor for a conference to set myself up as his patient. It's kind of annoying to have to pay a doctor when you aren't even sick.

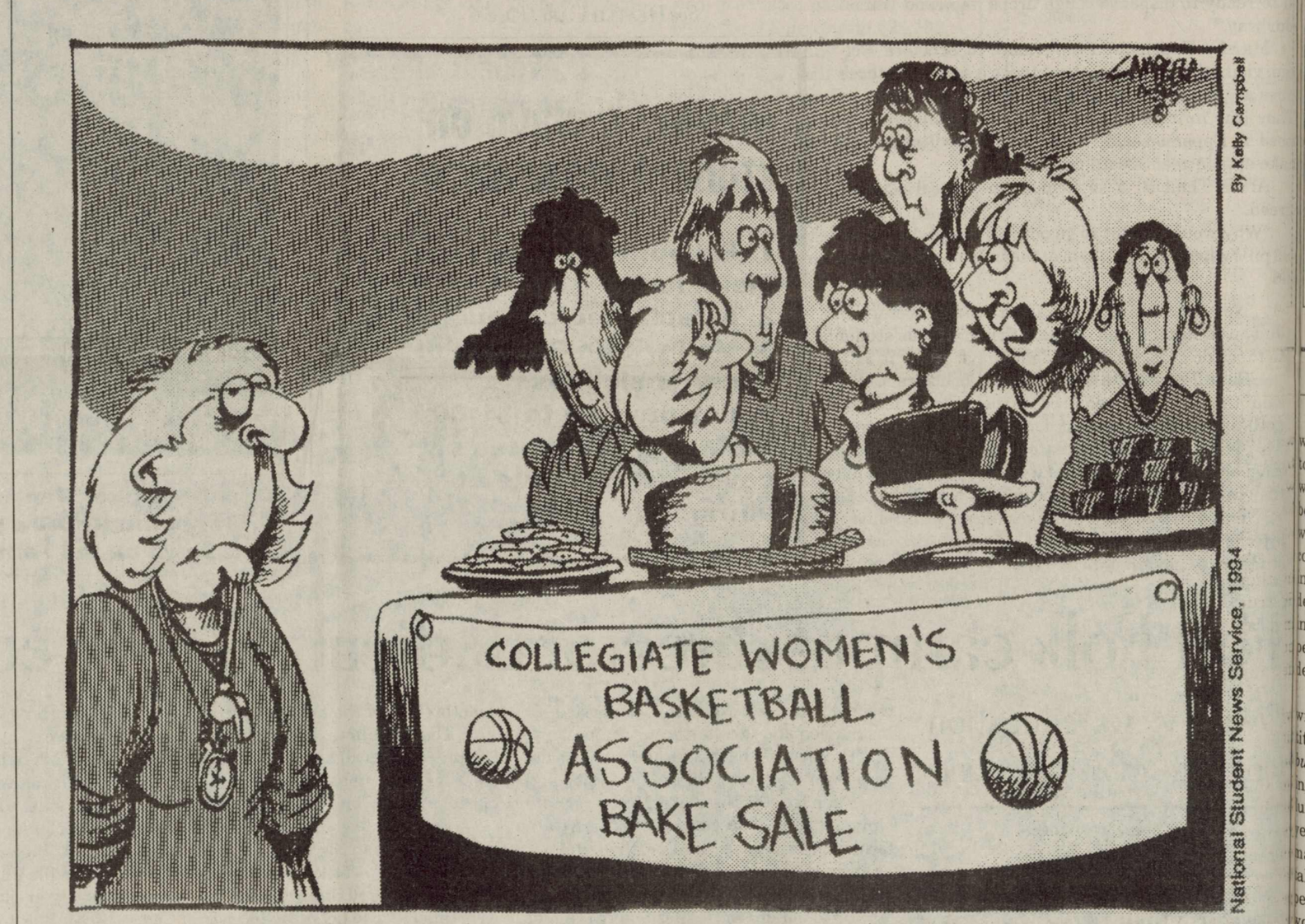
I worry about young people—like college students—and their dependents. Many children can receive care through parish health units and the Medicaid system. Pregnant women received care because of that program, also. And the older population is eligible for programs like Medicaid, Medicare and Social Security. Many adults who already have careers can at least scrimp by to pay for insurance premiums. But where are the students left when they are no longer dependents,and they are unable to be totally independent? According to Sharyl Fragin in *Rock the System*, "If you're in good health, rarely see a doctor, and aren't fazed by those numbers, think again. The uninsured—including many of your peers—are costing you bigtime."

Because my husband works at a health care facility, we have insurance. But we still have to worry about paying up front for any medical services.

Personally, I don't have time to worry about health care reform, so I can not offer any save-the-world-from-its-buzzward-plight-of-the-day solutions. Save that for the politicians. All we can do is take baby steps.

And we can take solace in the law. Legally, no emergency room can turn away patients with serious medical conditions. And in Louisiana, a charity hospital system is set up, so no one has to go without medical care. That care may take a lot of waiting in a facility that is not exactly comfortable, but at least a person can receive adequate medical care.

May be if the reform started with cleaning the state facilities, then baby steps could create a big change.




"SURE IT'S HUMILIATING COACH, BUT IT'S THE ONLY WAY WE CAN PAY FOR OUR SNEAKERS."

# Celebrities and politics don't mix



**BradThibodaux**

## The Daux Chronicles

I really hate celebrities who get involved in politics. If they have a certain point of view and endorse a candidate . . . fine, but stop acting like an authority.

The one name, the one person, that comes to mind is Miss Barbra Streisand.

Who on Earth made her an expert on politics and Bill Clinton? All she does is sing for crying out loud! Yet the press asks her all kinds of questions. They range from the environment to Bill Clinton's bad press.

The answers she gives to these questions makes me wonder how on Earth someone can be so smart and everyone else so stupid.

Barbra says we should recycle, feed and clothe the poor, stop destroying the rain forest, and on, and on, and on.

"Oh thank you so much Miss Streisand for enlightening the public on these social issues. I could not have gone another day without some form of guidance from you."

Well Barbra, I know this may seem a little ungrateful because you've done so much to help me and so many others, but can you do me a favor. "SHUT UP! Will you please just shut up!"

There is only one conclusion that can be made from your statements and interviews, "YOU KNOW NOTHING."

I am basing this claim on a recent article sent out by the AP in New York . Barbra thinks the reason the president is getting bad press is because he has a full head of hair. Hold the press, Streisand has spoken.

"They're [the media] far tougher on this Democrat than they were on Reagan and Bush," Streisand said in the November issue of Vanity Fair. "Clinton is constantly being portrayed as floundering. Why? I think they're jealous of a president who is very young, very smart, very nice, with a full head of hair."

The truth is, is that the media have been kinder to this president than they were on Reagan and Bush. You couldn't go a day without hearing that Reagan was old and senile, and Bush was a wimp. Then came Dan Quayle and the media had a field day calling him stupid and child-like.

Streisand even told an audience that one of the reasons she missed a concert was because she read Dan Quayle's book and had to correct the spelling.

I guess that was alright becsuse it wasn't her "guy" in office, but now that it is Clinton she doessn't want anyone criticizing him. Well, I guess that's just tough. Barbra, you whine almost as much as the president does when someone says something about him and his policies.

Barbra, stick to singing. It may be the only thing you know something about.

# Cave Man College

**JonathonTucker**

## Column

Hello. I have just recently started attending this "learning institution," but it seems like I've been here for years. Throughout my short life on this planet, I have been told that college is "the place to be." Well, I guess they are right — it's the place to be foolish.

Mankind supposedly began with a bunch of Neanderthals running around in groups and discovering fire and bodily pleasures. Since then, we have lost most of the body hair, discovered aspirin, Greek life, Big Johnson Tee-shirts, No Fear paraphernalia and sunglasses. Big improvement. We incessantly guffaw about intoxication stories, and do more gossiping than teachers do teaching. All of this is fine and dandy. Although I am not a tremendous fan of hangovers, herpes and proclaiming that disintegrated cultures will "rise again," I suppose there is nothing illegal about it.

There is one thing that irks me, however. Why is everyone whining? Sure there are a few dirt clods here, and the trenches surrounding Kyser meet a clumsy pedestrian each day, but is that really a big deal? After all, I've never seen anyone offer the fallen stranger a hand. (Unless, of course, the klutz utters an obscenity when falling or if he's/she's wearing a club's pledge pin.) Of course, there are about 100 food service employees who greet confused students with impatient and rude remarks, but ARE WE ANY BETTER? I just do not understand how students, proclaiming themselves as independent adults, can point out flaws in the demeanor of a professor, politician, garbage man, peer or 5-year-old child without realizing that they have not done anything which enables them the right to harshly criticize. (The irony of this is that here I sit, criticizing those fools who criticize.

It is extremely difficult to come up with a solution . . . especially because it appears as if the problem bothers only me. I imagine a good start would be to pull that poor guy out of the ditch. I doubt anyone ever did. Also, to paraphrase a silly little book I once read, "Do not judge lest you want to be judged. I guess it all makes sense for the so-called "grown-ups" around here to strut around in a half-drunken stupor and question authority, meanwhile living a life they feel should not be regulated. Perhaps I'm just a little peon for not seeing a difference between mankind today (especially here) and the sycophantic gorillas eons ago. Who knows?

# Fighting the spread of germs makes a difference in good health



**BarbaraMcHenry**

## Nutrition

In the previous nutrition column we realized how easily germs can spread in the kitchen, especially when preparing meats.

Dr. Gerba, the microbiologist who studies kitchens and bathrooms, gave a few tips on how to cut down the risk of bacteria (such as salmonella) from becoming a serious health problem. He explains in the *Health* magazine article, "How to Win at Germ Warfare," that current tests proved that common sense and a little disinfectant can "cut cross-contamination by about 90 percent."

The knife or fork used to prepare meat for cooking should be put aside rather than used in further preparing the meal in any way.

Dr. Gerba suggests that the dish rag or sponge be sterilized "in the dishwasher a few times a week." The dish towel should definitely go to the washing machine every few days. He also advises that disinfectants be used on faucets, refrigerator handles and garbage pails twice a week.

The above precautions are not so difficult that it takes an "Einstein" to comprehend. However, there are factors that inevitably cause many individuals to fail to incorporate them into their daily routine. Most of us do the best we can, given a busy agenda that includes a great deal more than housekeeping. (And, let's face it, some of us are just not into the "housekeeping thing".)

Also, it is easy for the general public to disregard such opinions coming from the ideal world of the microbiologist. They figure these guys are probably a bit on the "overkill" side of what is necessary.

I find it commendable that Dr. Gerba has been interviewed revealing his imperfect, "down to earth" personality. For instance, he was noted as having used "pathogenic contaminants" and "barf-a-rooney" in the same sentence.

He shuns "Third World" tap water and brushes his teeth using beer. He explained that "Hops are antimicrobial." Well, I wouldn't suggest if before going to class — maybe after a night camping of the river.

The point is, the public is naturally much more receptive to advice from this man when realizing that his family, including a working wife and two boys, fails to keep a germ-free home as well as the next family.

Still, Dr. Gerba is dead serious that his professional recommendations in keeping bacteria down in the kitchen can make a difference in our health.

# CampusConnection

***NAFCS***

The Northwestern Association of Family & Consumer Science will sponsor a seminar on women's self-defense techniques techniques at 3:30 p.m. Thursday in the Alumni Room of the FCS building. Please feel free to invite any friends or interested members. A brief meeting will take place afterwards concerning the dues deadline and raffle tickets for our Homecoming drawing. Anyone able to participate on the Homecoming banner before and after the meeting is urged to attend. Don't forget our yearbook picture at 6:30 p.m. today.

***Alpha Lambda Delta***

Alpha Lambda Delta will meet at 7:30 p.m. today in Rm. 316 of the Student Union. Yearbook picture will follow at 8:40 p.m. in the fine arts building.

***RA position available***

Prudhomme Hall has a temporary resident assistant position to be filled. For further information, call 357-3181 or 357-3178.

***Society for the Advancement of Management***

SAM will meet at noon tomorrow in Rm. 102 of Morrison Hall. Students of all majors are invited. The dues, $20 for the year, can be paid at the meeting. Also, remember to report to Magale Recital Hall at 6:15 p.m. tomorrow to take yearbook pictures. For more information contact Dr. Fusilier, advisor, at 357-5264 or Shannon Clark, president, at 352-0923.

***Blue Key***

Blue Key will meet at 6:30 p.m. Thursday in Rm. 321 of the Student Union. All members are reminded that the attendance policy is in effect, so please be there unless you have a valid excuse. Any uncollected blotter information must be turned in at the meeting. Our picture for the yearbook will be taken at 8:45 tonight in the Magale Recital Hall. Please wear your coat and badge for the picture.

***Black Student Association***

The Black Student Association will be giving a reception at the Alumni House to honor the members of the 1994 Homecoming Court at 7 p.m. Thursday. The dress is semi—formal. Come and show your support.

***Sigma Sigma Sigma***

Sigmas, the Mary Kay make over party will be at 6:30 p.m. Wed., at the house. Remember that we will be taking group pictures at 8 p.m. Thursday. The Tau Kappa Epsilon exchange is scheduled for Thursday night, someone will call you to give you more information. Don't forget to pay your dues before Harvest, if this is a problem, contact Lauren. Mandatory decorating for Harvest will be from 2 to 4 p.m. in the Alley on Friday. Brenda Poynter won the raffle last week. Don't forget your study hall hours.

***Alpha Kappa Alpha***

The 1994 Fall Rush will be at 8 p.m. today in the President's Room of the Student Union. All ladies are encouraged to attend.

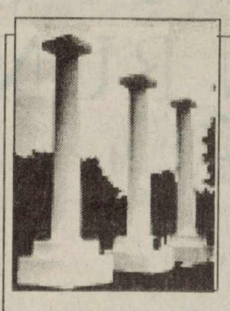
The Second Annual Homecoming Step Off Greek Show will be at 8 p.m. Oct. 21 in the IM Building. Tickets prices are $3 in advance and $5 the day of the show. You may purchase a ticket from any member.

***Purple Jackets***

Purple Jackets will meet on Oct. 12 in Rm. 321 Student Union at 7:30. Please bring scrapbook pictures

***Delta Sigma Theta***

The Iota Mu chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority will hold an informational meeting for interested ladies on Oct. 13 in Rm. 321 Student Union at 5 p.m. Please do not be discou rged to atted because of specific rumors. The sorority does not judge one's personal life, just the dedication one can give to its principles and guidelines.



# CampusForum

Letters to the editor should be no more than 500 words and must include the signature of the author, the author's classification, major and phone number for fact verification. Letters must be in good taste, truthful and free of libel, malice and personal controversy. Inclusion of any and all material is left to the discretion of the editor.

### Mick Dorsey

We all know, Monday, Oct. 10, was the observed holiday for Christopher Columbus. Columbus, by far, was no man to pay homage to for being a so called new founder. He was, in fact, a major role-player in contributing to the list of men, like in other countries, for initiating mass destruction of a culture by murdering, raping, torturing and maiming people who were not of Caucasian decent.

To sum things up, I'll leave you with this excerpt from a book entitled, *The True Story of the Columbus Invasion* by Mike Ely, "The ruling classes have their view of Columbus and the last five hundred years. The voyages of Columbus mark a starting point of world capitalism and the beginning of European colonial domination of the world. That is what the ruling powers want everyone to celebrate. But it won't go down like that. The oppressed people have a different view . . . The proletariat and the oppressed peoples see nothing to celebrate. The Columbus anniversary is a celebration of mass murder, slavery and conquest. More: it exalts the continuing oppression of billions of people today. Columbus is something only oppressors (or fools) could celebrate."

So who's the real illegal alien.

### Heather Honore

Nostalgia is a wonderful thing to write about. For that I applaud your Oct. 4, 1994 column. I, too, can remember being glued to the television and watching *Voltron*, Van Halen and *Moonlighting*. It all just serves to remind me of how far I've come since the 80s. However, you, Mr. Steiner, still have a long way to go. AIDS is not a "morally wrong lifestyle disease."

AIDS is a cruel disease that can strike anyone at any time. This includes your heterosexual next door neighbor, a two-year-old hemophiliac child and God forbid, even your own brother or sister. Open your eyes, ears and especially your heart. We don't have time to philosophize what or who is morally correct. We need to stop pointing fingers and looking for scapegoats.

It's been said that by the year 2000, everyone in America will know someone with AIDS. I already do. Mr. Steiner, if that someone comes to you for understanding will you turn away? The 80s was a great time to grow up for some, but that decade is over — it's the 90s. While you sit in your apartment "watching *Love Boat* reruns and sipping Metamucil," the rest of us will be trying to hold it together.

### Name Withheld

I am writing to you about a recent matter that is of some concern to me. Recently, three very capable teachers — two from Louisiana Scholars' College and one from Northwestern's English dept. — stood before the tenure board . . . . and were denied. Those who have heard of this issue and know these professors wonder what led the tenure board to make its decisions.

In analyzing this, one must first look at what the tenure committee is, who it is composed of and the consequences of its rejections. Though no one will speak directly to me about this matter, I can say that the tenure committee is a panel that decides whether a teacher should be kept on and given a professorship with all of the rights and privileges that correspond with this honor — including an almost guaranteed position. Who this board is composed of remains a mystery to me as well as many others, although the consequences of its rejection are quite severe — one year to find another job. These decisions are made without giving explanations to those involved. Apparently, Northwestern has been sued over such things. This has a definite Orwellian flavor to it, doesn't it?

What is disturbing about this is that capable professors who do their jobs well, care about their students, recruit students to come to Northwestern and hold Ph.D.s from universities such as Columbia and Harvard cannot meet the tremendous requirements of a tenured faculty member at Northwestern State University. Surely, if these professors were unable to do their jobs, they would not have remained here as long as they have. They would not have been entrusted with the great amount of responsibility that they have carried throughout their years here.

Another thing that troubles me about this issue is that certain members of the committee who were untenured until this very hearing were allowed to include their opinions in the decision. Should faculty members who have not been through this process themselves (and in some cases have less experience) be allowed to determine whether tenure is deserved? This puzzles me. In major corporations, promotions are given by senior staff and are based on job performance. Even federal government agencies handle things in this manner. Surely, Northwestern is not more selective than agencies such as the CIA or the FBI.

This leaves another question — Why? Is Northwestern soon to become one of the great elite institutions of our land, in competition with Harvard or Yale? It remains to be seen, but while we're climbing up the ladder to success, maybe we ought to remember that we haven't made it yet.

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9:00 Sociology Club

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By Kelly Campbell

National Student News Service, 1994

# HALSELL: Astronaut talks of space experience

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Halsell helped take over 4,000 pictures of Earth using color visual and color photographs.

Halsell witnessed the effects of farmers burning crops in preparation for upcoming seasons, saw Hurricane Amelia when the shuttle flew over the eye of the storm and observed meteors entering Earth's atmosphere.

The astronauts celebrated the 25th anniversary of the first lunar landing while on the flight.

Finally, the film centered on the space shuttle's landing.

"Below 50,000 feet, the shuttle is just like any other airplane except it's not a very good one," Halsell said. "The shuttle certainly lands faster than any other airplane I've had to fly."

The space shuttle initially used an 18-degree flight slope, though the slope eventually became 1.5 degrees. The nose came up and the landing gear came down 20 seconds prior to touchdown. The drag chute popped out and was discarded when the shuttle slowed down to 60 knots. Then the pilot braked.

Ideally, a pilot lands the shuttle at 200 knots. The pilot landed this one at 199.2 knots.

Halsell next answered questions about life in space.

"Actually, cleanliness is important, because if you drop something in space, it doesn't just land — it floats around," Halsell said.

Trash goes into thick plastic bags which astronauts seal and place underfloor.

The astronauts take sponge baths and use waterless shampoo. They use wet wipes to keep hands clean.

As there is no gravity to assist, astronauts use a technique for using the bathroom called the Conrad bounce to separate waste from the body while the suction pump on the toilet packs the waste into a canister.

After the second day, the brain ignores contrasting signals and reinterprets vision cues while the stomach also adjusts.

Astronauts exercise often, because muscles, including the heart, are not used as much in space.

Halsell said he trained for over four years for the mission and said that only about one-third of astronauts are pilots with military test pilot training, while the others are scientists and technicians of various backgrounds.

Halsell also said that he would fly on another space shuttle — the STS-74 — in a year. A rendezvous will take place with a Russian group, and work will begin on a section for a space station.

# THERIEN: Professor unhappy about leaving

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"The question many people ended up having and the question that many were encouraged to ask was whether the divisional chair did in fact support the recommendation of the faculty committee."

Many of Therien's and Sturman's students joined the quest to discover the reasons behind the tenure denials. In fact, more than 30 students met on Sept. 24 in front of President Alost's home to protest and demand answers.

According to Dawn Miller, a Scholars' College junior and co-organizer of the event, the protest was a "cry" for information.

"We just want to know why they were denied and we are very upset that they were denied. College campuses are a place where you are supposed to be able to stand up and say 'This is what I believe in.'"

Therien has never had a problem expressing his beliefs. He has been outspoken on such subjects as David Duke's candidacy for Louisiana governor and gay rights since the beginning of his employment with the Scholars' College. He also spoke out against the war with Iraq and at one time wrote a letter to the *Current Sauce* in favor of abortion rights.

Still Therien is reluctant to say whether his outspokenness contributed to the denial of tenure. He has considered several other reasons, including budget cuts and the changing focus of the college in which fewer professors are required. Therien said that the new focus was becoming evident, even in the spring.

"After the decision was made [to deny tenure] other things started happening," he said. "They started moving people who had been in the Scholars' College from the beginning out of courses they normally taught and moving other people into those slots from outside the College. It is not true that their movement out of the core was necessitated by any kind of core schedule that preexisted the decision to move them out of the core. They were moved out of the core because the decision was made to let other people in."

Therien left for his new position in Wisconsin with the same unanswered questions he has had for the past five months. And, while he is disappointed with the turn of events at the Scholars' College, he said he will look forward to the challenges and opportunities ahead with Beloit.

"I'll be assisting the officer that essentially oversees the academic programs of the whole college," he said. "I'll be helping people there think about the curriculum of the college." Therien officially assumed his role with Beloit yesterday.

# HEALTH CARE: Students have mixed feelings on coverage, service

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The insurance policy doesn't cover everything, but it does cover vehicular accidents and pregancy costs—providing that the students becomes pregnant after the time the policy went into effect.

To make a claim, students must obtain a company claim form, fill it out, attach medical bills, and mail it to the address provided. The claim must be filed within 30 days of injury or sickness.

The company must receive the bill within 90 days of service to be considered for payment. The policy will pay up to $1000 for an injury. Brochures on the policy are available in the infirmary.

Wanting health insurance is not the problem for many students once they are cut off from their parents insurance, the abiltiy to pay for the coverage is. Legally, all hospitals are required to treat emergencies (such as gunshot wounds, heart attacks, appendicitis), regardless of ability to pay.

Most cancers, tuberculosis, and other diseases are not considered emergencies, and most hospitals are not anxious about treating people who can't pay. According to *Rock the System: A Guide to Health Care Reform for Young Americans,* an estimated one in five go without health insurance sometimes within a year. More than half of the uninsured population is under 30. And 18-24 year olds are the least likely to have insurance.

Also, when uninsured people have an emergency surgery, the taxpayers and those people with insurance end up paying through higher taxes, higher premiums and inflated medical bills, according to *Rock the System.*

From *Rock the System*,"According to the Kaiser Family Foundation, uninsured patients are twice as likely to be hospitalized for diabetes, high blood pressure, and illnesses, that are preventable by vaccine. They are also three times more likely to die in a hospital than those with health coverage."

"'Illness is the major cause of bankruptcy in this country,' Steffie Woolhandler, a professor at Harvard Medical School, said" in *Rock the System*. "'The average person who enters a nursing home loses all of their savings in thirteen weeks.'"

Although Northwestern students want health insurance once they are no longer covered by their parents or the school, many question whether they will be able to afford it.

"If I can afford it, I will get it," Schneyer said. "But from what I see what my parents pay, I don't see me affording it right off the bat."

It is questionable that they be able to afford not having health insurance.

# GENIE: Online system updates Watson Library

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resources."

"This will be a fabulous resource for students and it compares to all academic library catalog systems," Dr. Martha Henderson, coordinator of library automation, said. "It is very fast and gives you many more options than the card catalog."

Roxie Braxton, Northwestern librarian, said, "During Black History month more students will be able to receive information about their culture.

For people accessing information it will be great," she said. "Northwestern was in dire need of this program."

Jim Henderson, former Northwestern student, said, "This is the finest tool for educational minds and it will expand the students' minds to all extremes."

According to Jarred, GENIE is simple to learn. "It's very easy," she said. "We find that students today are very adaptable with computerization. In fact, they love to ignore the card catalog. They come and look for computer terminals. I would say they are very well adjusted to it."

"In the 21st Century dorm students will be able to tap in from their dorm rooms with their computers and for no reason have to leave their room to get information from the library," Harold Boutte, director of housing, said.

"This is the age of the computers and with the right modem, access will even be possible from your house," Braxton said.

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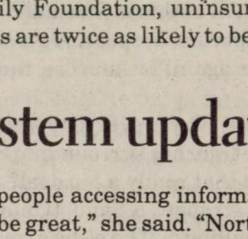
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# Natchitoches Pilgrimage draws record numbers despite rain

Susan Kliebert
*Current Sauce*

Despite the rainy weather, hundreds of tourists still visited the many historic homes and plantations in Natchitoches. Tours were held for two days as part of the 40th annual Natchitoches Pilgrimage.

The Natchitoches Historic Foundation, Inc. and the Association for the Preservation of Historic Natchitoches sponsored the tours. All proceeds go into the preservation and restoration of the historic homes.

The Association for the Preservation of Historic Natchitoches' Town Tour included the Lemee House, the Laureate House, the William and Mary House, the Prudhomme-Rouquier House and the Tauzin Plantation home.

This tour featured quilt displays, French heirloom sewing, old-fashioned sugar-cookie baking, doll making and French chansons and verses by children. The Service League of Natchitoches, Inc. also sold its new cookbook, *Cane River's Louisiana Living*.

The Natchitoches Historic Foundation, Inc. offered a Town Tour which included the Cloutier Town House, Tante Huppe House, the Chamard-Dunahoe House, Chaplin House and Rose Lawn.

"We were very pleased," Lola Dunahoe, owner of the Chamard-Dunahoe house, said. "Even with the rain, people still came."

The Historic Foundation also offered a Candlelight Tour from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday. The houses featured on that tour were Green Gables, the Pierson-Lucky House, the Crette-Hearron-Long House and the Dupleix-Taylor House.

Cherokee Plantation, Melrose Plantation and the Kate Chopin Home-Bayou Folk Museum were featured on the Association's Cane River Country Tour.

Cherokee, which was given is name by the slaves who worked there because of the Cherokee roses growing on the plantation, was the highlight of the tour. A reenactment of the Bossier-Gaiennie Duel was performed there by theater students.

The performance, written by Terry Byars, theater professor, is an original piece, entitled *Duel on the Savannah*. The story is based on the original duel. theater students Dustin Sanders, Jay DeFelice, Eric C. Amburg and Greg Romero starred in the performance.

Melrose plantation, home of the late primitive artist Clementine Hunter, opened its three separate houses — the Big House, the African House and the Yucca House — to the public.

The Historic Foundation's Cane River Plantation Tour included Beau Fort and Magnolia plantations. The Magnolia Plantation tour featured a Civil War reenactment. Visitors to this tour also witnessed *The Slaying of the Overseer* and the *Battle of Cloutierville*.

Both tours included free admission to various historical sites around Natchitoches. These sites included Bishop Martin Museum, Church of the Immaculate Conception, Trinity Baptist Church, St. Augustine Church and Cemetery, Cunningham Law Office, Trinity Episcopal Church, Roque House, Badin-Roque House and American Cemetery.

Some local and Natchitoches residents conducted the tours in authentic costumes from the 1700s and 1800s. Saidee Newell, member of the Association of the Preservation of Historic Natchitoches, said they had no problems finding volunteers.

"We had over 300 volunteers," Newell said. "That's what makes th town so interesting.

This tour not only educates the public who come to see it, but I think it gets our towns people interested in tourism."

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# Congress holds the line on financial aid programs

On Sept. 20, congressional negotiators approved a first-ever cap on the number of students who can receive Pell Grants. The decision is part of a larger bill which also freezes funding for many student financial aid programs.

The House/Senate Education Spending Bill for 1995 provides a $40 increase in the maximum Pell Grant, to $2,340 next year. However, total spending for new grants would drop by $60 million, and Congress would limit to 3.9 million the number of students receiving aid.

"It means students who apply near the end of the line may not get any money at all," said Laura McClintock, legislative director of the United States Student Association (USSA).

Supporters of the cap say it is a one-time-only ceiling that students are unlikely to reach. But McClintock said 3.8 million students received Pell Grants last year, and the usage rates are on the rise.

USSA also criticized the small $40 increase in the maximum Pell Grant. The White House recommended a $100 increase to $2,400 to restore cuts enacted two years ago in tight budget times.

"We're very disappointed," McClintock said. The maximum grant "is not even back to the $2,400 level it was under the Bush administration."

Congressional aides said lawmakers still support Pell and other financial aid programs. Yet they noted Congress faces budget pressures from a 1990 agreement that imposes tight spending caps within specific categories of programs, including most domestic spending.

"Unfortunately, there's a lot of competition out there for limited dollars," McClintock said.

Spending restrictions also were evident in Congress' recommendations for other financial aid programs, most of which received cuts or freezes. Work/study funds would remain unchanged at $616 million, despite a $100 million increase proposed by the White House for next year.

Congress also would maintain Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants at the present $583 million.

The largest cut came in State Student Incentive Grants, another program used by low-income students. Congress reduced funding by 12 percent to $63 million,. The House offered $54 million and the Senate sought a freeze at $72 million.

Congress did manage to preserve the Perkins Loan program at $176 million, $3 million more than current funding. The White House had proposed cutting all new funding.

USSA is sponsoring a Students Are Voting Everywhere (SAVE) campaign on campuses to find support for financial aid programs.

The House/Senate negotiations followed passage of separate education bills in each chamber. The government's new fiscal year begins Oct. 1.

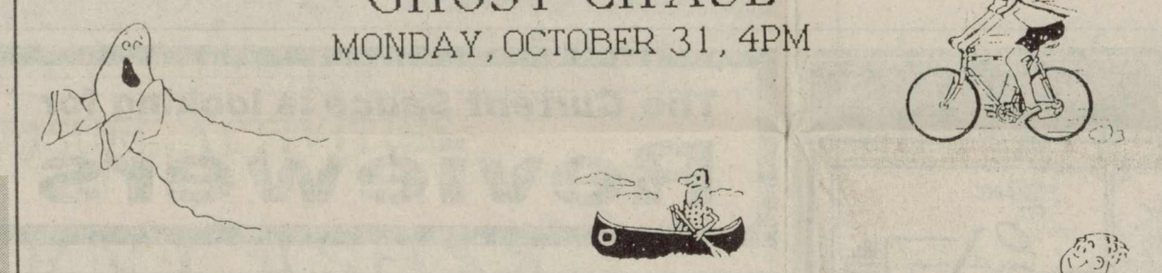
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| Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants | $583M | $583M | $583M | $583M |
| Federal Work-Study | $617M | $717M | $617M | $617M |
| Perkins Loan | $158M | —0— | $158M | $138M |
| State Student Incentive Grants | $ 72M | —0— | $ 54M | $ 72M |
| TRIO | $419M | $436M | $463M | $463M |

* *Excludes Pell Grant Shortfall Funding*

(Source: American Council on Education)

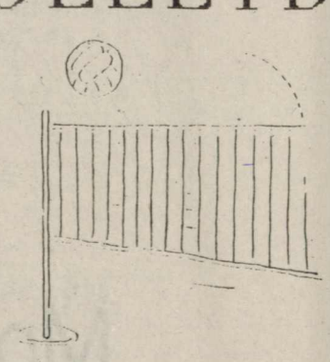
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# Tim Robbins talks of prison life and happy endings

Ian Spelling
*College Press Service*

NEW YORK—That air of innocence Tim Robbins always seems to bring to his roles—in such films as *Bull Durham, Jacob's Ladder, Hudsucker Proxy* and even *The Player* (where his character was deliciously guilty)—has never been put to better use than in *The Shawshank Redemption.*

Likely to go down, and deservedly so, as one of the 1994's best films, *Shawshank,* based on Stephen King's novella "Rita Hayworth and the Shawshank Redemption," casts Robbins as Andy Dufresne, a quiet Maine banker sent to the brutal Shawshank prison in 1946 for killing his cheating wife and her lover.

At the prison, the reserved Dufresne, who insists he's innocent, keeps to himself, but slowly builds a friendship with Red (Morgan Freeman), Shawshank's wise get-you-anything guy.

He also manages to foster more humane conditions for his fellow prison and earn preferential treatment for himself by handling the guard's taxes and siphoning bribe payoffs and other illegally gotten funds into foreign bank accounts for the prison's Bible-spouting, money-hungry warden (Bob Gunton).

Though at times incredibly bleak, the film is full of hope as it explores the 20-year friendship between Dufresne and Red and works to live up to its title. "I've been in so many cynical-ending films—not that there's anything wrong with that; I think all those films really worked for what they were," Robbins said, during an interview at the Manhattan offices of Sony Pictures. "I just always look for something different as an actor, and this script was so exhilarating and uplifting at the end. I have to say it was one of the big drawing points, without it being hokey. There are a lot of films you see with happy endings stapled on. This one has a seamless journey toward that ending."

Getting inside Andy Dufresne's head was perhaps the actor's most important task in bringing the character to life. To do so, Robbins interviewed several inmates at a prison in Mansfield, Ohio, about a mile from the shuttered facility where *Shawshank* was actually filmed. Further, Robbins, spent a few hours in a solitary confinement cell to get a taste of the ordeal.

"To be honest, although I could imagine what it was like, I knew inside I was getting out in a couple of hours," he said. "So it wasn't any incredible, grief-filled experience. But it gave me an idea of the sound of the place, a concept of what it was like to be locked up.

I found myself gravitating toward the cell's window, watching any kind of movement I could find, even a blade of grass moving in the wind. The most exciting thing was seeing a bird fly."

When it came time to move before the cameras, Robbins was ready. "It was what when unspoken that was important for this character, what was going on in his eyes. The gradual, subtle changes that happen in him (over time) were a nice challenge to me. There were physical things as well. How do you play someone 50 years old? You can't stoop over and be an old man, but there's a pain in the lower back and slight hunch. There's a slower gait in his step."

Also helping Robbins to breathe life into his performance was two-time Oscar nominee Morgan Freeman. Robbins said that Freeman was a joy to work with and the type of actor who's as good off cameras, in rehearsal, as he is on final takes.

"Some actors have their best stuff for in front of the camera," Robbins said. "You often times act with them off-camera, remembering what they did on camera. With Morgan, it was never that way. He was always completely there for me. I like to change things subtly and give different colors to different lines. Morgan is able to go with you but also takes you down a different road by taking what you've done and subtly changing it. So, it was always fresh. For me, the most satisfying scenes were those in which we were in the same frame, where you could really see that happen. It wasn't about camera angles and close-ups. It was simply about the relationship between these two guys."

Lately, Robbins, who lives in downtown Manhattan with longtime lady friend Susan Sarandon and their children, has been a busy, busy guy.

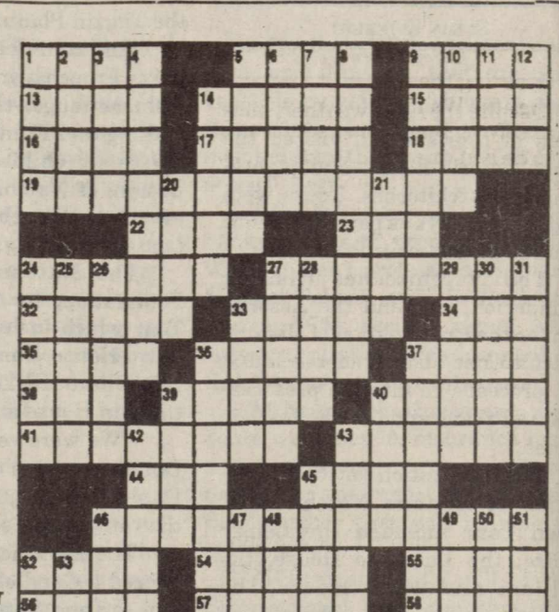
Not only did he write and direct and act in his political satire *Bob Roberts,* but he starred in *Short Cuts, Hudsucker Proxy,* a surprise turkey ("I don't know what happened with that," he says. "The way I look at it is let's watch it in 10 years, and then we'll see."), *Shawshank*, and the upcoming *Pret A Porter* and *I.Q.*



**Tim Robbins stars as Andy Dufresne, a mild-mannered New England banker who is convicted of murder in the "The Shawshank Redemption."**

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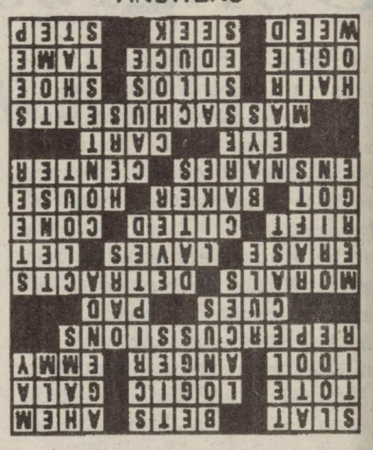


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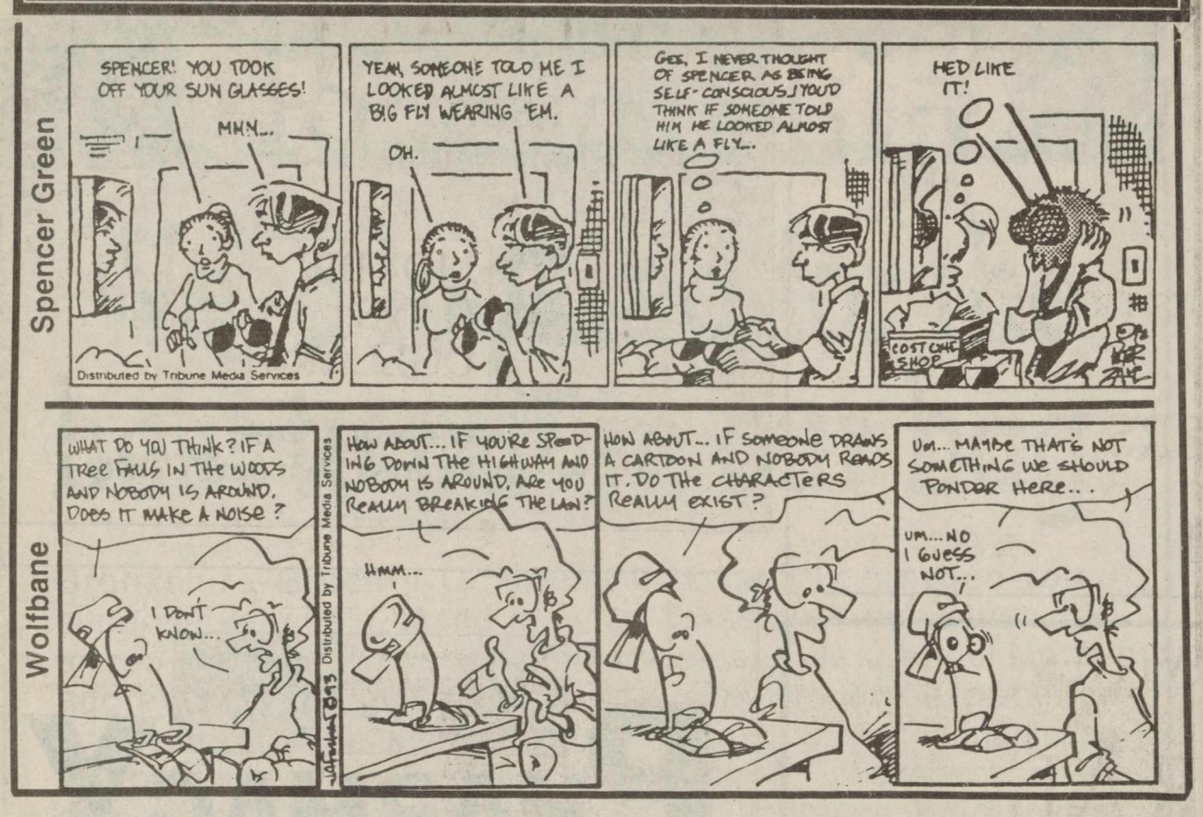
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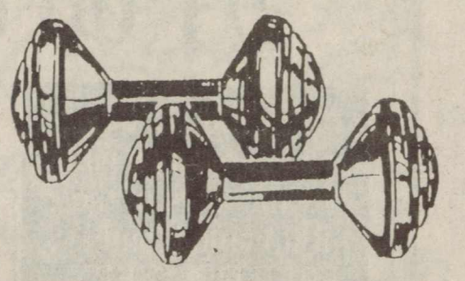



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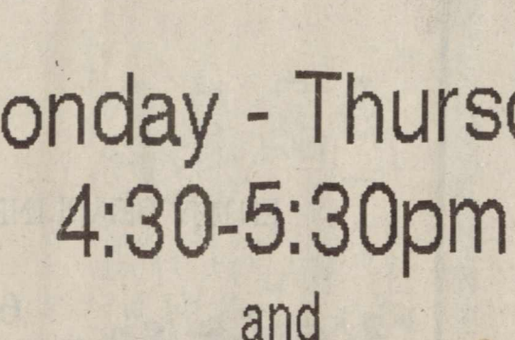


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# BSU undefeated in IM flag football

David Weaver
*Current Sauce*

Leading the way with a 6-0 mark, The Baptist Student Union swept through the Women's Open division of the intramural flag football season, as qualifying teams prepare for the All-Campus Tournament this week.

The BSU marched to the regular season title with a 12-0 win over Phi Mu, the division runner-up, last week. The two teams will meet again today at 4:30 in the Women's Championship Game.

In the men's championship, Alpha Phi Alpha, who won the Greek regular season title with a perfect 6-0 record and is the top-ranked team according to this week's Top Ten Poll, will play Theta Chi (5-1, No. 5 in poll).

CSO-Couillons, last week's top-ranked team, fell to No. 2 this week and finished the season at 5-1, still good enough for tops in the Purple Open division. CSO-Gators, 5-1 and ranked No. 6, also qualified for the tournament.

E & I brought home the Orange Open division crown with a 5-1 mark and a No. 3 Top Ten ranking. Finishing second was Going For Broke (5-1, No. 10).

Seventh-ranked Kappa Sigma Pledge joined Alpha Phi Alpha as the only other undefeated men's team at 6-0. KATN, 5-1 and ranked No. 8, will join Kappa Sigma Pledge as representatives from the Dorm division.

First round games were played yesterday, with semifinal contests slated for Wednesday. The Men's Championship Game will be played at 4:30 p.m. Thursday.

Men's and women's tournament champions will represent Northwestern at the flag football state tournament in New Orleans later this month.

## Flag Football Top 10 Poll Week of 10/10 to 10/17

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 1. | Alpha Phi Alpha | 6-0 |
| 2. | CSO-Couillons | 5-1 |
| 3. | E & I | 5-1 |
| 4. | DA Syndicate | 4-1 |
| 5. | Theta Chi | 5-1 |
| 6. | CSO Gators | 5-1 |
| 7. | Kappa Sigma Pledge | 6-0 |
| 8. | KATN | 5-1 |
| 9. | PCHRC | 5-1 |
| 10. | Going for Broke | 5-1 |

### Top 3 Poll-Women

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 1. | BSU | 6-0 |
| 2. | Phi Mu | 5-1 |
| 3. | CSO-Holy Rollers | 3-3 |

# Alexander's versatility has NFL showing interest

David Weaver
*Current Sauce*

Danny Alexander isn't known for his great burst of sprinter's speed or mind-boggling career statistics.

But the Demons' senior running back has become a candidate for several professional football teams because of one talent that many teams are looking for these days — versatility.

Alexander, at 6-1 and 220 pounds, is a big, strong running back who can get out of the backfield and catch the football. That talent has been enough to earn the Little Rock native a very serious look from several NFL teams.

Houston, Green Bay, Tampa Bay, Denver, Philadelphia, Cleveland, Los Angeles Rams, Los Angeles Raiders and New Orleans have all shown interest in Alexander.

"I've dreamed of playing professional football since I started playing the game in the fourth grade," Alexander said. "Football has always been on my mind and I've basically fallen in love with it. Playing football has become second nature to me, and the chance to play in the pros is a lifelong dream."

Alexander knows his ticket into the NFL will come with his ability to get open as a receiver out of the backfield, and he has worked hard during his college career at Northwestern to improve in that area.

"My ability to catch the football will help me in the pros," Alexander said. "A lot of teams are looking for a running back who can catch the ball before running with it. But for the most part, I've basically filled out questionnaires for some teams. They [the scouts] want to make sure I stay in good shape after the season so I can run my best times in their workouts."



**Alexander**

Since the All-American high school running back graduated from Sylvan Heights High School in Little Rock in 1991, Alexander has played many positions at Northwestern.

Alexander started his career with the Demons as a wide receiver. He has said his early years with the Demons have helped him become a better player overall simply because he was able to play more than one position.

"Playing all those positions here early on has helped me learn the value of hard work," he said. "I've played wide receiver, tailback, fullback and even tight end on occasion. It really increases my value to the team when I can play more than one position."

That value has been evident this season as Alexander has helped lead the Demons to a 3-2 non-conference record as they prepare to face Southland Conference foe Sam Houston State, Saturday.

Alexander is currently second on the team in rushing with 190 yards on 45 carries, with two touchdowns and a 4.2 yards-per-carry average. Alexander trails only fellow tailback Clarence Matthews, who leads the team with 390 yards.

As the elder member of the Demons' running back duo, Alexander feels splitting time with Matthews has helped both players improve as well as giving the opposing defenses headaches because of their differing running styles.

"I play a more physical type of game and Clarence is more of a speed-type back who can break a long run on any play," Alexander said. "Our different styles pose problems for the defenses in that they have to prepare for both of us. We also are able to talk on the sideline and let each other know what goes on qut on the field during our series. We work really well together."

Alexander admits that at first he was a little upset about having to share time during his senior year, but quickly realized the two-back rotation is best for the team. The value of both runners was evident in the third game of this season against Nicholls State.

Alexander started the game and gained 38 yards in four carries on the Demons' opening drive, capping it with a powerful 15-yard touchdown burst. Matthews then scored Northwestern's second touchdown minutes later with a 76-yard scamper.

"At first I didn't really know what to expect, but the situation has worked out for the best," he said. "Clarence and I can both be more effective because both of us stay fresh and that helps the offense as a whole."

Alexander has high hopes for his senior season at Northwestern, which has already experienced several highs and lows going into the bulk of conference play. He really believes the team can do some special things this season for the Demon football program following the big upset win over then-No. 4 ranked Troy State on Oct. 1.

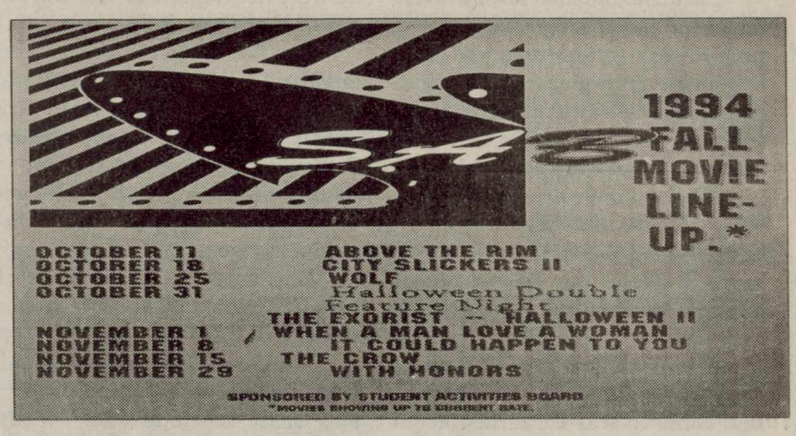
"Beating Troy State was very big for us because it proved that we could win a big game," Alexander said. "In the past we had always seemed to lose the really big games that could have helped us in the standings. The way we responded following the East Texas game [a 28-24 Demon loss Sept. 24] against Troy State proves that our football team can bounce back and beat anybody. We think we've got just as good a shot as anyone to win it."

A conference title would certainly look good on his resume. And for Danny Alexander, that resume just keeps looking better.


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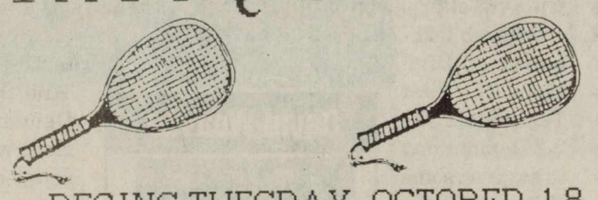





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# Cross Country takes second in tournament

MIKE WHITMIRE
*Current Sauce*

Danielle Schaeffer and Ruth Muniz led Northwestern's women's Cross Country team to a second-place finish at the Pelican Cup Louisiana State Cross Country Championships Saturday in New Orleans.

McNeese State, with five of the top 13 finishers, won the women's championship with 41 points, and the Lady Demons, ranked No. 9 in the district VI Poll, finished with 76 points in the 15-team event.

Northwestern's men finished fifth out of 13 teams with 119 points. Louisiana Tech won the championship with 63 points.

Schaeffer finished seventh overall in the 5,000 meter race with a time of 19:06, and Muniz was right behind in eighth-place in 19:12. Both runners earned all-state cross country honors for finishing in the top 10 and their times were personal bests.

"Both runners are running very well right now, and they are healthy," Lady Demon Coach Dean Johnson, said. "Danielle has been training super, and Ruth has been training very well."

Muniz had suffered electrolyte depletion in the NSU Invitational, and Johnson was concerned about how it would effect her in Saturday's race.

"We were worried, but she made it through fine," he said. "It was a little cooler and overcast, so the weather helped out."

Robin Meyers finished 16th in 19:41, Laura Oubre was 20th in 19:56 and Carla Davison finished 25th in 20:08 to round out Northwestern's top five finishers.

Although Johnson thought the Lady Demons had a chance of winning the meet, he was pleased with his squad's performance Saturday.

"Right now McNeese's top five is a little stronger," he noted. "But we cut our gap time from the first-to-fifth runners down and we competed well. Tactically, we ran a smarter race and it showed. They went out a little harder at the beginning and we were able to hold off the University of New Orleans."

Tim Rosas was the Demon's top finisher in the men's race. Rosas was 13th with a time of 26:46. Kris Jimenez was 15th in 26:51, Kerry Gray was 23rd in 27:20, Robert Bonner finished 28th in 27:37 and Jeremy Huffman came in 41st with a time of 28:32.

Northwestern has a week off before it goes to the NLU Invitational Oct. 21 in Monroe.

"We need to get some training back in to get ready for the Conference Championships," Johnson said. "We've got three weeks to get everybody ready to go by October 31."

## Top Finisher



**Tim Rosas was the Demons' top finisher at the Pelican Cup Louisiana State Cross Country Championship Saturday in New Orleans**

PHOTO BY JEFF FLETCHER

# Demons need fan support to become winning team

**David Weaver**



**SPORTS TALK**

Home field advantage.

Of all the various sports terms bantered about by so-called experts today, this particular phrase perhaps carries the least meaning. Just exactly what does it mean? Or, to put it in more relatable terms, what does it mean at Northwestern?

The Demons were facing nationally-ranked Troy State last week at Turpin Stadium and only a relative handful of students and faculty bothered to show up.

It took bringing Southern University and its faithful following to fill Turpin Stadium in the season opener, and by the final period it seemed as though the game had somehow shifted to Baton Rouge. The other home games for Northwestern have been filled with booing and discontent.

Am I missing something, or is there some kind of problem here?

The Demons put Northwestern on the map that night against Troy State, a program which compares favorably with any other in the country. Even after sleepwalking through a miserable 28-24 upset loss at the hands of Division II East Texas State, the 2-2 Demons had to be given some shimmer of hope on facing the Trojans at home.

But from my view in the press box, the band almost outnumbered everyone else behind the Demons' bench. The official game attendance of a little over 5,000 didn't do that view any justice. It looked more like 500.

I'm sure Troy State couldn't help holding in a chuckle when they stepped onto the field in front of a hostile crowd of . . . nobody. Imagine the way the Trojans must have licked their chops and waited impatiently for the opening kickoff. No enemy territory here.

And imagine the way the Demons must have felt. Here was a group of people representing Northwestern in a contest against a tough opponent and no one cared enough to show up. Yes, they had embarrassed themselves against East Texas.

But, is that any way to show support, by just not coming to the game?

Every Saturday I see great college programs like Notre Dame, Michigan and Miami playing before packed houses. Sure, these teams are major challengers for the national championship every season, but one thing they never have to worry about is fan support.

Bring on the Florida States, the Colorados, the Ohio States, they say. We've got the 12th man waiting in our stadium.

But that has never been the case here at Northwestern. Of course, it helps to have a winning football team, and the Demons have certainly witnessed their fair share of losing the past few seasons, while not actually stinking up the joint, either.

The one thing that gets me is that, with all the bad-mouthing of the players and coaches, what is the goal? Is it that we yearn for a winning football team and some respect from perennial playoff contenders such as Troy State?

If so, then the Demons have answered the question resoundingly. Going into this week's game with Sam Houston, Northwestern's football program has its best chance of winning the Southland Conference championship since 1988. Three conference opponents will visit Turpin Stadium in the coming weeks, including favorites North Texas and McNeese.

Southwest Texas will be a road game, but the Bobcats are mired in a rebuilding phase of their program. Louisiana Tech will be a big test, but is not a conference foe.

Stephen F. Austin will host the Demons in the regular season finale, the toughest road game the Demons will play all season. What will await the visiting conference foes here in Natchitoches?

Scenes such as the one witnessed against Troy State will do the Demons no good. Although, as I had moved down to the field with about two minutes left in the game, that small group of *real* fans was making more noise than any group of 15,000 ever could.

The band was rocking and the stands were rolling. What if, say, 12,000 people showed up and were doing this? Perhaps then the prospect of playing on a smooth artificial surface and getting an easy win would not appeal to visiting teams so much.

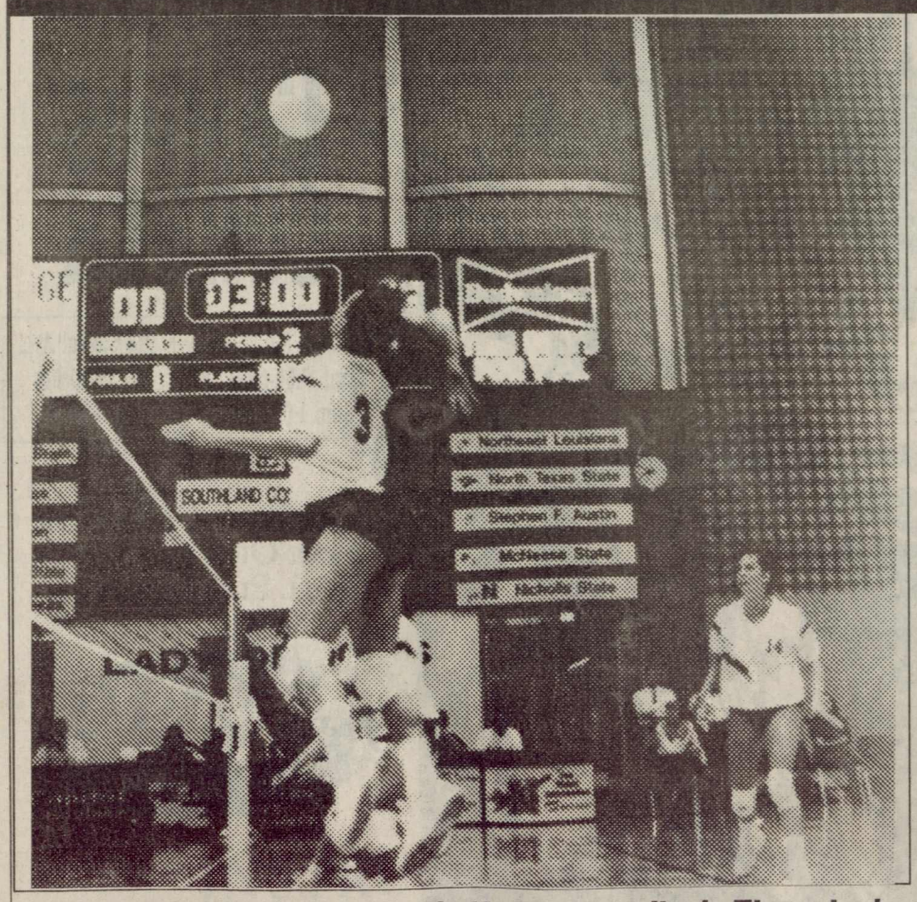
The message is this: if Northwestern really wants to enjoy the football season, it should get behind its football team.

Not just during the big wins but also the heart-breaking losses. Fickle fans never make good fans. I have never seen a winning team that didn't have great fan support.

The Demons have proven they are willing to do their part. The choice is now up to the rest of us.

Call it put up or shut up time for Northwestern "fans." If we decide to put up, then the season can start Saturday. For those who want to shut up, please don't ruin it for the rest of us.

## Going for the Kill



**Lady Demon Kim Jesiolowski attempts a spike in Thursday's Southland Conference loss to Stephen F. Austin Thursday. Northwestern went 1-5 for the week to fall to 0-3 in conference play and 6-7 overall.**

PHOTO BY JEFF FLETCHER

# Half-Niter, Homecoming mile lead IM events

AMY WISDOM
*Current Sauce*

With additions to staff, special events and facilities, Northwestern's leisure activities program offers students a growing variety of sports and activities.

Scott Bruscatto, a graduate of Northeastern Louisiana University, is the new coordinator for leisure activities. He supervises the many programs available and the special events that leisure activities sponsors throughout the year.

Bruscatto brings with him the first NSU/Natchitoches Homecoming Mile, a one-mile fun run the morning of Northwestern's homecoming game. Entry fee for the race is $5 and each runner will receive an NSU/Natchitoches Homecoming Mile tee-shirt. Bruscatto said the run is for students and the community and he hopes it becomes an annual homecoming event, such as the Half-Niter.

Half-Niter is a night of team games and scavenger hunt. Taking clues given after each round of games, teams search the campus for the two tokens worth $200 each. Half-Niter is Oct. 19 in the gymnasium of the IM Building.

Sarah Kiely, a graduate student who is the new marketing director for leisure activities, said special events are always popular with students. "They are like a little break from school," Kiely said. "We usually have good prizes, including money, which everybody likes." An Intramural Council, also new this semester, will promote intramural sports, make recommendations, and settle eligibility problems. The six member board comprises representatives from Catholic Student Organization, Intramural student employees, dorms and fraternities.

*"College is not just going to class and studying, we all need to have a little fun too"*

ALICIA COUSINS
IM COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE

Alicia Cousins, a senior from New Orleans, represents Dodd Hall and Alpha Kappa Alpha on the IM Council. She said there is a need for a governing board due to past problems with player eligibility in intramural sports. "I'm glad we have this. Last year when we had a problem with eligibility, we did not have anyone to make our case to."

Cousins added that the council is a good way to promote the intramural activities and get more students involved. "Some people don't run fast or jump high," she said. "They aren't eligible for varsity sports, so they can come join intramural sports and have fun with it. This is for them. College is not just going to class and studying, we all need to have a little fun too." Cousins is organizing a co-ed volleyball league.

Kiely agrees that there is always room for more student involvement. "Many students do participate. It's not like you will go and be the only person there. There is always going to be something going on and a team that will want you. You don't have to have a big group to come and participate. Kiely suggests that students go by the IM building and see what facilities are available for them. "Many people don't realize we have pool tables, bicycles, fishing gear and even VCRs," she said. "All of these facilities are here for the students."

The fitness center is among those facilities available. Bruscatto said $6,000 worth of equipment has been purchased, including two stairmasters, new machine weights and dumbbells. The center is supervised by student employees and is open to all students noon to 8 p.m. and to women only 8 to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

Aerobics classes are held at 4:30 p.m. and 8 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

For outdoor recreation, canoes and pedal boats are available at Chaplins Lake, and teams sports are regularly scheduled.

The IM Building is open 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 6 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, and 1 to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Scheduled activities are posted weekly through the leisure activities "blackboard blitz" in classrooms, on hallway posters, on KNWD radio, in the *Current Sauce* and on channel 6 community bulletin board.



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Terry Byars brings talent, experience to NSU theater productions



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Stunning 54-0 victory brings new outlook to Demon football

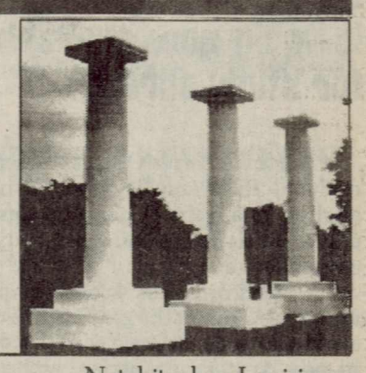


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# CurrentSauce

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# Faculty Senate works to distribute raises fairly

JANE BALDWIN
*Current Sauce*

In an effort to be competitive with other universities, 29 faculty members were given salary raises in the fall, but 195 faculty members were left with empty pockets.

According to Dr. Thomas Hanson, president of the faculty senate committee, their reaction was just as he expected.

"If you figure you have about 240 faculty members and only 29 received raises, that's 190 who didn't," Hanson said. "We have to fix that problem."

The faculty senate committee met Sept. 20 to discuss the salary increases. According to Thomas, $80,000 was needed to fund the 29 salary adjustments to meet with the College and University Personnel Association levels.



**Hanson**

The University spent $452,000 on hiring new faculty to meet with CUPA standards. Northwestern presently employs 287 full-time faculty, but 300 faculty are needed for the enrollment size of the University.

According to the 1994 Southern Regional Education Board report, regional and national salary averages are important benchmarks and goals for states. For college and university faculty, states need to be competitive with those at similar institutions in other states.

Louisiana college faculty rank the lowest among salaries of other faculty of southern colleges and universities. "Our objective is to get everybody to the state average," Thomas said. "After the state average, we want to meet with the SREB and CUPA average."

In an effort to reach the state average, the University used the "high merit" system to decide who would receive the first salary increases. In Hanson's report to President Robert Alost, 36 faculty members received the "highest merit" ranking at least once during the last five years.

Professors are ranked by their performance in three categories — merit, high merit and highest merit. "We have an evaluation performed by our department chairman at an annual bases," Hanson said. "The chairman decides whether to give you merit or high merit and whether to nominate you for highest merit."

The nominations go before the academic council, composed of the department and division heads, and they decide who gets the highest merit ranking.

If the salary adjustments are approved by the Board of Trustees and the money is available, faculty salary raises are awarded based on the merit ranking.

According to Hanson, the salary adjustments are not the "long-awaited" merit increases promised by the administration. "These reflect the desire to move all faculty to the appropriate regional and/or national average for their rank and discipline.

"We were able to to move more than 10 percent of Northwestern's faculty closer to the appropriate average . . . . It is just the beginning, but it is the first step in the right direction."

According to Alost, the University received a special state budget allocation of $1.1 million of which $488,000 will be withheld for faculty and staff salary increases when released. The $488,000 for the faculty has not been approved from State Board of Trustees. According to Hanson, they do not know when the money will be released.

Dr. Edward Graham, vice-president of academic affairs, said Alost had tried to make the $488,000 salary increase a permanent part of the budget.

"Dr. Alost has put into place a committee, a faculty salary committee, that has faculty and staff representation," Hanson said. "There are two subcommittees, a faculty subcommittee and a staff subcommittee, because it was appropriate since there is such a wide difference in faculty and staff.

"It will be the responsibility of the faculty salary analysis and review committee to insure that when the $488,000 is released to Northwestern, all faculty members will make significant steps toward reaching the appropriate norms for their rank and discipline."

**NSU's Top Raise-Getters**

| Name | $ salary increase | New salary | Reason for Change |
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| Patricia Pierson | $14,000 | $48,000 | Additional duties as dept. head of Family and Consumer Science |
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## World Report

### CAMPUS

**MIDTERM GRADES AVAILABLE THIS WEEK:** Midterm grades will be available from 8 to 4:30 Wednesday and Thursday in the Student Union Ballroom. Midterm grades will not be available after Thursday. Students attending off-campus sites must contact those campuses for information regarding midterm grades.

**EARLY REGISTRATION TO BEGIN IN NOVEMBER:** Student request cards for early registration will be available for pick-up on Nov. 15 and 16 in the Student Union Ballroom. Advising and early registration for the spring will be in departments Nov. 16 and 17.

**THE DIVISION OF CONTINUING EDUCATION TO OFFER GRE COURSES:** The Division of Continuing Education will offer courses to potential graduate students to enhance their performance on the Graduate Record Exam. The prep courses will be begin Oct. 29. Other courses are scheduled from 9 to 5 Nov. 5, 12 and 19.

### CITY

**AREA STORES NOT HURT BY SUPER WAL-MART'S COMPETITION:** Wal-Mart offers many extras such as an eye center and a dry cleaners in one place to ease the shopping of their customers. Area stores say the added competition is not hurting their businesses.

### STATE

**CIVIL WAR STEAMBOAT EXCAVATION TO BEGIN SOON:** Identification of the Civil War era steamboat, Eastboat, has moved one step further with the recent opening of bids for the excavation contract. M. R. Dillard construction of Nashville, Tenn., outbid six other contractors from Arkansas., Texas, Mississippi and Louisiana. Researchers discovered the existence of two Civil War steamboats in the same location in the Red River in northern Louisiana. They are suspected to be the gunboat, U.S.S. Eastport, and the Edward F. Dix, a commercial steamer. Northwestern will receive the artifacts for further research.

### NATION

**COLLEGE STUDENT FIGHTS BANK OVER CREDIT CARD DEBT:** A judge has given Michelle Bedell and the bank that issued her a credit card until Oct. 17 to work out a dispute over how much the Radford University student should pay on her credit card debt. Bedell said Signet Bank took advantage of her naivete as a college sophomore when they offered her a credit card. After the company sued her for the outstanding balance on her Visa card, Bedell counter sued, claiming she was unaware of Signet's high interest rates and late fees. Although both parties hoped for a quick decision, a judge's delay of the case has left the matter unresolved.

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## Stormy Weather



Student Janekia Youngblood braves the weather to get to class Monday. Natchitoches has been plagued with rain since Saturday, yet, despite the nasty weather students and teachers still make their way to class. According to weather broadcasts, the rain will clear up Thursday.

PHOTO BY CHAD SULLIVAN

# Free speech forum addresses concerns

KERI CHAMPION
*Current Sauce*

The SGA is forming a committee for students to voice their opinions in free speech forums.

The forum consists of three subcommittees that focus on certain issues. Members of the first forum will discuss political issues. According to Dana Lewis, head of the committee, they will try to hold a debate with the governor candidates.

The second committee will focus on the rights and restrictions of campus media. Speakers will discuss the 1st Amendment and media ethics. Sexual assault and harassment will be the topic of the third committee.

All students can attend these sessions in order to voice their opinions. The main goal of the free speech forum is to better serve the students and let them have a say on what should be changed or done to sufficiently serve their needs.

"We want input from the students," Lewis said. "Anyone is eligible to be a forum member."

Interested students are encouraged to help form and attend the forum committee which will help the administration decide what issues need to be addressed. The meetings are held at 3 p.m. Wednesdays in Rm. 310 of the Student Union. Jason Mesh is the senator-at-large representing the committee.

"Without student attendance, it will be impossible to continue the forums," Lewis said. "With the input of students, the University administration and staff will be able to better supplement students' needs and improve student life."

The committee is working to have the gubernatorial candidates speak with students. Members will also write letters to the women's caucus to invite their speakers to visit Northwestern.

The suggested topic for the first forum, not yet scheduled, is date rape and sexual harassment.

In the past, the administration conducted the free speech forums. The forums were discontinued because of lack of participation, but students' suggestions brought the forum, back to attention.

"By holding these forums students may get information on topics not ordinarily attainable to them," Dawn Shamburger, sophomore, said.

Students interested in becoming involved with the forums should leave a message for Lewis at the SGA office in Rm. 221 of the Student Union or call for more information , at 352-8375.

# Homecoming week begins with Virtual Reality

Virtual reality and the homecoming parade are just a few of the activities held this week for alumni and students, taking part in Homecoming '94 activities.

"Homecoming is a special time for anyone associated with Northwestern," Elise James, director of alumni affairs, said. "The opportunity to revisit old friends, relive memories and see the beautiful campus make Homecoming weekend something to look forward to and cherish."

James said this year's events include popular activities along with new events.

"We are always looking for ways to make Homecoming a better event from year to year," she said. "We continue popular events and develop new ideas that can bring more people back to the campus."

Special guests for Homecoming '94 are the graduating class of 1944. The class will be honored at events throughout the weekend. Events for students will also take place on campus throughout the week.

At 5:30 p.m. Thursday, the annual Homecoming parade will be held. The parade will wind its way through campus and will go to the downtown riverbank where a pep rally will be held. The public is invited to watch the parade and take part in the pep rally.

Northwestern's Demons will face North Texas in the annual homecoming game at 2 p.m. in Turpin Stadium.

During halftime, the Spirit of Northwestern Marching Band will be featured along with presentation of the 1994 Homecoming Court.

Inductees into the Long Purple Line and the "N" Club Hall of Fame will be recognized along with the Outstanding Teachers, and members of the Class of 1944.

### *Homecoming calendar of events*

**Tuesday**

Virtual Reality - Student Union 10 a.m.-4p.m.

Movie-City Slickers II at 7 p.m. in The Alley

**Wednesday**

Virtual Reality - Student Union 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Movie - City Slickers II at 2 p.m. in The Alley

IM Half-Niter - Intramural Building at 8 p.m.

**Thursday**

Movie - City Slickers II, 2 p.m. in The Alley

Parade and Pep Rally - beginning at 5:30 on Front Street

**Saturday**

Football game - NSU vs. U. of North Texas at 2 p.m. in Turpin Stadium

## Scholarships and fellowship now available for study abroad

Northwestern's Office of International Programs is now taking applications from students to compete for nationally subsidized study-abroad opportunities in 1995-96.

Undergraduates scholarships and fellowships at the graduate level are available for international study in non-Western countries, according to Tommy Whitehead, director of Northwestern's Office of International Programs.

The program, established by Congress with the National Security Education Act of 1991, funds the study of languages and cultures of countries outside Western Europe, Canada, Australia and New Zealand.

Undergraduate scholarships are available for both summer and year-long study programs. Grants may be used to take part in regular study-abroad programs, to enroll at a university, or for special projects. Graduate-level fellowships emphasize curricular enhancement with an non-Western cultural focus and language specialization.

Candidates are selected by review panels on the basis of merit and how the applicants' study proposals support academic and career goals. The program is designed to develop future scholars and teachers specializing in world areas currently underrepresented in U.S. international education, according to Whitehead.

For more information, call 357-5213. Undergraduates may also call the National Security Education Program office at 1-800-618-NSEP, and graduate level students, 1-800-498-9360.



**A Virtual reality booth opened activities for Homecoming week Monday. Activities continue Thursday with a parade and culminate with the Homecoming Game against North Texas Saturday.**

PHOTO BY CHAD SULLIVAN

## Scholars' College professor presents paper on Nazi art

Athwarted artist and architect, Adolf Hitler, couldn't produce his own art, but he knew how to use it to fit his purposes, according to Dr. Jean D'Amato, associate professor of classics in the Louisiana Scholars' College.

D'Amato recently discussed the classical tradition in Nazi art in a lecture she delivered to the Honors Colloquium at Northeast Louisiana University. The lecture grew from research D'Amato had done in preparing to teach one of the texts and traditions courses in the Scholars' College.

One of the aims of the Scholars' College is to engage in frequent academic interchange with other colleges and universities in the state, particularly the honors programs at these institutions.

In the lecture, D'Amato emphasized the way the Nazis used classical motifs for the propagandistic aims of the Third Reich and the resulting distortion of these motifs to fit the Reich's goals.

D'Amato discussed significant works of sculpture and painting produced during the Nazi period and how this art was used by the Nazis to further their propaganda goals.

## Music teacher awarded professorship

Tony Smith, associate professor of music, was awarded the Magale Endowed Professorship. Smith will explore ways to better use the personal computer in music education as the recipient of the professorship.

The Magale Endowed Professorship is awarded annually to a faculty member in the Mrs. H.D. Dear, Sr. and Alice E. Dear Department of Creative and Performing Arts.

Funds from the endowment are used in faculty development including travel to research projects and conferences, purchase of equipment and supplies and other expenditures. Funds will also be used to enhance a resource library for fine arts educational material being organized in the department of creative and performing arts. The endowment was set up by a gift from the Magale family.

During the academic year Smith will attend a workshopin Washington D.C on Macintosh computer operation and will conduct research at the Library of Congress. He will attend an additional workshop in the spring devoted to computer application and audio-visual classroom presentations.

Northwestern is using computers extensively in music education courses because of grants obtained by Dr. Burt Allen, Northwestern director of choral activities, and other faculty. Smith's research will improve the way technology is used.

"Eventually an instructor will be able to walk into a classroom and call up any piece of music, scene from a play or a painting they need to illustrate their lecture with one push of a button," Smith said.

## Professor from U. of Wisconsin-Milwaukee to discuss graduate program

Professor Richard Monti, director of the Masters of Arts and Foreign Languages at the University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee, will visit Northwestern Thursday and Friday for a lecture and discussion of available graduate programs at Wisconsin - Milwaukee.

Monti will hold a lecture at 5 p.m. Thursday in the President's Room of the Friedman Student Union. He will discuss the sixth book of the Roman poet Vergil's *Aenied*. This particular section of the book is significant because of the major influence it had on works throughout the Middle Ages and Renaissance. Among the works influenced by this portion of *Aenied* was Dante's *Divine Comedy* and its description of the Inferno.

On Friday, Monti will meet with students, faculty and area educators in Rm. 239 Kyser Hall to discuss the program he directs at Wisconsin - Milwaukee. The program offers a master's of arts in foreign language and literature designed to provide advanced training to students with a broad undergraduate background in the liberal arts.

Through collaborative efforts with other master's level programs in the University of Wisconsin system, the courses of study enable students to receive a liberal arts degree and a degree in a specialized area such as library science. Students will also receive sufficient training to pursue a doctorate in a specific discipline within this area.

For further information, contact Dr. Jean D'Amato in the Louisiana Scholars' College at 357-4539.

## English professor writes about author of horror novels

The name Sheridan LeFanu may not be recognizable to most people, but the images in his stories will send a chill up the spine of even the most fearless readers. Dr. James Means, associate professor of English, is examining LeFanu's work as part of a research project funded by Northwestern's Council of Undergraduate Research Administrators.

Means began reading 19th Century sensational and horror fiction several years ago and came across some of LeFanu's novels and short stories. He said LeFanu's work influenced many writers of the genre including Bram Stoker, the author of *Dracula*.

"He is a tremendously underrated writer," Means said. "I had never heard of him until I started reading him, but his stories are brilliant.

I have read some of his stories and felt a chill up my spine because the images are so strong."

In his research, Means is comparing two versions of LeFanu's *Schalken the Painter* to show revisions the author made between the first edition in 1839 and the second version published in 1851.

"This research is interesting as a way of seeing an artist at work," Means said.

"You can see the changes LeFanu made to make the story better," he said. " He made some deletions in areas he thought he got verbose, and he made the second story more suspenseful."

Means hopes to publish his research in professional journals over the next year.

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# Terry Byars brings talent and experience to Northwestern theater productions

HANK CANNON
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Like the Nike commercial series "Bo knows," Terry Byars knows singing. Terry knows acting. Terry knows directing. Terry knows music. Terry knows writing. Terry is also an associate professor in the department of creative and performing arts.

Byars was primarily reared in the Baton Rouge area, but his family moved often because his father was in medical school. Before returning to Baton Rouge, Byars had lived in New Orleans and Shreveport. He had his first taste of the theater while living in Shreveport.

"They had a wonderful children's theater group which I joined when I was in the sixth grade," Byars said. "It kind of catapulted me into the world of theater."

Byars retained his interest in the dramatic arts throughout high school but family pressures persuaded him to pursue a degree in English education from Louisiana State University.

"I student taught and knew immediately that I hated teaching high school," Byars said.

In 1971, the summer after he completed his degree, Byars went to summer stock at the Williamstown Festival Theater at Williams College in Massachusetts.

"...That was my most magnificent entree into the world of theater," Byars said. "Williamstown is a place where a lot of Broadway stars go during the summer to get out of the city."


Byars

Williamstown had a lot of connections with Yale University. The director during Byar's time at the theater, Nikos Sacaroplis, was an instructor from Yale and he brought many Yale students with him.

There, Byars worked and socialized with people like Santo LaQuasto, one of the premiere movie set designers, John Conklin, Frank Langella and MaryAnn Mercer, all well known Broadway figures.

Byars was with the Williamstown theater for three summers when Sacaroplis inducted him into the non-equity (non-union) company.

"That was very pleasing for me to see that maybe my talents were being looked at in a professional way," Byars said. "I guess `non-equity' company meant a group of actors who were promising but did not have their equity cards yet. Most of those kids were from Yale and I felt very honored to be a part of that coterie. Sigourney Weaver was a part of that coterie."

Byars also worked with Allison Mills who eventually played the mother on the now defunct ABC series *The Wonder Years.*

After leaving Williamstown Byars headed for New York City.

"I lived in New York for nine glorious months pounding the pavement and slowly realizing that I needed more training if I wanted to stay in the business," he said.

Byars then got his masters in fine arts in acting with emphasis in stage movement

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# 'One of the Best'


'Mrs. Clothilde' poses with Margie Huddleston after being named 'one of Northwestern's best' in the 1991 ***Potpourri***

# 'She never knew a stranger'

## Clothilde Rains meant a lot to NSU students

KATHEY WENDERWEEDLE
*Current Sauce*

Northwestern lost a well-known and important part of its tradition last month. ARA cashier Clothilde Rains recently passed away at age 67 after a lengthy illness.

Rains was a long-time resident of Natchitoches, but she was born in Provencal, La.

"She made many friends and she was loved by many people. She was really a nice person—friendly to be around and friendly to everyone." said Grace Wardsworth, a worker in the ARA foodservice where C;ptjo;de worked for over 20 years.

"She was a very faithful and pleasant person. She did a lot for the University and loved it very much," Marjorie " Margie" Huddleston, a very good friend of hers said. "She'll be missed greatly by everyone here. People and students have gone and left to get married and move on in life, but they always remembered and returned to see her. She was a great and respected lady, and she still is."

Clothilde retired in April of last year from the University to take care of her husband, Raborn "Ray" Rains after his heart attack.

"She thought a lot of the students and worried about them," Raborn said. A lot of times, she would bring their problems home with her. She loved work, and to her that was the University—students and faculty alike.

"I met her through a mutual friend back in 1956 when Clothilde was working for the South Central Bell office here in town. I can remember her saying 'I want to introduce you to my friend, and she's coming over later today.' So, later that afternoon, I went back and met Clothilde. We dated, and were married a year later. She was always a friendly and cheerful person to be around, and she loved animals. Every Sunday she and I would go to Provencal to visit her mother and her sister. And she loved to see them as much as she loved to see all the animals. Our daughter had a cat when she was in school, and both my wife and I loved and took care of that cat."

Clothilde also loved gardening, according to her husband. "I would have to probably say her favorite flowers were gladiolas. She had some along the fence in the backyard, and when she got so sick that she couldn't tend to them, she worried about them still. She was very devoted and never complained—even when she was hurting, she wouldn't give up."

After working for South Central Bell for 14 years—until it closed in 1970, Rains worked at some small variety stores such as Reese's Variety and Todd's Department Store. She also attended the University's trade school, and began working with Martin and Lucky Foodservice.

Clothilde wasn't into socializing, she was happy just to be active with her daughter's PTA and other school functions.

"The last social event that my wife and I attended was my army banquet just this past year." Raborne said. "Even though we didn't socialize much, she never knew a stranger. It's really tough without her here."

Clothilde had one daughter, Camille Ray Moran, who is a resident of Natchitoches.

# New LSMSA director plans 'upgrade'

## New technology, simplified curriculum planned

JEREMY BROUSSARD
*Current Sauce*

Four years after teaching Russian at the Louisiana School for Math, Science and the Arts, Dr. Robert M. Peters has returned as the school's director. The new administrator has made several plans to define the boundaries for change and growth within the school, but he realizes his limits.

Governing new changes at the Louisiana School won't be easy Peters said, but he feels it can be accomplished through fair and careful measures.

"If there is anything I try to stand for it's fair play, predictability and due process," Peters said. "That doesn't mean people are going to like what you do. But hopefully they can say, 'Well, it was fair, but I don't agree with it. It was predictable, but I don't agree with it. And at least there was due process associated with it."

Peters stressed that he cannot become the sole force to create or advocate changes in the Louisiana School. He expects ideas and innovations to originate within the school's faculty, staff and students.

"I can't walk in here in the first month and articulate what all those parameters are because, frankly, the Louisiana School is not the Alabama School," Peters said. "And the parameters for this school won't be the same as those that we had at the Alabama School."

Peters has already changed the faculty structure by hiring Dr. Jacqueline Cole to fill the newly created director of academic affairs position at the Louisiana School. According to Peters, Cole's objective is to tactically lead the Louisiana School faculty through evaluations of scheduling, advising and curriculum.

"The present curriculum is, I think, too cumbersome . . . there's a need for change. However, that change has got to come out of the faculty. It can't be a change that I impose from the top. It can't be a change that Dr. Cole imposes," Peters said. "I'm looking for the faculty, with my strategic leadership and Dr. Cole's tactical leadership, to come up with their own anchors and framework for the curriculum."

*"If there's anything I try to stand for, it's fair play, predictability and due process"*
ROBERT PETERS
LSMSA DIRECTOR

In addition to possible changes in curriculum, Peters plans to expand the technological aspects of the school.

"In order for us to be competitive, technology is going to have to be written with a capital 'T' at the Louisiana School," Peters said. "We are going to have to anticipate the cutting edge."

Peters' plans for technological change include adding labs, computer systems and research programs. He feels that the changes are necessary to meet the growing competition for entrance into universities and to stay ahead of the increased number of schools similar to the Louisiana School. He pointed out that only two schools like the Louisiana School existed 10 years ago. Now 10 exist nationwide and Peters anticipates the opening of three or four more within the next year.

The new director stressed that the school will need to carefully plan before gaining any new technology. Buying new equipment cannot immediately solve problems and push the school into the 21 Century Peters said. Programs must already exist to accept the technological changes.

"You don't buy technology and then fit the program around it," Peters explained.

He illustrated this by showing the difference between a foreign language professor and a computer science professor s need for a computer. A computer science professor needs computers to teach algorithms and programming.

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# Concert will discuss struggles and triumph

DAWN VALLERY
*Current Sauce*

The Natchitoches-Northwestern Symphony Orchestra will perform at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 20 in Magale Recital Hall. The orchestra, conducted by Dr. George Adams, will present *Four Last Songs* by Richard Strauss and Dvorak's *Symphony No. 8.*

*Four Last Songs* will feature soprano soloist Phyllis Seigler, associate professor of voice at Northwestern.

An English translation of three poems, written by Herman Hesse and Von Eichendorf, will be read before each movement. Both the English and German translations will be included in the program.

The work, which was composed near the end of Strauss' life, moves from spring to fall, which is the time of rest.

According to Adams, *Four Last Songs* is one of his favorite pieces of music.

"It tells the story of a man who leaves the earthly struggle and triumphs without disappointment or fear, but with serene confidence in eternity and immortality," Adams said.

*Symphony No. 8* was composed before Dvorak's three year trip to America, during which he was inspired to write his more famous *Symphony No. 9*, otherwise known as the *New World Symphony.*

Adams believes that *Symphony No. 8* shows Dvorak at a time when his style was mature and at its peak.

"He captured the essence of Czech folk music and was able to portray it in a symphonic setting," Adams said. "His appreciation for folk music permeates the work."

**Tickets for the performance are $5 for the general public and free to Northwestern students with a current identification card. For more information, call 357-4522.**

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**EDITORIAL**

## Defining a nōōz'pā'per

### Or, 'our purpose for being here'

While we don't normally answer letters to the editor, we received one this week that we felt deserved an answer: both out of service to the person who wrote it and also to clear some things up for the Northwestern community.

First things first. The letter asked for an explanation as to why Melissa Mabou was pictured on the front page of last week's paper. The letter stated that her being crowned "Miss City of Lights" had nothing to do with Northwestern. We felt it did, since Mabou, and her predecessor (also pictured), were both Northwestern students and both would be going to the Miss Louisiana pageant again. We should also note that there was only a picture — no story.

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Next, the letter mentioned that we didn't cover the Tim McGraw concert. True, we didn't write a story on the concert, but we did run a picture with a caption that made reference to the SAB's success in getting a major name and consequently, a packed coliseum. Furthermore, we ran articles on the subject in the two editions prior to the concert. This included one on the front page the week before which discussed how the SAB got a name like McGraw and how much of a success the concert would be as a result.

The rest of the letter puzzled us, frankly. One part said "The *Current Sauce* doesn't cover the students' news, they only cover their own." True, we may not always cover everything on campus, but we do our best with our limited staff. And, you can be sure that if you tell us about something that is of interest to a substantial amount of the student population, we will try our best to cover it in some fashion.

Furthermore, the *Current Sauce* can always use extra writers. If any of our readers want to help us cover the campus news, they are welcome to join the staff.

The *Current Sauce* strives to cover as wide a variety of campus news as possible, from the Greeks to ROTC, beauty pageants to horse shows. In addition, we also provide students with bits of local, state and national news which we believe may interest them.

One more thing we want to make clear: the *Current Sauce* is not a public relations tool. We aren't here to make the Northwestern administration or campus groups look good. We report the news, both good and bad, for the consideration of the Northwestern community. We feel that this is the best possible way in which we could serve the student body.

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## Student budgets too small for undercooked food



**Shakira**Baldwin

Guest Column

I can not begin to count the times that I have entered a campus dining facility on Northwestern campus and been disgusted by their overpriced and undercooked meals. It is hard enough to adjust to the rigors of a collegiate lifestyle without the added burden of wondering how one can make their meal plan stretch until the end of the semester or if you even want it to.

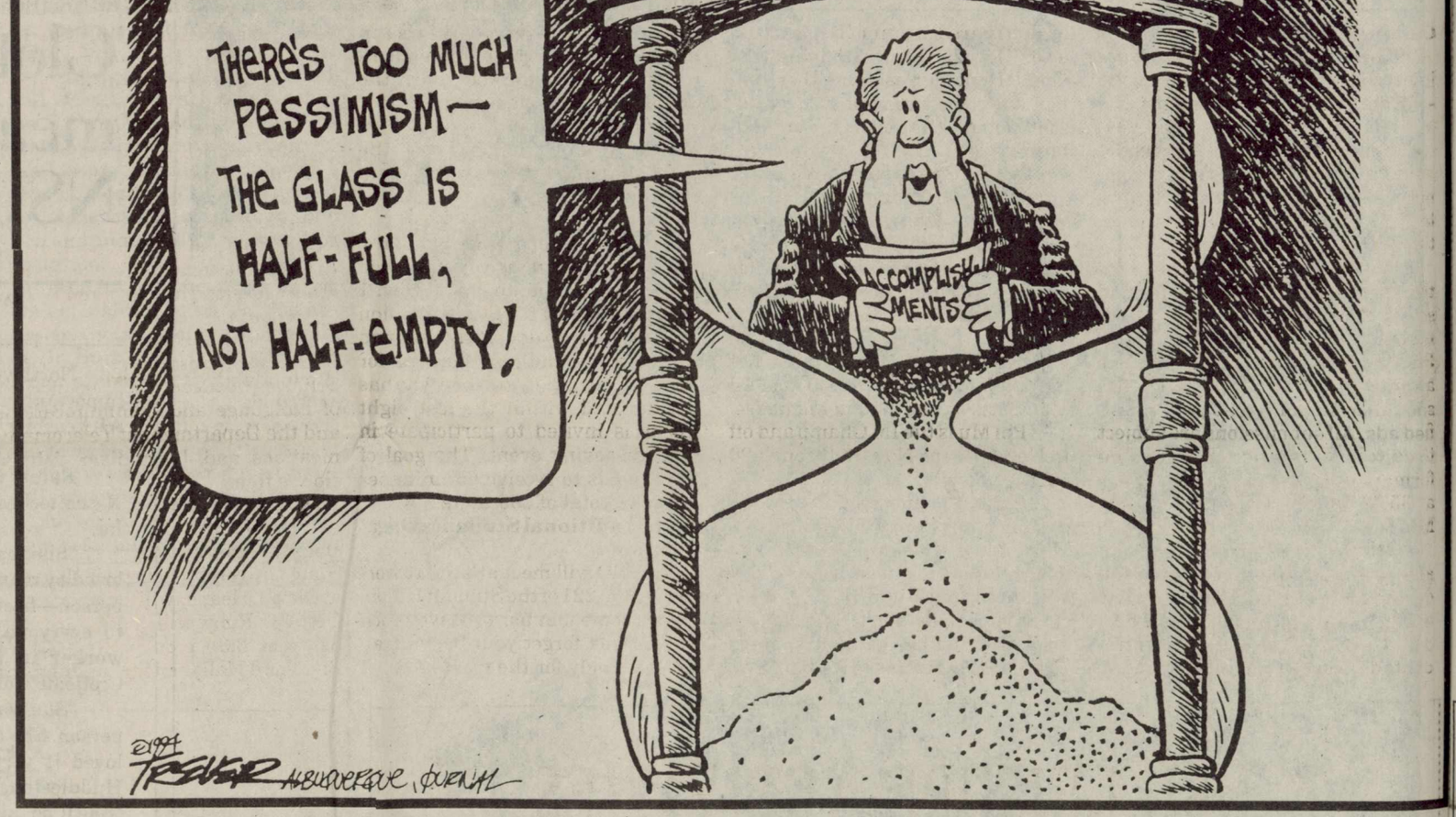
The average student expects three meals a day, which includes a breakfast to start your morning off, a lunch to keep you going and a dinner that will satisfy your remaining hunger pains. If you are a student whohas a $618 variable, then odds are you will not get the three basic meals for the entire semester. One reason, that will prevent most students from being able to purchase three meals a day, is the increasing price of meals along with the reduction of specials. One example of a special that is no longer available is the dinner plate. The dinner plate served a main entree, two vegetables and a bread for one affordable price. Now a vegetable alone costs 69 cents.

Everything is charged separately. Yes, everything, even the condiments. About three weeks ago I went into Vic's cafeteria and decided I would like some chicken tenders. Well, then I decided I wanted some ranch dressing to go with my chicken tenders. So, I put a relatively small amount in a container and then I went to the cashier to pay for my food. That's when she informed that my ranch dressing would have to be weighed and I would be charged for the dressing. Well, I didn't know whether to laugh or scream, but I did neither because the cashier was only doing what she was told to do.

Another example of ridiculous pricing is the price of Snapple, a type of bottled fruit drink, in Le Rendezvous. One regular-sized bottle of snapple costs $1.75 in Le Rendezvous, while the same bottle in a convenience store or grocery store costs from 69 to 99 cents. Other evidence of undercooked or unappetizing food includes several personal experiences with gummy cornbread, overcooked rice and half-done beans. Of course, ARA Food Service feels that they are doing a wonderful job and everything should be just "peaches and cream" but then they can go home at night or any other mealtime and eat a meal that will satisfy instead of repulsing them. They even go so far as to actually take the time to investigate and compare the prices of their menu items to that of other fast food services. Only in a favorable light of course.

I could go on and on about overpricing and unappetizing food or the simple lack of culinary skill. But, that would not serve any purpose. The only way, that unsatisfied consumers such as myself and a large number of other students can make a difference and perhaps see some change, is to take a stand, voice your objections, become active in committees that do these very things and do not waver in your convictions.

The only way your opinion can make a difference is if you voice it.




## Clinton's policies polarize electorate



**Mike**Whitmire

Always Right

Just as in 1992, change seems to be the mood that the rest of America has as it prepares to elect the 104th Congress Nov. 8.

The growing distrust of Washington in general is what Ross Perot and Bill Clinton seized on two years ago when America fired George Bush, but it seems now that Americans are even more upset with the professional politicians that write and pass the laws of the land.

In 1992, America was so upset with the direction the country was heading that it overlooked the direction Clinton wanted the country to go in and elected a fraud.

Two years later, it seems America has a handle on the direction Clinton and his cohorts in Congress want to take the country and has figured out it isn't change.

The policies are some of the same ones, or slight variations of, the Great Society programs that came about under Lyndon B. Johnson in the 1960s and have failed miserably.

Clinton, a baby boomer that grew up in the 60s, knew that Americans were sick and tired of these Great Society programs when he ran for the presidency in 1992, so he became a chameleon.

Clinton told America he was a "New Democrat."

We know now that this means he is a democrat that will lie willingly about himself and his past and misrepresent his policies so America won't figure out he is just a good, old fashioned liberal.

Clinton told the American middle class that they would get a tax cut. It was unfair that Ronald Reagan had slashed the top marginal tax rate, so Clinton was going to restore some fairness to the tax code with a rate reduction for the middle class.

Since we've been able to watch Clinton's policies unfold, we know that "middle-class tax cut" means raising taxes on every American who drives a car.

When Americans elected Clinton, they elected more of the same smoke-and-mirrors politics they were tired of seeing. Americans were mad when President Bush raised taxes after pledging not to so the government could reduce the deficit by $500 billion dollars, and then that the deficit reduction wasn't realized. The taxes came, but the deficit didn't drop.

After announcing that the middle-class tax cut was a thing of the past, Clinton announced the establishment of the deficit-reduction trust fund. All of the money from Clinton's tax increases would go into this trust fund and be used solely for deficit reduction.

Sounds great, but why not just pay the debt off with the money when it gets there? Make the payments. Any American who has a house financed would lose it if they took the money that was supposed to be used for a house payment, put it in account and called it a house payment trust fund.

The fund is a fraud. When the money comes in, pay off the debt.

Clinton told America that we needed to be tough on crime. He would put 100,000 new police officers on the street and make money available for 100,000 new jail cells.

The money allocated in the crime bill funds 20,000 police officers at the most, and of the $13.5 billion earmarked for prison construction, $6.9 billion CANNOT go to building prison cells. It must be spent on "alternative" methods of incarceration like boot camps.

Does anybody remember hearing Clinton advocating his social policies like midnight basketball, and fine arts and dance classes as a way to fight crime when he was campaigning? All of those programs are in the crime bill.

Clinton got the ban on "assault" weapons through in the crime bill also. Has anyone ever heard him mention that "assault" weapons were banned in 1986.

What Clinton had banned were semi-automatic weapons. The trigger must be pulled every time you want to fire a single shot, they are not machine guns. These weapons are responsible for about one-fifth of one percent of all the gun-related murders in America.

According to Clinton, banning these weapons shouldn't be opposed by Americans because over 600 types of firearms were protected from being banned, and the semi-automatic weapons weren't needed for hunting and sporting purposes.

When the Second Amendment was written, it wasn't all that long after the framers of the U.S. Constitution had won a revolution fought for the United States' freedom. It is safe to conclude that the authors of the Constitution weren't thinking about hunting and sport shooting when they granted the right to bear arms for the purpose of a well-regulated militia.

Judging by all of the limits the authors of the Constitution put on government, the possibility of having to use force to bring down a government that infringed too much into freedoms of the people is a more likely scenario.

Clinton told America during the campaign that he was for work over welfare. His welfare reform bill would "change welfare as we know it."

The bill did get to the 103rd Congress, but it arrived so late that neither house had an opportunity to take action on it. Clinton was too busy pushing his socialistic, government-run health care reform bill that took one-seventh of the nation's economy and turned it over to the government.

Even when the Congress does take up the welfare reform bill, it's important to note that Clinton "changes welfare as we know it" by actually spending more money than it costs now to keep people on welfare. The program is loaded up with more government-run jobs programs.

America is becoming more cynical about its government all the time, and to this point Clinton has offered more of the same. More government and more regulation.

It's no wonder America wants change, again.

## CampusForum

Letters to the editor should be no more than 500 words and must include the signature of the author, the author's classification, major and phone number for fact verification. Letters must be in good taste, truthful and free of libel, malice and personal controversy. Inclusion of any and all material is left to the discretion of the editor.

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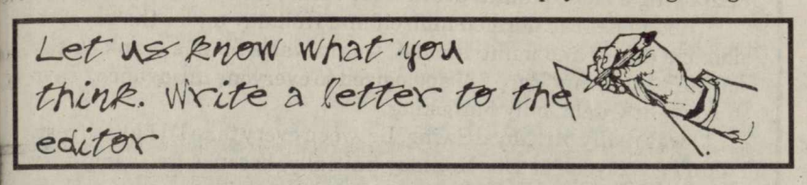
I would like an explanation for last week's front page picture of Melissa Mabou being crowned Miss City of Lights.

This beauty contest has nothing to do with Northwestern, unlike the record attendance at the Tim McGraw concert.

By the way, where was the story on the concert?

This seemed to be SAB's biggest success and the *Current Sauce* did not think it deserved coverage.

The *Current Sauce* does not cover the student body's news, they only cover their own. It is sad that we have to pay for this garbage!




# Red meats: A little dab will do you



## BarbaraMcHenry Nutrition

Why is it that we are so drawn to high-fat foods? Everyone has experienced the most satiating feeling of eating a tender steak or a hamburger with loads of french fries on the side. America's love for fried or high-fat foods has spoiled our mouths into feeling as though oily, smooth texture is required in order for the meal to seem complete.

A fact of which most individuals are not aware is that fat dissolves the aromatic compounds of foods so they get to the taste buds more easily. On the taste buds is a texture that we experience as pleasurable.

It takes a reeducation of the taste buds to find there are other equally palatable foods that make the whole body happy without harming it.

It is not true that one has to totally give up favorite foods in order to manage weight. However, it is necessary to accept that there is entirely too many red meats and fried foods consumed for the body to keep up its maintenance while dealing with excess fat — plain and simple.

According to a recent survey published by the July 1994 issue of *Reader's Digest*, "Sixty-eight of the nation's most widely respected experts on nutrition" advise that we cut saturated fat mainly found in meat, butter and cream "to 7 percent of total calories." It's obvious that most of us go way overboard here — 34 percent according to the survey. And we wonder why the pounds pile on so fast! The thing is not to deprive yourself of those favorite foods. Divide a steak with your partner once a week, and add to the meal a nice baked potato with just a "tad" of margarine or sour cream and bacon bits. A salad loaded with goodies (lettuce, tomato, cucumber, onion, grated carrots, etc.) can really help top off the meal if it's not deprived of a favorite salad dressing; just decrease the amount used per salad.

A sizable portion of spaghetti or homemade soup can be eaten without guilt if we would make them with lean meat in lesser amounts and quit adding butter to our recipes.

The trick is to add loads of noodles, vegetable and oil-free sauces to those meals that we don't want to give up. Never forget the calorie difference between fat (eight) and other nutrients (four). One doesn't have to be a genius to add it up. The lower we keep the grams of fat, the more we can eat while balancing our health and weight — free from hunger and guilt.

## CampusConnection

**Campus Connection Guidelines**

The staff of the *Current Sauce* invites all campus organizations to send announcements for publication in Campus Connection. However, we remind organizations of the guidelines involved. Campus Connection submissions must be brought to Rm. 225 Kyser Hall by noon on the Monday before publication.

All submissions should be **less than 100 words** and should pertain solely to **meetings, announcements and upcoming activities**. Birthday greetings, congratulations and/or product advertisements should be submitted as paid classified ads. All submissions are subject to editorial alteration. For more information contact the *Current Sauce* at 357-5456.

**Midterm Grades**

Midterm grades will be available to all Natchitoches campus undergraduate students from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Oct. 19 and 20 in the Student Union Ballroom. Graduate students do not receive midterm grades. Midterm grades cannot be picked up after Oct. 20. Undergraduate students attending classes on other campus sites must contact those campuses for information regarding midterm grades.

**Early Registration**

Student schedule request cards will be available in the Student Union Ballroom Nov. 15 and 16. Advising and early registration for spring 1995 will be in individual departments Nov. 16 and 17.

**Phi Mu**

The Phi Mu Homecoming Reception will be from 10:30 to 1:15 p.m. Saturday at the Phi Mu house.

Phi Mu is the IM Champ and off to New Orleans Nov. 18 through 20 for the playoffs.

Phi Mu members of the Homecoming Court are Jennifer Birdwell, Erin Jesse, Susanna Smith and Mikelyn Smith, queen.

**Sigma Sigma Sigma**

Tri Sigmas don't forget about the IM racquetball game at 3 p.m. at the Natchitoches Health and Racquet Club. Everyone who is in the baseball skit come to the meeting at 9 p.m. Wednesday. Be at the Sigma Sigma Sigma house at 5:15 if you want to ride in the parade on Thursday. Don't forget about the times you signed up for at the alumni reunion on Friday.

**Blood Drive**

Northwestern and Scholars' College will host a campus blood drive from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Nov. 1 though Nov. 3 in the Student Union Ballroom. Every donor will receive a free tee-shirt and refreshments for his or her donation. Anyone who has not donated within the last eight weeks is invited to participate in this life-saving event. The goal of the drive is to receive 65 units per day for a total of 195 units.

**Non-Traditional Students Organization**

NTSO will meet at noon tomorrow in Rm. 221 of the Student Union. Please come join us; we have much to do. Don't forget your bag of Halloween candy for the treat bags.

**NSU International Film Series**

The NSU International Film Series will present Juzo Itami's comedy *The Funeral* at 7 p.m. Friday in Rm. 142 Kyser, Studio A.

Full of rich detail and a fondness for the cultural traditions that are fast fading from Japanese life, *The Funeral* is warm, funny and rewarding (and not a bit sad) and is in the same comedic vein as Itami's other classics *Tampopo* and *A Taxing Woman*.

The NSU International Film Series is sponsored by the Louisiana Scholars' College, the Department of Language and Communications and the Department of Telecommunications and Journalism. Admission is free.

**LSU Medical School Admissions**

Dr. John Ruby, the Associate Dean of Admission for the Louisiana State University School of Medicine at New Orleans, will be on campus Oct. 24. Ruby will meet with students at 3:30 p.m. in Rm. 215 of Bienvenu Hall (biology building) to give a presentation on LSU Medical School and answer questions concerning admissions, financial aid, housing, etc. All interested students are invited to attend.

**Hospitality, Management, Tourism Association**

HMTA will meet at 6 p.m. tomorrow in the Alumni Room in the Family and Consumer Science Building. Officers will be elected. All majors are invited to attend.

**Kappa Alpha**

Attention all Kappa Alphas, it's homecoming and there are too many great things planned for one week. Don't forget the Half-Niter, the parade and especially the game.

But we are especially looking forward to Rent-A-Gent Thursday night and the post game party (with a live band) at the house on Saturday.

Pledges are doing great and also a special big thanks to the ladies of Sigma Kappa for a great exchange. Any questions, call the Mansion On The Hill at 352-7160.

**Phi Beta Lambda**

Phi Beta Lambda will meet at noon tomorrow in Rm. 102 of the business building. Joe Pierson Jr., president of City Bank & Trust Co., will be the speaker. New members are welcome.

**Inspirational Mass Choir**

The Inspirational Mass Choir cordially invites everyone to our upcoming FALL FEST '94.

The performance will be at 7 p.m. Nov. 9 in the IM building.

Admission tickets are $2 in advance and $3 at the door. Tickets are available from any choir member.

For more information, contact Shareka Harvey at 357-6730 or Tonya Whatley at 352-9269.

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All *Current Sauce* reporters and photographers must come to Rm. 225 Kyser at 5 p.m. tomorrow to pick up assignments.

**RA Position**

Any girl interested in an RA position at Caddo Hall should call Dr. Sharon Williams at 357-3178.


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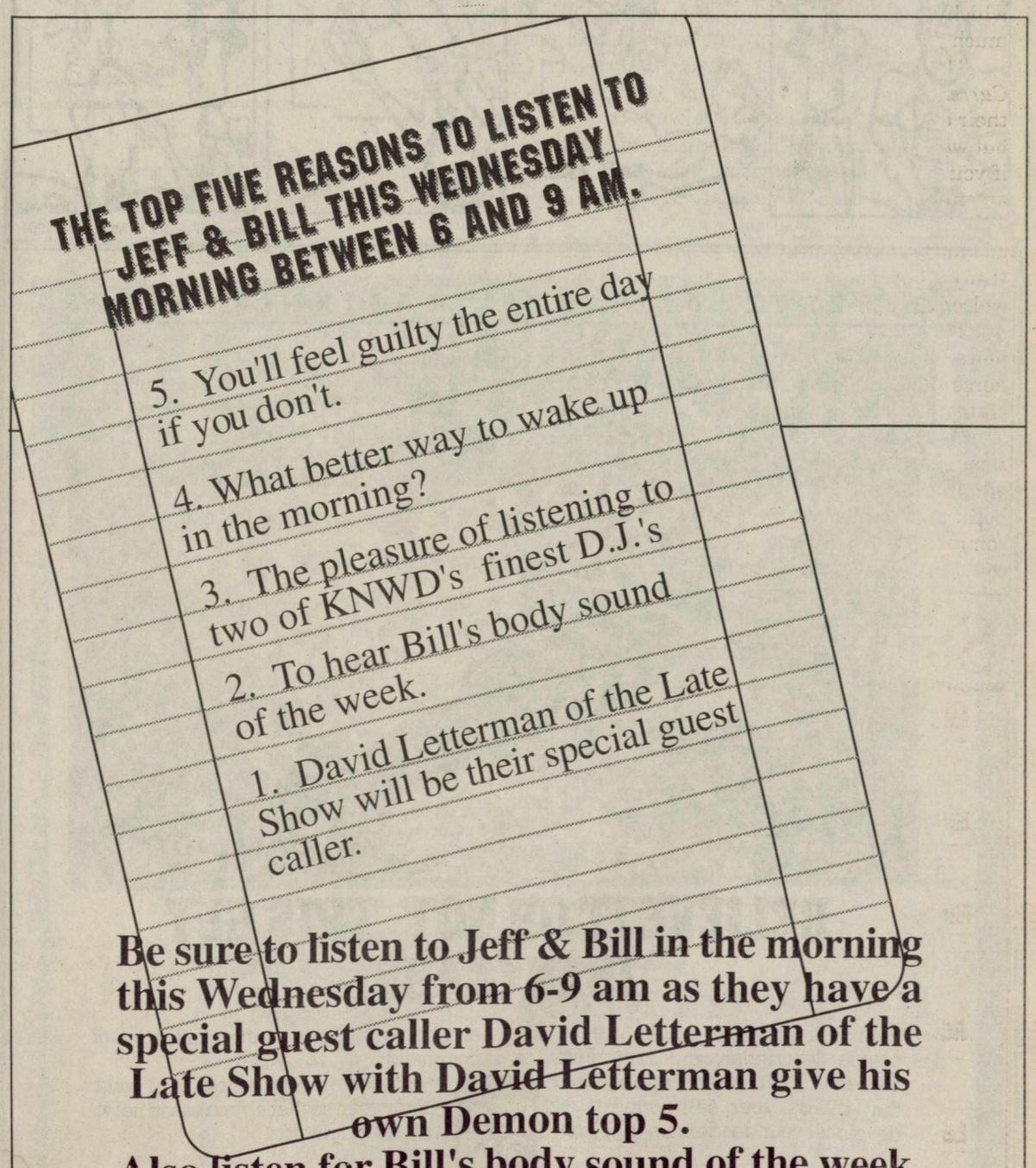
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# Book discusses Greatful Dead universe

## The Ultimate handbook for Deadheads

DIANA SMITH
*College Press Service*

Who could have known there were so many of them? Or that their subculture was so well-defined and their network so vast that it has been estimated there's at least one in every family?

Deadheads.

They're everywhere, of all ages and backgrounds, but with a common interest in the music of the Grateful Dead, according to David Shenk and Steve Silberman. The two, longtime Dead fans recently co-authored "Skeleton Key: A Dictionary for Deadheads," (Doubleday, $14.95) the first book that attempts to examine in detail the phenomenon of the Grateful Dead and their following—388 pages of it, ranging from concert behavior to insider slang and testimonials from people whose lives were influenced by the long-lived rock 'n' roll group.

In so doing, the book also gives insight into the counter-culture of the past 30 years, as well as the Dead's broad influence on mainstream culture. There is, after all, a popular flavor of ice cream named for lead guitarist Jerry Garcia (Ben & Jerry's "Cherry Garcia"), and Garcia's line of neckties designed for corporate types who just can't resist a nod to their rebellious youth. Not to mention the legacy of tens of thousands of fans spanning three generations who have attended shows and celebrated "the scene," as Deadheads affectionately call it.

Last year, the Grateful Dead was the top grossing concert act, according to "Performance" magazine. The Dead's large and intensely loyal following bought 1.6 million tickets to a total of 78 shows for box-office gross receipts of nearly $44.5 million, stated the concert trade journal.

Among other things, "Skeleton Key" talks about the eerie circumstances of the band's naming, each band members' history and personal and collective contributions and the importance of every song and album that's been produced over the years. In short, everything you wanted to know about the Grateful Dead but were too uptight, man, to get down and ask.

"The real question for me is, 'Why didn't someone else write this years ago?'" said Shenk, a New York-based writer, musician and former producer for National Public Radio.

"The Deadhead community is so full of rich history, lore, flavorful language, colorful dress, spirituality and terrific humor—it was crying out to be documented."

Shenk and Silberman broadly define Deadheadism as a social movement comprised of people who are fans (in varying degrees) of the music produced by the long-lived rock 'n' roll band. That encompasses everyone from the hard-core faithful who deck out in tie-dyed costumes and follow the band from concert to concert in flower-decorated minivans to the casual at-home listener, musical greats such as Elvis Costello, and yes, even the wife of Vice President Al Gore, Tipper, described as a "major tourhead-waiting-to-happen."

So, as the old bumper sticker queries, "Who are the Grateful Dead, and why is everyone following them?" The book tries to explain the mystique that surrounds the band, which has been touring for three decades. In the book, author Joseph Campbell, renowned for his work in archetypal mythology, calls the Deadheads "the most recently developed tribe on the planet."

"I imagine that Dead-impaired persons who hear a Dead-bite on TV or see Cherry Garcia in the cooler at the market and hear about people hitchhiking 3,000 miles to see that guy with the beard play his guitar, must occasionally ask themselves, 'What's it all about?'" said Silberman, a San Francisco-based writer. "Deadheads are like gay people: everyone has a brother or a daughter or a niece or an aunt or a cousin who is one. What are all those Deadheads doing? Our book can at least begin to explain."

What Deadheadism is all about can be difficult to describe even for insiders because the experience of going to shows often is likened to a religious event—without the religion. When the band is hot, the fans are on their feet and the drugs have taken effect, a concert becomes a transcendental experience in which everyone comes together in a unified, spiritual whole.

Chas McKhann, a professor of anthropology at Whitman College in Walla Walla, Wash., and a Dead fan for years, says a show can seem like a "revivalist church meeting."

Emile Durkheim, the French founder of modern sociology, coined a term for such an experience—"collective effervescence"—that describes a state in which religious values are actualized when an individual loses himself or herself in a large, collective gathering.

"Individuality is stripped away, and you're left in a sea of emotion," McKhann said.

There are similarities between that kind of experience and a Dead show. "There is something very exciting about the emotional charge in the atmosphere of a Grateful Dead concert," McKhann said.

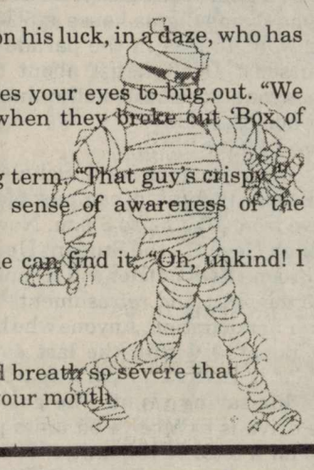
Anthropologically speaking, the ritualistic behavior of Dead fans lends itself to cross-cultural comparisons.

For instance, fans attending shows have developed rhythmically complex dancing movements (some are referred to as "spinning"), designed largely to increase their psychic enjoyment of the music. In some Sufi Moslem sects, for instance, "whirling dervishes" also engage in spinning or rocking motions over long periods of time that produce a form of religious ecstasy.

### THE DIALECT OF DEADHEADS

**Here is a sampling of some Deadhead dialect terms from "Skeleton Key:"**

- **Lost sailor**—a Head "severely down on his luck, in a daze, who has lost all sense of reality."
- **Bugment**—Music so intense it causes your eyes to bug out. "We were subjected to severe bugment when they broke out 'Box of Rain.'"
- **Crisp**—Burned out. Not a flattering term. "That guy's crispy."
- **Noiding**—Paranoia. A heightened sense of awareness of the possibility of being arrested.
- **Outstashed**—Hidden so well, no one can find it. "Oh, unkind! I outstashed the tickets."
- **Ultra**—Very good.
- **Vids**—Hallucinations.
- **The zacklies**—Cottonmouth and bad breath so severe that you feel there are tiny creatures in your mouth.



By College Press Service

# Quaid enjoys ups and downs of life

BY IAN SPELLING
*College Press Service*

LOS ANGLES—Actor Dennis Quaid seems to have a laid-back "If it happens, it happens" attitude about things. He doesn't concern himself with box-office success. He debunks the theory that two actors can't be married, have a kid and be happy. And he doesn't take himself or his career as serious as he once used to.

"It's a good life," says Quaid, reflecting a moment during a recent interview at a Los Angeles hotel. "I feel like I have more fun with acting than I did when I began. I give everything I've got, but when I do work, I'm not as serious about it all. I just have fun. "

An example of Quaid's giving it all for a role was for his most recent film, "Wyatt Earp," where he played gunslinger Doc Holliday. For Lawrence Kasdan's Western epic, which was released earlier this summer, Quaid didn't mosey into the Old West.

Rather, he spent three months jogging, dieting and losing more than 40 pounds in order to give Holliday the pale, haunted look of a man dying a slow, painful death from tuberculosis.

Though he transformed himself into Holliday under the supervision of a doctor and a nutritionist, Quaid was a bit of a crank on the set while shooting "Earp." "I apologized to everyone in advance," says the now-fit Quaid, only halfjoking.

"I was really Mr. Mood Swing. Between every take I'd have to rest. I didn't see myself as Doc Holliday (initially) because I was in pretty good shape, and Doc was a frail man. There was this one picture of him where you could just about see his skull. So, I just thought it was necessary. An audience believes what it sees and hears."

The moment Kadan called cut on Quaid's final scene, Quaid returned to his normal eating habits. In fact, he had a banana cream pie on the spot. And, Quaid jokes, he didn't get sick. So, now that the film is out, was it worth the self-torture?

Quaid pauses, then responds, "I definitely think it was. The thing about film is that you just don't get a chance to go back and do it again. I wanted to do everything I could while I was there. There were times when I was in the middle of it that I asked myself, 'Is this worth it?' But it was."

Many critics believed that Quaid's performance was worth it, also. The film, a vast, three-hour and 20minute telling of the life of lawman Earp (Kevin Costner) and his unlikely friendship with the outlaw Holliday, enjoyed only a mild box-office success before fading from screens. For all its scope and star power (the cast also included Gene Hackman, JoBeth Williams and Michael Madsen), it was Quaid, whose performance was as interesting as his appearance was frightening, who stood out.

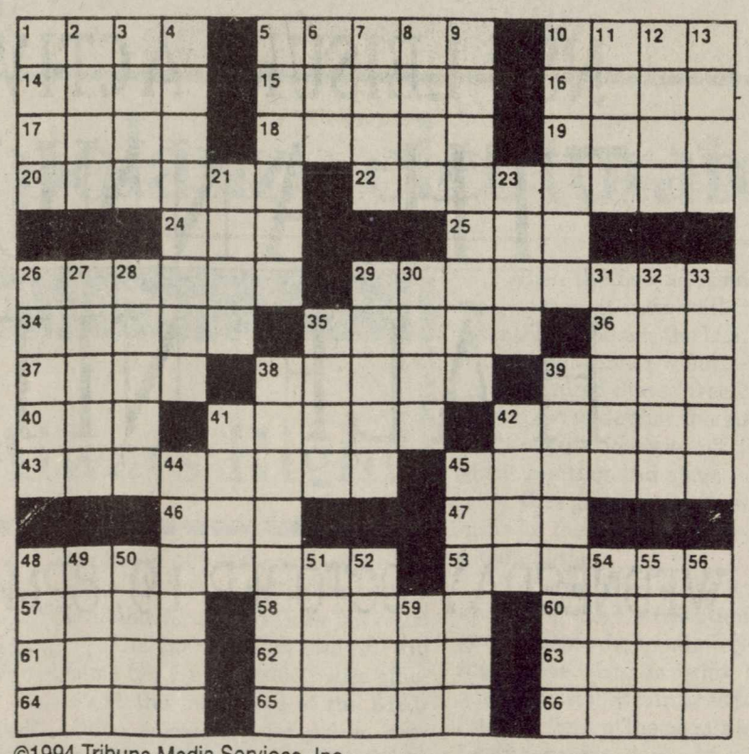
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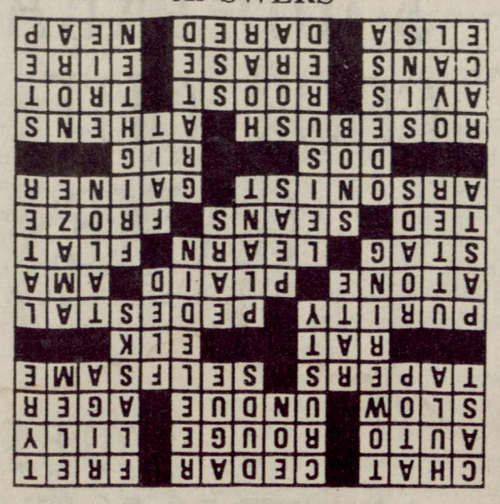


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# Four year grads return to community colleges

MARCO BUSCAGLIA
*College Press Service*

When Jennifer Lyons took her first teaching job after graduating from the University of Northern Iowa in 1989 with a degree in secondary education, she assumed her classroom of students would be the first of many in a lifelong career in education.

But when her students went home for the summer, Lyons began to question her career choice. "It was nothing against the kids but I just realized that this wasn't what I wanted to do for the rest of my life," she said.

Instead of going to graduate school or "getting a job at the White Hen," Lyons chose to enroll in a respiratory therapy class at Madison Area Technical College in the fall of 1990 instead of returning to teaching.

"I was looking for something different to do, but I still wanted to work with people," Lyons said. "For some reason, therapy really appealed to me."

Two years later, Lyons received her certification in respiratory therapy from the American Medical Association and found a job two months before she even completed the final class toward her associate's degree. "Learning a skill like that is so different from your basic college classroom because you are doing this hands-on, really technical training," she says.

"I was glad I made a move when I did because now I love my job and make more money," said Lyons, who works at a suburban Chicago hospital. "It's the best of both worlds. I get to work with people and when I go home for the day, I'm done — no homework to grade, no lessons to plan."

Lyon's story is becoming more familiar among recent college graduates. Once upon a time, a college degree was viewed as the key to not only a well-paying, full-time job, but career fulfillment as well. The rules of employment, however, are changing, and more and more graduates are finding that neither their bachelor's nor master's degrees guarantee job security and financial independence.

In turn, more individuals are turning to community colleges and trade schools for their chance at a new career.

"People are coming back to community colleges to get marketable skills," said Bill Reinhard, director of public affairs for the American Association of Community Colleges. "For two years of education, you can get a good job with good money practically anywhere in the country. It's a good carrot in front of the cart for people who aren't happy with their current careers."

Recent surveys show that community college educations are preparing students for some of the country's most rapidly growing fields of employment.

"Community colleges offer training for the fastest-growing, highest-paying jobs of the future,"

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# Wal-Mart Supercenter not hurting local businesses

## Specialty businesses offer lower prices

AMY WISDOM
*Current Sauce*

Specialty stores within Wal-Mart Supercenter attract customers with their competitive prices and convenient location. And according to local managers and owners, the competition hasn't hurt the local businesses.

Most local shops said they have not detected any loss of business since the Supercenter opened last month.

But, many customers enjoy the convenience of one-stop shopping in the Supercenter. Within a few steps a customer can drop off clothes for dry-cleaning, have his or her hair cut, select a movie rental, and pick-up a new pair of eyeglasses on the way to the grocery department.

Sales representative, Amy Peltier, of The Video Center, said customers often refer to the lower prices and free membership when renting movies or games. But Alfalfa Video remains comepetitive with a regular Tuesday promotion of $1.99 rentals.

"We have had steady business, and have been especially busy on Fridays and Saturdays," Diane LaCour, manager of the salon, said,

Nicole Hash, manager of S'Mart Drycleaning and Shoe Repair, said the extended evening and weekend hours of shops in the Supercenter make them more convenient for customers. Hash also said customer service is an important factor in the success of a business.

"Customers have mentioned that cleaners in the area take too long, or they were just not satisfied with the service they were getting," Hash said.

Some customers are satisfied using the locally-owned businesses. Dora Allen, who has owned and operated College Cleaners since 1978, said she and her husband have not seen any change in business in the past month.

Optician Tammy Metoyer said The Vision Center has had very good sales, and she expects the addition of an optometrist's office in the store to attract even more customers. Until another optometrist can be found, customers must have a valid prescription from their optometrist for eye glasses or contact lenses. Metoyer said this posed a few problems in having doctors release prescriptions. "When an optometrist prescribes contact lenses, he accepts responsibility for the proper care of his patient's eyes," Metoyer said. She said that if the wrong kind of lens is administered, or the prescription is wrong, it may damage the eye, and the doctor could be responsible. The potential danger causes some eye doctors to be reluctant to release contact lens prescriptions to patients and optical shops.

Billie Cook, office manager of Center for Sight on Highway 1, said she has not noticed a loss of business to the new optical shop. "I can't see that it has hurt us," Cook said. "Most of our optical customers are our patients, and they are still coming to us."

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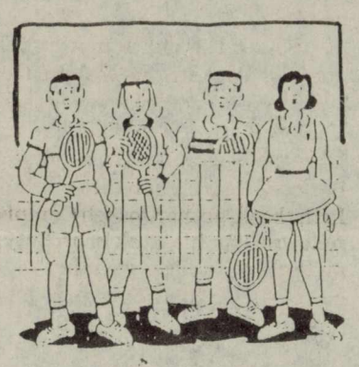
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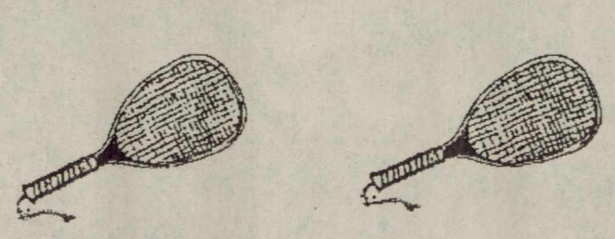
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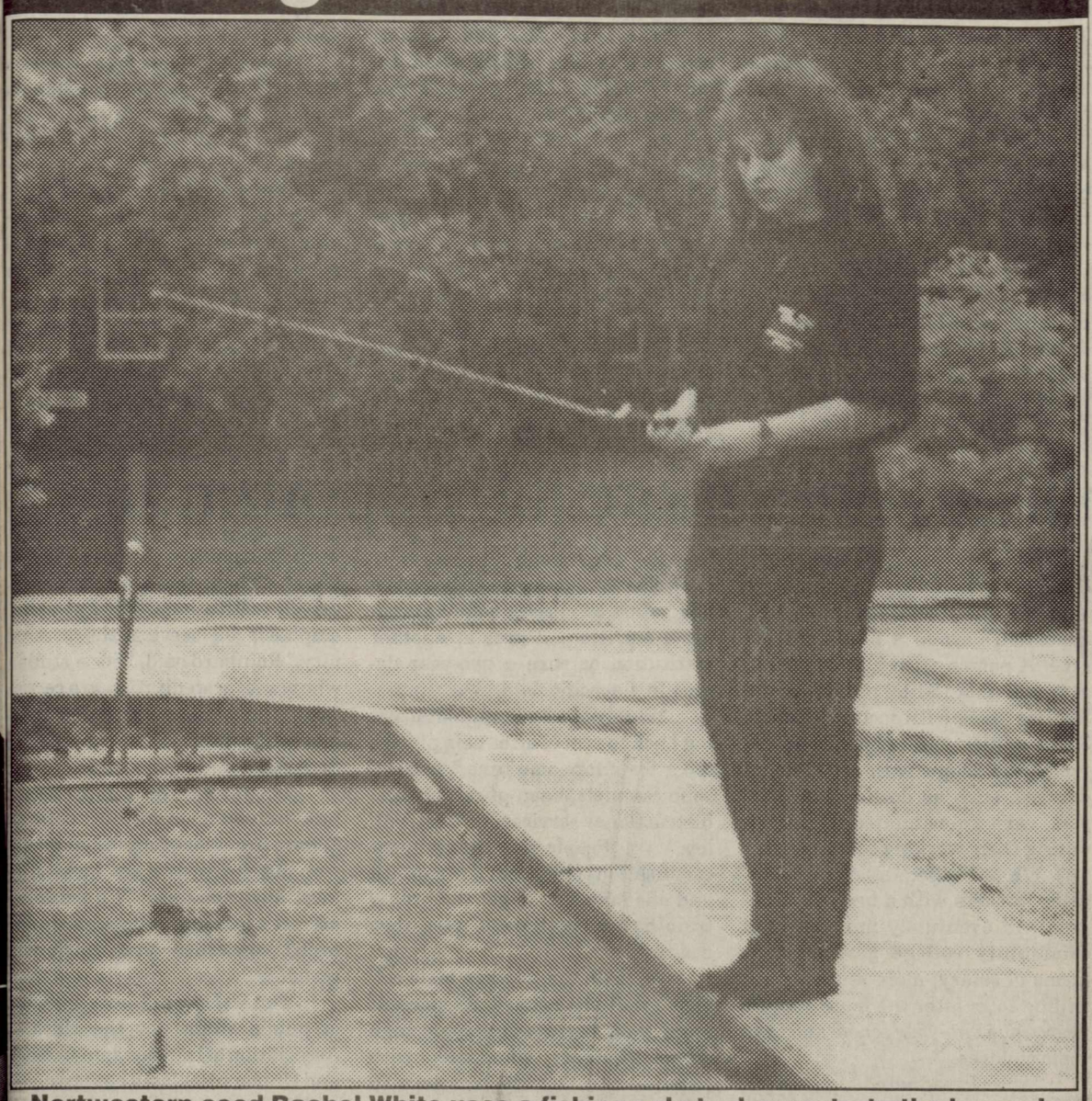



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# Testing the Waters



**Nortwestern coed Rachel White uses a fishing pole to demonstrate the humor in the construction around the former Kyser Hall parking lot. Rachel casts her line over a median in the barracaded lot which is filled with water from recent rains.**

## PETERS: LSMSA director plans changes for school

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"A foreign language teacher doesn't need all that," Peters explained. "A foreign language teacher is much like a person who enters a car dealership to buy a pickup truck for hauling.

They don't need to know how the pickup truck runs. They just need a pickup truck that gets the job done."

Association to raise the profile of the school and money for capital outlay, technology, and perhaps in the distant future, endowment money. The future, according to Peters, is determined by the boundaries we set today.

He plans to succeed in the future by creating fair and predictable boundaries for the school through a process that encourages growth and

the Louisiana School was in 1991. He taught German for the high school, Northwestern and Louisiana Scholar's College.

"I had an office here [at LSMSA], an office in Kyser Hall [at Northwestern], and later an office in Russell Hall [at Scholar's College]. So I had three offices and I taught 10 courses," Peters explained.

Four years later, Peters has

## BYARS: Theater instructor brings talent to department

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and voice production at Temple University in Philadelphia in 1974.

"That was also a marvelous experience because it was close enough to New York that [we] were constantly bombarded by an influx of adjunct teachers who worked at New York University," Byars said. In fact Byars said that, Nora Dunphy, one of his voice teachers, was in the recent movie, *Forrest Gump*. She was the last person to sit on the park bench with Gump.

After leaving Temple, Byars returned to Baton Rouge instead of going to New York in order to "get his bearings."

"At that point I kind of settled into a local scene. I felt comfortable with that but I never stopped doing drama really."

Between 1974 and 1992 Byars was extremely busy.

In Baton Rouge in the mid 80s, Byars started an acting company called Living Theater. According to Byars, he did this primarily to showcase his own work. Most of the plays and musicals were of a religious nature and they were very elaborate productions with full costuming and sets and casts approaching 30 people.

"It was very interdenominational because a lot of the churches around the city were represented," Byars said. During this time, Byars was also heavily involved with children's theater. Playmaker's of Baton Rouge commissioned him to write 11 scripts which included *The Raggedy Man's Tale of Cinderella* (1987) and *Sing Louisiana* (1988). About half of these productions were musicals and Byars wrote the scores in addition to the dialogue and stage directions.

In addition to the theater work Byars was teaching at Scotlandville Magnet High School in Scotlandville, La.

Theater work was not the only thing Byars did during his time in Baton Rouge.

"I have two children," he said, "During my hiatus in Baton Rouge between '74 and '88 I was married, and out of that marriage I have two children, who are lovely. Katie is 14 now and Anna Clara is 11. We have a special relationship because they are both very creative, especially my youngest daughter. Anna really, really wants to act a lot; and she will because she has lots of high and high energy and I think that I will probably see her on the stage in the next few years. My oldest daughter Katie is not interested in acting she's interested in ballet and drawing and art. They're both real good kids."

From 1981 to 1984 Byars worked at Jimmy Swaggart Ministries. Byars often worked as a writer, writing commercials for Swaggart's radio station WLUX. When the Bible College opened in 1984 Byars taught acting there for a semester.

"The type of drama is very church oriented," Byars said. "It had to be like biblical. It put a tremendous burden on me either to write stuff or go out and find it. And there's nothing, believe me, on the shelves worth doing. I could see the handwriting on the wall and I decided to go back into high school.

"In 1988 I said my original thoughts on teaching high school were correct. I really feel people that are drawn into teaching high school have a gift for working with that age group. I don't. I prefer working with adults. Which is why I went back and got the Ph.d."

Byars went back to LSU in 1988 and in 1992 earned his Ph.d in theater which included theory and criticism, dramatic literature and theater history. According to Byars, his arrival at Northwestern was due to many "happenstances."

"I met Dr. [Jack] Wann [Northwestern's artistic director] at a conference in Florida during the last spring of my Ph.d program. We just passed in the hall, I mean we didn't say three words to each other, but I guess he knew who I was because he has his own Ph.d from LSU and he knows the folks down there.

"And as luck would have it he was passing through Baton Rouge during my last year and saw a children's show that I had directed. He just walked in and saw this thing at a festival. It was just a lot of happenstances that put my name in his mind. After I had finished all of my course work I was really sweating this out. Y'know where was I gonna get a job? And I just received a call about mid-July and Dr. Wann said `I'm sorry we couldn't finish our conversation in Florida.' And I said, 'What conversation?'" Byars laughed.

"And he said, 'We're looking for someone up here and would you be interested in applying?' I said, 'I can't be in Natchitoches before three hours from now. I'm on my way.' We set a date for me to come up to do an initial interview and I did another interview in which I taught a class, I got the job."

At Northwestern Byars directs main-stage plays and loft productions. He has also performed on many occasions in faculty recitals and in productions such as last years's *Christmas Gala* and this summer's dinner theater production of *Damn Yankees*. He also plays organ at the First Methodist Church.

Despite everything he has done, Byars said he sometimes wonders what would have happened if he had gone back to New York.

"There are times that I really kind of regret having left the East and not going on to New York," Byars said. "I see a lot of my friends that I knew at Williamstown and they're in movies now. They're not necessarily stars but I do see them in secondary leads and here and there. I kind of have pangs of regret, but then you can't live in a field of regret. I do very much enjoy the teaching. If I had went to New York I probably would have done a combined career. There is a great teaching component in directing and I love to direct. So, I have an inkling that I would have done a double track anyway."

For the upcoming spring semester, a play Byars wrote will be featured during the loft series "That's Absurd." The name of the play is *Ecstasy: A Catastrophe in Two Scenes*. Byars will also reprise his character from the Christmas Gala, Grinchly Smudge, for this year's performance and he will direct loft performances throughout the semester.

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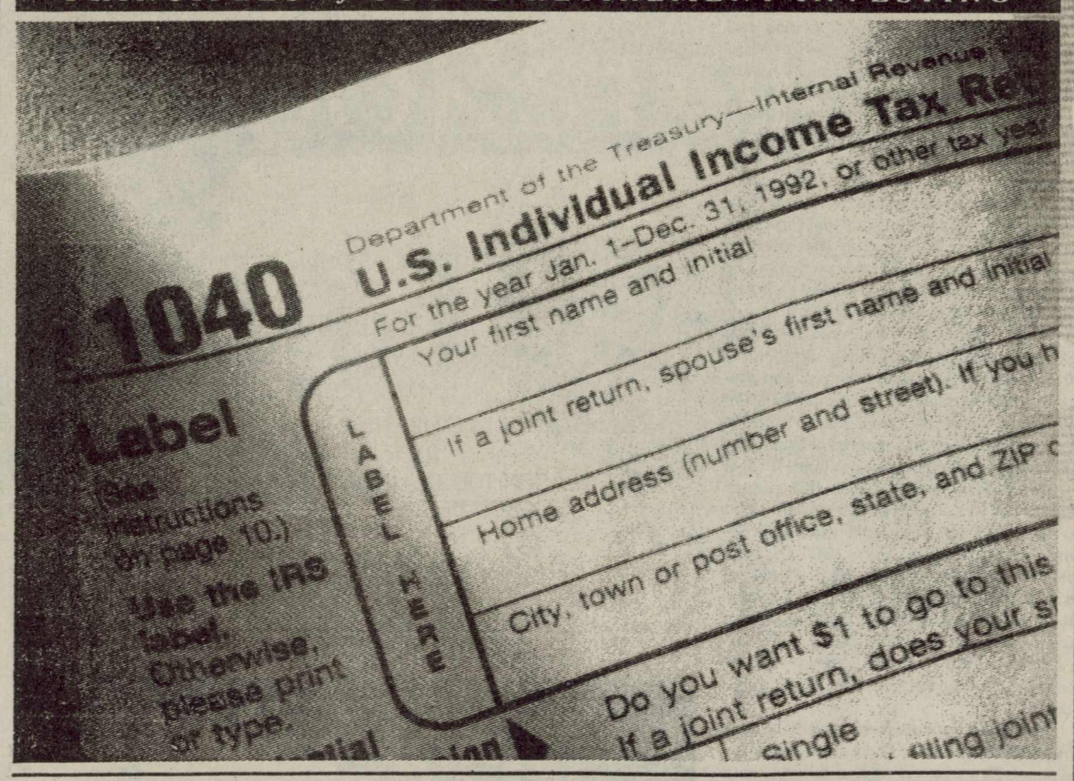
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# Vandalism of students' cars under investigation

BRIDGETTE M. MORVANT
*Current Sauce*

In the early morning hours of Sept. 24, Natchitoches Parish police investigated the vandalism of seven cars belonging to Northwestern students attending a sorority function on Taylor Road, near the city limits of Natchitoches.

Deputy Lamarr McGaskey of the Natchitoches Parish Police Department investigated the case. According to McGaskey the vandalism probably took place between 11 p.m. Sept. 23 and 1 a.m. Sept. 24. McGaskey said the vandalism consisted mostly of shaving cream, deodorant and toilet paper sprayed or put on the vehicles. McGaskey also noted that the vandal or vandals had poured Armour Oil on the inside of one vehicle and that one vehicle was badly scratched.

McGaskey described most of the damage as minor, with the exception of the scratched car. According to McGaskey, the case is still open and under investigation.

# NSU Horseshow Team prepares for a busy year

## Intercollegiate team to compete throughtout the nation, University of Texas first site for show

LEONARDO CECCHINI
*Current Sauce*

The Northwestern Intercollegiate Horseshow Team has begun practices and is anxiously awaiting the beginning of a new season.

The team enjoyed a successful season last year and is ready to continue their progress.

"We had three teams qualify for nationals and have been able to compete in every show we've been in," Rebecca Gill, team trainer and sponsor, said. "We also hosted our first show in the history of the school and plan to put one again this year."

In addition to participating in the University event, the team is expected to travel to the Universities of Texas, Oklahoma State, West Texas, Tarlenton and Texas A&M. At the present time, the only scheduled event will be held on Nov. 12-13 at Texas A&M.

In order to participate in a show a team must have a member in each of the four different divisions — hunt seat, stock seat, jumping and reining.

In the hunt and stock seat divisions, a judge evaluates the rider's position on top of the saddle and his or her ability to communicate and show the horse. The jumping competition consists of eight jumps that the horse must clear.

In the reining competition the horse must follow a prescribed pattern.

"The hunts seat and jumping competitions are performed on English saddles while the stock and reining competitions are performed on western saddles," Christian Cecchini, 1992 winner of the Spanish national colt show, said.

"The western saddle is bigger and made to be for long hours in your horse, it is more comfortable and you give most of the commands with your hands.

The English saddle is small, so when you ride you have more contact with your legs and are able to feel the horse's movements better."

Team members compete in four basic levels of riding competition: beginner, intermediate and advanced level.

There is an open level, reserved for riders who have competed in national or world competitions.

Every student is eligible to join the horse show team.

The main requirements are a 2.5 grade point average, mandatory study hall attendance and a small membership fee. The fee is $10 per semester or $5 per year.

In order to compete in the shows students must pass an equine science course. Practices are from 3 to 5 p.m. every Monday and Wednesday.

# GRADS: Students find community colleges offer more job opportunities

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Robert Reich, U.S. Secretary of Labor, said in a recent release. "Today's community college students are earning degrees and certificates that not only are 'hot' now but that will continue to pay off well into the future."

Labor experts agree that through the next decade, the majority of new jobs in the United States will require technical skills, mostly available through community colleges.

In fact, U.S. Department of Labor officials say that only 15 to 20 percent of the population will need to have bachelors' degrees, since jobs requiring a four-year education are at a standstill.

The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics has projected jobs requiring two-year degrees will be among the fastest growing job segment between now and 2005. These include jobs in nursing, computer information systems, law enforcement, human resources, paralegals and medical technicians.

Community colleges also offer certification in various business management fields, culinary arts, hospitality industries, office support, real estate, transportation, fashion merchandising, interior design, air conditioning and refrigeration, automotive technology, construction engineering, electronics, physical therapy, surgical technology and a wide array of other fields.

Jerry Pfeiffer, director of the Florida Education and Training Placement Information program, has been studying compensation rates for the state's high school graduates since 1989. His annual report, which states that junior college graduates earn more than their four-year graduate counterparts, comes as welcome news to community college administrators.

"Students that are working on higher level vocational skills end up earning more in their initial job than those students who graduated from a four-year university," Pfeiffer said. "You're dealing with people who are trained in a specific area in which there is a specific demand."

For 1992-93 graduates, Pfeiffer found that the holders of a two-year associate of science degree averaged $29,008 in annual salary, while holders of a four-year bachelor's degree earned an average of $24,520 for their first year of work. In comparison, employees with a master's degree earned $34,792 per year for their first year of work and those with a doctorate made $36,192.

However, over the span of a lifetime of earning, the salaries of two-year school graduates will be outpaced by those earned by four-year graduates, according to the U.S. Census Bureau.

"There is no doubt that the higher the degree you have, the more money you will most likely make," says Greg Howard, a statistician at the Census Bureau. "With the economy as it is, and the job market becoming more competitive, the trend is almost sure to continue."

The Census Bureau estimates that during a typical 43.5 year career, a person without a high school diploma earns $609,000 while a high school graduate makes $821,000. A person with some college experience makes $993,000, while a community college graduate earns $1,062,000. A college graduate pulls in $1.42 million, more than $400,000 more than his or her community college-educated counterpart.

And, according to the study, the salary amounts continue rise for students who decide to continue their education beyond a bachelor's degree. A person with a master's degree will make $1.62 million over a lifetime, those with doctorates make $2.14 million throughout their careers, and people with professional degrees, such as doctors and lawyers, earn an estimated $3 million during their working lifetime.

While Pfeiffer's study also indicates workers with a bachelor's degree will eventually pull ahead of community college graduates in terms of salary, more students are willing to go after the more specific degree at a two-year school and take their chances.

"After I graduated high school, I couldn't see myself going to this huge college for four or five years and then working at a McDonald's for the next two years while I looked for a job," Alan Newcomb of Saratoga, Calif. said. "I watched that happen to too many people, so I figured I'd try out the medical assistant program at West Valley."

More than 25,000 local students head to West Valley Community College in Newcomb's hometown to take classes, hoping to either get a head start on classes before pursuing a bachelor's degree at another institution or earn a two-year degree in a specific field.

"We always have students coming back to school after being in the labor force for some time," said Joseph Samuels, dean of careers and instructional services at West Valley. "People view the two-year certification programs as a quick and effective way to get the proper training for the type of work they desire."

In 1992, the average male college graduate earned 83 percent more than the average male high school graduate, while men with community college degrees earn 26 percent more than high school grads. The average female college graduate earned 73 percent more than the average woman with a high school education. Community college grads earned 33 percent more than women with just a high school degree.

Reinhard said that students are coming back to community colleges and trade schools because they are offering exactly what the students want: inexpensive classes at flexible hours. "These are very consumer-driven institutions. They put their emphasis on serving the community," Reinhard said. "For a student who wants accreditation in a certain field, it only makes sense to go to the more inexpensive, yet just as qualified, school."

The recent influx of professors has helped community colleges "There are a lot of qualified professors out there who are looking for jobs," says Reinhard. "We are able to attract a lot more educators, and we aren't concerned that much with research."

Tim McDonough, vice president of public affairs for the National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities, said both two-year and four-year schools will continue to play an important role in the future of education.

"A lot of what happens will depend on the individual person's needs," he says. "More people are seeing a college education as an investment. People are going to school because they realize that the benefits of an education will be with them long into the future."

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The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. The pledge of allegiance was led by Chris Conway, and the prayer was led by Misty Mayeux. Jonathan Gauthier called roll and Jeff Foshee, Kyle Moore, Romona Reed, MaryAnn McDaniel, Chris Nicholas, and Mark Alexander were not present. The minutes were approved as being read.

Wendy called for officers' reports and Clay Gardner gave the treasury report saying that he will get copies of budget to the senate now that we have new copy machines.

Jacinda Averitt said that almost every senator earned 30 points. Keep up the good work. She is working on getting name tags. The name that you wrote on the paper is going to be the name printed on the name tag. Run-offs will be held this Wednesday and Thursday for Mr. and Miss N.S.U. Clay and Melissa cannot work the polls since their names will be on the ballots. A schedule to work the polls was passed around for senators to sign up.

Blair reminded the senate that INSERVICE will be held Sunday, October 9 at 1:30 p.m. in the President's room in the Student Union. Thursday, October 6 is the Campus Leaders workshop from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. in They Alley. Supper will be served at 5 p.m. The speaker will be Charlotte Strickland. Both of these events are mandatory for all senators. Senators can write any type of legislation that they see need for. It doesn't matter which committees you belong to — you can write legislation for any committee. Blair asked Paul Ayo about the new mascot costume and he said that he is still trying to get drawings. Blair asked for designs to be submitted by the following Monday. Paul said that a guy in the art department submitted a drawing and it might be used.

Blair said Romona Reed is working with ARA on getting food for the workshops. Blair said senators are critcizing and talking about petty, minor things such as the minutes. There is too much talking about senators behind their backs. This is not junior high. Stop it. Senators were making comments about Jacinda running the election. If you have a problem with it or anything else talk to that person and not behind their back. Jonathan is the Administrative Assistant for the executive officers. If you have a problem with the minutes, you take minutes and make a copy of them and give them to Jonathan. As far as the Administrative Assistant, he is to assist the executive officers and not the senators according to the by-laws.

Wendy called for committee reports. Wendy said Club Sports committee will meet at 6:30 p.m. next Monday. The Swamp Demons are coming. MaryAnn is having the Campus Improvements committee meeting 10/04/94 at the SGA office. If members can't make it to the meeting, they should leave a note in MaryAnn's box tomorrow.

Blair will have committee appointments by the INSERVICE meeting. Free Speech Forum will meet Thursday at 3:30 in room 312 of the Student Union.

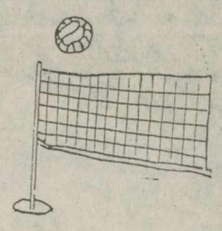
Melissa announced that the Committee on Organizations will meet at 11:00 a.m. in room 221 of the Student Union. Wendy called for old business, new business, and special reports and there were none. She called for announcements and Blair said that Jeff Burkett is resigning from the Supreme Court. A motion was made to go back into new business, seconded, and passed unanimously. A motion was made to appoint the recently elected junior class senators, seconded, and passed unanimously. Blair swore in Misty Mayeux and Jeff Burkett into the senate.

Melissa announced that the Order of Omega will meet at 7:15 a.m. tomorrow.

Will Veuleman said that the grass is always greener on theother side, especially if the grass on your side is dead. Amy Dafler moved to adjourn. Rick Bailes seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned at 7:15.


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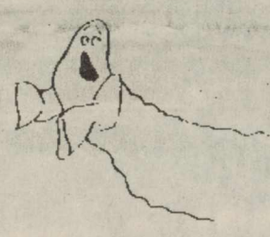
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# PLAYERS Demon Offensive Line OF THE WEEK

Northwestern's offensive line blew gaping holes in Sam Houston State's defense all night Saturday in the Demons 54-0 blowout win to be named the *Current Sauce's* Players of the Week.

The line helped Northwestern's Danny Alexander to a career-best 132 yards on 12 carries, and helped the Demon rushing attack set new Turpin Stadium record with five touchdowns scored and 417 yards gained.

"I think the week off helped out, the line was opening up some holes," Alexander said. "You couldn't do anything but run straight forward. They did a great job. I give the offensive line all the credit."

The 54 points the Demons put on the board was the most scored by Northwestern since it tallied 64 against Livingston in 1958.

Northwestern Coach Sam Goodwin said the starting offensive line graded out the best it had all season. Academic All-American John Dippel had a grade of 80 percent, Neal Sharkey scored 74 percent, Jayson Hayes 72 percent and Joey and Joel Ferguson each had 70 percent. It was the first time all season that all five starters scored over 70 percent. The grading system is based on the percentage of plays each lineman executes properly.

## 54-0: Demons defeat Bearkats to tie for 1st in Southland Conference

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"I thought it was just a complete annihilation, every phase of the game," Goodwin said.

The Demons took the opening kickoff and wasted no time starting the rout behind the strength of fullback Danny Alexander.

Alexander, who had a career-best 132 yards rushing on 12 carries, carried the ball all three times on Northwestern's three-play, 65-yard scoring drive that took just 1:12 off the clock and put the Demons ahead 6-0.

The senior fullback had runs of 16 and 25 yards before reaching paydirt from 14 yards away.

When Brad Laird found Jared Johnston for a 38-yard scoring strike and Jason Fernandez booted the extra point, the Demons led 13-0 with 11:09 left in the first quarter.

Bearkat Coach Ron Randleman wasn't pleased after watching his club drop its second-straight game and fall to 0-2 in SLC play.

"This was a total disappointment," Randleman said. "This ball game was a test of character for us, and extremely important game, and we did not play. Until we play harder than we've played the last two weeks, it is going to get brutal."

Clarence Matthews had a 44-yard touchdown run in the second period, and William Williber scored from 21 yards away to give Northwestern a 27-0 lead at halftime. Williber's score capped a 79-yard drive that took just four plays and 56 seconds.

Goodwin gave his first-team offense a break early in the third period after Laird connected with Alexander for a 23-yard touchdown strike and a 34-0 Demon lead.

"It's been a while since I've got to enjoy the second half from the sideline," Alexander said. "I'm used to being out there and battling it out through the fourth quarter. It was nice to let the young guys get some playing time."

Matthews carried the ball eight times for 83 yards for the Demons, and backup quarterback Tori Williams was successful running the option, gaining 64 yards on seven tries. Brian Jacquet added two touchdowns for Northwestern.

The Demon defense held the Bearkats to just 169 yards total offense. Linebacker Steve Readeaux led the team with seven tackles, and Nathan Platt and Terry Johnson had six tackles apiece. Platt had two tackles for lost yardage. Troy Barnes and Kevin Rhodes each picked off a pass for Northwestern.

Attendance for Northwestern's games has declined every game since the season-opening sellout, something Goodwin would like to see turned around.

"We're used to it," Goodwin said. "We've always played exciting football here. I can't remember too many games, with the exception of the last two games here last year, that weren't decided in the fourth quarter.

I don't know what they [the fans] want. Obviously this football team is better than most of them in America, and it would be great if our fans and our students would get behind us."

## ACADEMIC STANDARDS: More will be expected from athletes

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strive for good academic standing and make progress toward a degree, and this plan requires that."

Due to this policy, however, student athletes must be careful when selecting a major.

"With the satisfactory progress rule in place, it sometimes is a little more difficult for an athlete to change majors," Hicks said. "Depending on the degree program, changing majors can work against the student and hurt his eligibility."

On the subject of graduation rates of student athletes, Hicks feels that Northwestern has placed a high focus on its athletes receiving degrees.

"Coaches have placed a high priority on graduation," he said. "With all the eligibility requirements now in place, coaches put in a lot of time stressing the importance of grades and graduation."

In the most recent NCAA graduation rates from the academic year 1992-93, Northwestern graduated 37 percent of its student-athletes who originally enrolled in the 1985-86 school year. This report, based on giving student athletes a maximum of six years to graduate, is put out annually by the NCAA from figures given by Hicks and the registrar's office.

"We must turn in our reports by March 30 every year, and every year we receive a new report," Hicks said.

Compared to the overall student graduation rate of 30 percent for 1992-93, the 37 percent figure "is pretty good," Hicks said. When compared to the overall three-year averages (30 percent student athletes to 14 percent overall), the athletic rate shines.

Men's track and cross country led the way for the 1992-93 report with a 38 percent graduation rate, followed by baseball at 36 percent. Football was next with 35 percent followed by men's basketball with 33 percent. Women's basketball, women's cross country and women's track were all 33 percent.

Hicks said that although the minimum standards for athletic eligibility are a little tougher, the standards are fair and needed.

"Sometimes the minimum requirements for student athletes are a little more stringent than for regular students," Hicks said. "But the rules make it a necessity for the entire athletic department to be aware of them as well as the student."

## E&I, Phi Mu are flag football champions

David Weaver
*Current Sauce*

Phi Mu and E&I pulled off upset wins last week to claim the playoff championships in intramural flag football.

Phi Mu knocked off the Baptist Student Union 32-31 Tuesday after enduring seven overtimes in the women's contest. Phi Mu, which finished second to the BSU in the regular season, pulled off the upset when they managed to convert the extra point in the seventh overtime while holding off the BSU in their conversion attempt.

"This win is probably the biggest in the history of Phi Mu sports," Angela Hennigan of Phi Mu said. "We are going to work hard and be ready for the state tournament in New Orleans with every intention of trying to win it."

Joining Phi Mu at the top of the standings is E&I, who knocked off previously undefeated Alpha Phi Alpha 12-6 in the men's title game Thursday.

Both E&I and Phi Mu will compete in the state tournament Nov. 18-20 in New Orleans.

"Participation in this year's league was great," Scott Bruscato, assistant intramural director, said. "We have two quality teams going to state and we really believe they can do well there. We feel the league was a success and encourage participation in our upcoming events."

Those events will include the annual Half-Niter Wednesday and the first Northwestern Homecoming Run Saturday. Intramural volleyball is also currently scheduled. Team entry deadlines are Oct. 26 and the beginning of the season Oct. 27.

For more information concerning these and other events, contact the Department of Leisure Activities at 352-5461.

### Flag Football Final Top Ten

1. E & I
2. Alpha Phi Alpha
3. Couillions-CSO
4. Gators-CSO
5. Theta Chi
6. Going For Broke
7. Kappa Sigma Pledge
8. KATN
9. PCHRC
10. DA Synicate

**Top 3 Poll-Women**

1. Phi Mu
2. BSU
3. Sigma Kappa

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## NSU stomps Sam Houston; Demons aim for SLC title

MIKE WHITMIRE
*Current Sauce*

Although few people witnessed it, Northwestern solidified its opportunity to make a run at the Southland Conference Championship Saturday in Turpin Stadium.

Just 3,327 fans showed up to watch the Demons spank 25th-ranked Sam Houston State 54-0 and improve to 2-0 in conference play and 4-2 overall.

The win allowed Northwestern to stay tied at the top of the SLC standings with Stephen F. Austin and North Texas. North Texas visits Turpin Stadium in Northwestern's Homecoming Game Saturday, a game that could put the winner in the driver's seat for the SLC title. Kickoff is set for 2 p.m.

"North Texas has one of the top quarterbacks in the country in my opinion," Northwestern Coach Sam Goodwin said. "Their defense is aggressive this season, which it was not last year. They would score points but then lose by a few because they couldn't stop anyone."

According to Goodwin, this Saturday's game with North Texas may be more important for the Demons than for North Texas.

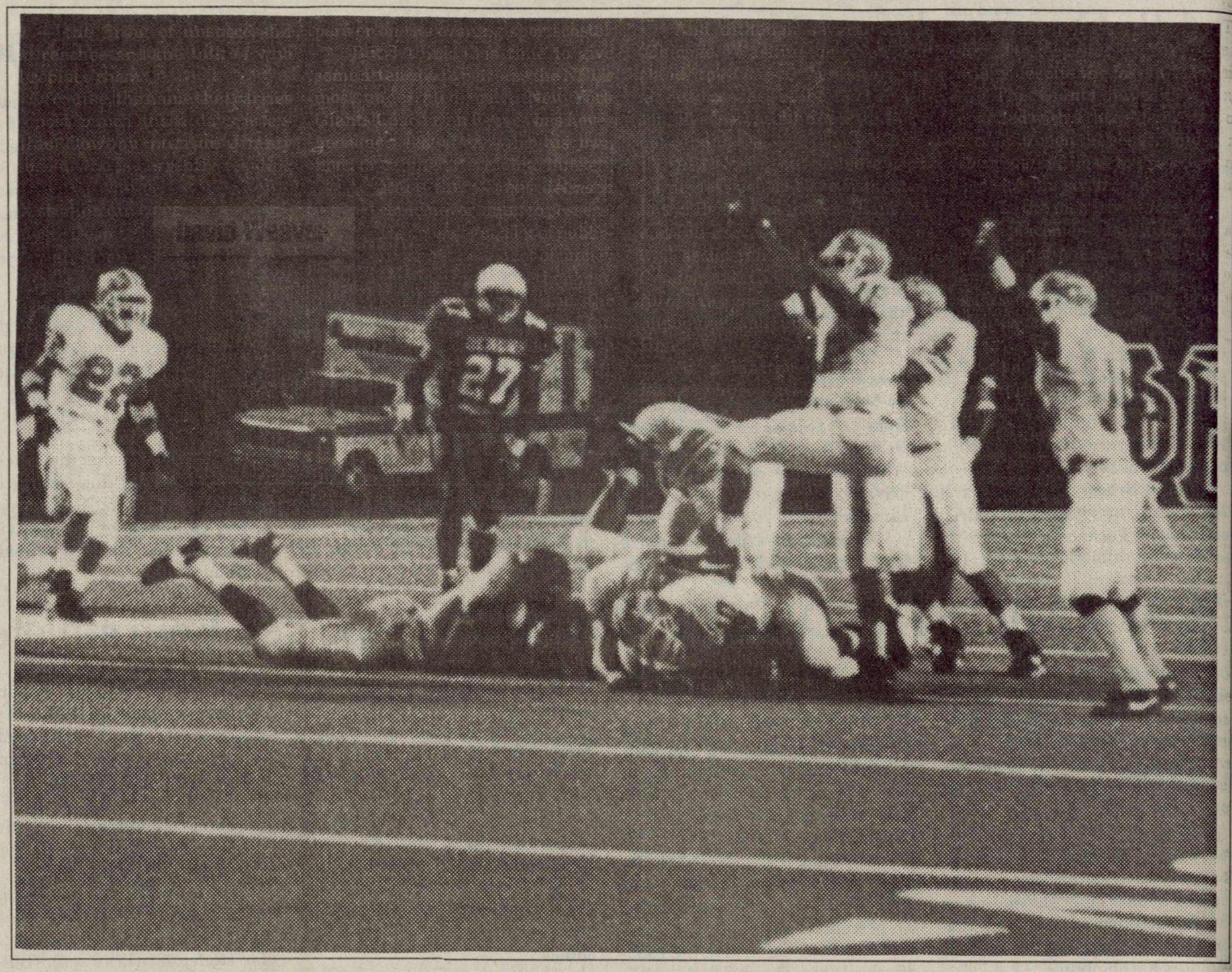
"They've already got by Southwest Texas and McNeese, two tougher teams than we've gotten by," Goodwin said. "So they are feeling pretty good too, and they've got an easier schedule from this point on than we do. If Stephen F. Austin or ourselves don't knock them off they'll probably win it. I don't know if anyone else is capable of beating them."

The 54-0 margin was the biggest-ever win for the Demons in a Southland Conference game, eclipsing the 52-0 victory over Stephen F. Austin in 1992. It was also the biggest margin of victory for a Northwestern team since the Demons pounded Livingston St. 64-0 in 1958. The 54 points put up by the Demon offense are the most in Goodwin's 12 years at the school, and the eight touchdowns it scored tied the school record.

Northwestern also set new Turpin-Stadium records with six rushing touchdowns and 417 yards on the ground. The previous highs were five touchdowns on the ground and 382 yards rushing.

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## Recovered



**Sam Houston State defenders recover a Danny Alexander fumble. The Demons crushed Sam Houston 54-0 and are tied for first place in the Southland Conference**

PHOTO BY CHAD SULLIVAN

### WHAT'S UP NEXT FOR THE DEMONS
### UNIVERSITY of NORTH TEXAS



**Location:** Denton, Texas

**Founded:** 1890

**Enrollment:** 26,460

**Nickname:** Eagles

**Colors:** Green and White

**Famous Alumni:** Mean Joe Green

**Conference:** Southland Conference

**Coach:** Matt Simon

**Career Record:** First Season

**1992 Record:** 4-7

**Last Meeting:** Northwestern won 38-37

**Next Game:** Oct. 29 — At Home Against Sam Houston State

**Neat Thing about North Texas:** Motion Picture *Necessary Roughness* was filmed on campus.

## Good coaches overlooked in 'revolving door' hype

Most National Football League insiders these days are hot on the trail of rumors and gossip as the season nears the halfway point. It always seems to happen right about now — the firing of unsuccessful head coaches and the talk of who will replace them.

Of course, the name that carries the most punch these days is ex-Dallas Cowboy mentor Jimmy Johnson, who is currently residing in the FOX studio as an analyst. Despite his well-documented ego and various personality quirks, Johnson is the hottest sports name this side of O. J. Simpson.

**David Weaver**



**SPORTS TALK**

And, of course, several current coaches are rumored to be on the chopping block of the Johnson guillotine — Sam Wyche in Tampa Bay, Jack Pardee in Houston, Wayne Fontes in Detroit and Wade Phillips in Denver. Some even feel that if George Seifert doesn't lead the 49ers into the promised land this season, he would be ushered out of San Francisco so that the red carpet can be rolled out to his former Dallas foe.

With all the hoopla that surrounds these rumors, it is very easy for the good, quality coaches to get overlooked. Perhaps the best way a coach can claim job security is if no one notices his name in the newspapers or on the evening sportscasts.

But I think it is time to give some attention to perhaps the NFL's most underrated coach. New York Giants Coach Dan Reeves has never been accused of blowing his own horn or calling attention to himself, traits that Jimmy Johnson could never claim to possess. He doesn't get a lot of publicity or get paid a lot of money considering what other head coaches bring in. But the bottom line is that Dan Reeves can flat-out coach football.

Reeves, of course, has been around a long time. Some folks in Denver wish he had been around the Rocky Mountains a lot longer right about now. Reeves led the Broncos as the Buffalo Bills of the 80s, losing three Super Bowls to the NFC kingpins of the decade by an average score of 45-13, and most of the games weren't even that close.

Those statistics, coupled with the fact that Reeves and franchise quarterback John Elway couldn't get along the majority of the time, were enough to get him edged out in the Mile High City after a decade of coaching there.

And although several teams (Chicago, Washington, New England, the Giants) were searching for head coaches in the 1993 off season, Reeves was far down the list of hot candidates.

After losing out on more popular names such as Dave Wannstedt to the Bears and former Giant legend Bill Parcells to the Patriots, as well as Boston College coach Tom Condon, the Giants in desperation turned to Reeves to take over for the unpopular and unproductive Ray Handley.

As a matter-of-fact, it was Reeves who contacted the Giants for the job and asked them to give him a chance. A staunch disciple of Tom Landry, Reeves took that chance and led a rebuilding Giants organization to an 11-5 record and the NFC playoffs, pushing the world champion Cowboys to the limit in the final week of the season. The miracle run by the Giants ended in San Francisco last January in the divisional playoffs, but Reeves had made his point.

The new Giants hero went into this season facing the prospect of playing the season after the retirement of defensive icon Lawrence Taylor and the salary cap release of veteran quarterback Phil Simms, both stalwarts of the Giants' two Super Bowl championships of the 1980s. Reeves appointed young Dave Brown as Simms' successor and has vowed to keep the New York defense stingy despite the loss of L.T.

The Giants have merely responded with a three-game winning streak to open the season and only a controversial loss to New Orleans kept it from stretching to four.

In the meantime, Reeves' Denver replacement, Phillips, has been cursed and abused by Denver fans over the Broncos' miserable start following a three-game losing streak that ended last season. The feeling here is that Broncos owner Pat Bowlen bowed to pressure from his quarterback and let the real team strength go, Dan Reeves.

Could Reeves lead the Giants to the Super Bowl this season? The chances are very slim. He has to contend with the toughest division and conference in the NFL and would have to somehow knock off the Cowboys and 49ers. But whether or not his team gains the ultimate prize doesn't reflect Reeves' current standing in the coaching ranks.

Just ask the folks in Broncoland how valuable he is. If Reeves isn't the most popular man in New York he most certainly is the most wanted in Denver.

## Academic requirements to get tougher for Athletes

DAVID WEAVER
*Current Sauce*

College athletics have long been a major source of income for the National Collegiate Athletic Association and universities across the country.

The lives of student athletes are filled with glory and bright lights as they strive for excellence on the field, on the court and on the track.

However, the fact that these athletes should eventually graduate has become an increasing priority in recent years, and according to Steve Hicks, Northwestern athletic academic advisor, the NCAA is getting tougher on athletic eligibility and graduation requirements.

"Beginning in the 1995-96 school year, general admissions and eligibility requirements for first-year athletes to compete will get tougher," Hicks said. "There is a priority being placed on the education of student athletes, and these tougher guidelines will include the student having to earn a higher grade point average for high school core classes (2.5 from the present 2.0) to be eligible to participate in his particular sport the first year."

As of now, incoming freshmen athletes must score at least 700 on the SAT or 17 on the ACT as well as posting a 2.0 GPA in high school core curriculum. Hicks said that with the strict regulations regarding athletic admissions, coaches also have to consider the student's grades in the recruiting process.

"For an athlete to be recruited, coaches must not only look at the student's athletic ability but also the student's entrance test grades and high school GPA," Hicks said. "They [coaches] have to find qualifiers in NCAA admission requirements when recruiting for the various sports."

Once a student athlete passes these requirements, he must then continue what is known as satisfactory progress in his degree program.

*"Student athletes must realize playing a sport is a bonus for their college career"*

STEVE HICKS
NSU ATHLETIC ACADEMIC ADVISOR

According to the NCAA, student athletes must complete 25 percent of their degree requirements by the beginning of their third year, 50 percent of their degree requirements by the beginning of their fourth year and 75 percent of their degree requirements by the beginning of their fifth year.

"The athlete must make progress toward a degree in order to remain eligible for athletic participation," Hicks said. "His grades are monitored by the registrar's office and our office, and we will know if any problems arise."

Hicks is a supporter of the satisfactory progress policy.

"I am definitely in favor of this," he said. "Student athletes must realize that playing a sport is a bonus in their college career. They must

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## NSU Golf team finishes ninth

TROY DEAN CONKLE
*Current Sauce*

The Demon golf team finished ninth this weekend at the Louisiana Intercollegiate Golf Tournament.

The University of New Orleans won the tournament, which was shortened to 36 holes due to rain, with a 12 over par 588. McNeese State's Mark Popp fired a 141 for 36 holes to claim the individual title.

Behind UNO in the team standings were Bossier Parish Community College which scored a 602, McNeese State with a 604, Louisiana Tech with a 609, and in fifth Tulane with a 611. The host team, Southeastern Louisiana University, finished sixth with a score of 613. Twelve teams played in the tournament.

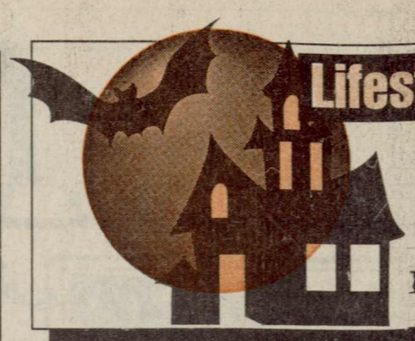
The Demons highest individual finisher was Troy Prosky whose two-day total of 158. Other Demons included Weyers Van Rensburg with a 163, Jason Myatt with a 164, Todd Archambault with a 165 and Nathan Bawdo with a 167.

The Demons next tournament will be Oct. 23 through 25 at the Annual Fall Golf Tournament in Calhoun, La. Louisiana Tech will host the tournament.



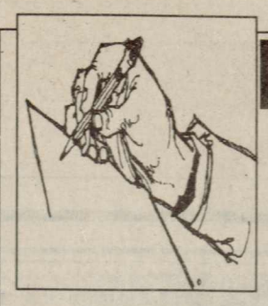
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Close game against North Texas is first conference loss for Demons



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Students talk about super-natural sightings



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Is the campus better off without the Greek version of "brotherhood?"


# CurrentSauce



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## Lasorda debuts next in lecture series

Tommy Lasorda, Los Angeles Dodger manager, will appear at Northwestern at 9:30 a.m. Nov. 3, in the A.A. Fredericks Auditorium. Lasorda's appearance is part of Northwestern's Distinguished Lecture Series. Admission is free and open to the public.

Lasorda has been in the Dodger organization for 45 years as a player, scout, coach and manager and claims that if you cut him he'll "bleed Dodger blue." He became manager of the Dodgers after the 1976 season, succeeding Walter Alston. In that time, the Dodgers have won two World Championships, four National League pennants and six Western Division titles. This year's team led the Western Division by two games when a player's strike ended the season. Lasorda recently signed a contract to manage the Dodgers for the 1995 season.

He is the dean of active major league managers for consecutive service with one team. Lasorda's tenure as Dodger manager ranks second among all active coaches in professional sports in head coaching tenure behind Don Shula of the Miami Dolphins. During his 18 years as Dodger manager, there have been more than 170 major league managerial changes, an average of more than six per team.

Lasorda captured National League pennants in 1977 and 1978, becoming the second manager in National League history and only seventh manager in baseball to win pennants in his first two years of managing in the majors.

He won his first world championship in 1981, guiding the Dodgers to their first world title since 1965. In 1988, he led the Dodgers to another World Series title capping one of baseball's most dramatic and improbable title runs. Lasorda managed the Dodgers to a seven-game National League Championship Series over the New York Mets, a team that had beaten Los Angeles 10 of 11 times during the regular season. In the World Series, the Dodgers upset the heavily-favored Oakland Athletics in five games.

Lasorda has become one of baseball's top goodwill ambassadors, making numerous appearances around the country in the off season. He has written his autobiography, *The Artful Dodger*, and is known even to non-baseball fans for his commercial endorsements and talk show appearances.

Past lecturers in the Distinguished Lecture Series include poet Maya Angelou, ABC News anchorman Peter Jennings, anthropologist Richard Leakey, authors Alex Haley, Ray Bradbury, David McCullough and W. P. Kinsella and playwright Wendy Wassertstein.

## NSU honors V.P. Winston

Mike Whitmire
*Current Sauce*

James Scarborough of the Natchitoches Police Jury and Cynthia Wilson of Delta Sigma Theta honored Northwestern Vice President of University Affairs John E. Winston as the first black to be named to the post in the school's history Sunday at the Student Union.

Winston, who got the job in July, was honored by dignitaries throughout the community of Natchitoches. The Natchitoches City Council, the Natchitoches Police Jury, the City of Natchitoches, the First Baptist Church, Parks Elementary School, the Louisiana House of Representatives and Senate all presented plaques to the former Parks Elementary principal.

"He's a self-starter and a hard worker," said Northwestern President Robert Alost of Winston. "He is organized and he does a super job for us. This is a historic event for those of us in Natchitoches."

Along with his duties at Northwestern, Winston also serves as a City Councilman. He returned the praise given to him by Dr. Alost.

"One man was courageous enough to take a giant step forward," Winston said. "It was a bold step to take in the oldest settlement of the Louisiana Purchase where there have been times when Natchitoches sometimes practiced things that didn't include all citizens. It was a bold step to break that barrier."

Winston didn't want to overemphasize the race issue. He was more interested in talking about his new role at the University.

"It is a historic event, but I don't want to give it undue emphasis," he noted. "Right now everything is running pretty well. One of my primary objectives is to go to Baton Rouge to try and get more funding for Northwestern. I expect to be going to the legislature quite a bit."



Photo by Jeff Fletcher

**John Winston addresses faculty and friends Sunday night during a reception held in his honor as the first black vice president of Univeristy Affairs at Northwestern**

## Demon Spirit



Photo by Rene Coronado

**Chad Barrios of the Northwestern cheerleading squad shows his homecoming spirit during the parade to Cane River Thursday evening. Festivities ended with a football game against North Texas Saturday.**

## World Report

### CAMPUS

**TWO PROFESSORS HONORED FOR OUTSTANDING SERVICE:** Frasier Snowden and Celia Decker were given 1994 Outstanding Teacher of the Year award. The Alumni Association honored them Saturday during Northwestern's homecoming activities. **PAGE 2**

**NORTHWESTERN TO OFFER MATH CERTIFICATION IN JANUARY:** The Department of Mathmatics and Science will offer the math certification in January to any middle and high school teachers. **PAGE 2**

**JAZZ BAND AND OPERA THEATER TO PERFORM THIS WEEK:** Northwestern's Jazz Band will perform 6 p.m. Wednesday in The Alley. The Opera Theater will perform on Thursday and Friday in the Magale Recital Hall at 7:30 p.m.

### CITY

**MAIN STREET RECEIVES BEAUTIFICATION GRANTS:** Facade grants totaling $9,000 were awared to the Main Street program in Natchitoches. The grants will be use to beautify the businesses around the Historic District by remodeling the fronts of their buildings. **PAGE 7**

**NATCHITOCHES GETS CONGRESSIONAL APPROVAL FOR NATIONAL PARK STATUS:** Congress is taking the final steps to establish the Cane River Creole National Historical Park and the Cane River National Heritage Area. **PAGE 7**

### STATE

**STATE COLLEGE ENROLLMENT INCREASES 8 PERCENT:** According to the state board of Regents, enrollment has increased 8 percent. Figures show total state college enrollment of 170,942 students, showing an increase of 1,290 students over last year's total of 169,652. Last fall, the state saw a 1.2 percent decrease for the first time in 10 years of record-breaking enrollment growth.

### NATION

**CHOCOLATE OVERDOSE? BEWARE OF THE RED LIGHT:** It was one of those days. You had a Pop-Tart and Pepsi for breakfast, a Big Mac for lunch, and managed to take full advantage of "Mexican Buffet Night" at your college cafeteria. Want to know the damage? The Nutrient Network, developed by Marriott Management Services, tallies daily intake of calories, cholesterol, protein, saturated fat and carbohydrates after a student punches in his or her daily menu. A green light indicates that the student's percentage of daily allowances are in an acceptable range, a yellow light signifies "borderline," and the red light signals that there is "cause for alarm."

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## NSU seeks input on mission statement

The Institutional Purpose Committee is in the process of developing a mission statement for the University.

Northwestern needs feedback from the University community on this document. This is a rewrite of a role and scope statement developed by the Board of Regents.

One of the must statements for the documents requires approval by governing boards.

The *Vision* of Northwestern is to be first in higher education in the thoughts of its constituents. To implement this Vision, Northwestern's primary purpose is to improve the quality of life for these constituents by providing the highest quality educational programs available within the South, providing cultural and entertainment opportunities for the region, and conducting research activities that directly improve the social and economic climate of the region, the state, the nation and beyond. The University seeks to develop this culture under the mandates of its higher education boards with the following *Mission*.

Northwestern State University, a member of the State colleges and Universities System, is categorized by the Southern Regional Education Board as a Four-Year IV University. The University primarily serves a nine parish region in rural northwest Louisiana, the population centers in Alexandria and Shreveport, then the State of Louisiana with outreach to the Nation and beyond. Northwestern serves the educational needs of the people through open admission programs including the arts, humanities and science, and places a strong emphasis on undergraduate professional programs in business administration, education and nursing. Additional undergraduate programs emphasized include accounting, computer information systems, industrial technology and liberal arts. Northwestern is home to the Louisiana Scholars' College, the state's selective admissions college for the liberal arts.

Northwestern's master's level efforts are concentrated in the high student demand areas of clinical psychology, education (counselor, general) and nursing. Additional master's program areas for emphasis include English, history and student personnel services. New programs at the master's duplicated at aproximate institution will be initiated when there is long-term, ongoing demand for graduates of such a program and the existing nearby program cannot expand to meet the demand. In such a case, Northwestern will propose close cooperation with institution offering the existing program.

Northwestern has a historical commitment to teacher education, a tradition in nursing education; and now a role in preservation technology placing the University in a position to enhance the economic development of the state and improve the quality of life for its citizens. The University will pursue research that aligns with its mission and resources. The establishment of the National Center for Preservation Technology and Training provides a fertile area for research pursuits. Public services activities will be undertaken to meet the needs of Northwestern's service area and to raise the level of education as well as the quality of life for the citizens of northwest Louisiana.

In support of this mission, the University is committed to educating students to be responsible, productive and contributing members of a democratic society, promoting scholarship and research valued for their own sake and for their contribution to superior teaching and public service, and serving the needs of its citizens with its knowledge and talent.

**Please mail suggestions to "Sacs Self-Study Office", Box 5234 by Friday, Oct. 28.**

## Two NSU professors honored during Homecoming

The Northwestern Alumni Association has named Celia Decker, professor of education, and Fraser Snowden, professor of philosophy, as recipients of the 1994 Outstanding Teacher Award at Northwestern.

Decker has been a member of the faculty since 1972. She is a member of the undergraduate and graduate faculty in early childhood education. Decker earned her bachelor's degree at The University of the Ozarks, her master's at the University of Kansas and a doctorate at the University of Arkansas. She has also taught at East Texas State University, the University of Arkansas and in the Kansas City Independent School District.

Her recent publications and papers have included her research on developing visual literacy, parenting in the 21st Century and a general work on early childhood.

Decker is a member of the Association for Childhood Education International, Louisiana Association on Children Under Six, National Association for the Education of Young Children, National Association of Early Childhood Teacher Educators, Society for Research in Child Development and Southern Early Childhood Association.

Snowden received a bachelor's, master's and doctorate at Tulane University. He has been a member of the Northwestern faculty since 1970. Snowden has also taught at Tulane University, Newcomb College and the University of Southwestern Louisiana.

He has published professional articles on the field of philosophy, religion, education, medical ethics and the AIDS epidemic. His reviews of approximately 175 books and audiovisual materials have been published in a variety of scholarly journals and mass-circulation magazines.

Snowden has been involved in several grant projects with the National Endowment for the Humanities. The projects include a three-year grant to the Louisiana Scholars' College for curriculum development, a study grant, *The Gnostic Gospels: Orthodoxy and Heterodoxy in Early Christianity*, and *Human Values in Nursing: An Integrative, Multidisciplinary Approach* for the Division of Nursing.

The Alumni Association honored Decker and Snowden Saturday during Northwestern's homecoming activities.



**Buddy Hays, a senior math major from Shreveport, packs his notes for the debate team's tournament at Emporia State University in Emporia, Kan. last week. A small trailer attached to their van is needed to hold all their reference material. The debate team was ranked first in the nation last year.**

## Northwestern to offer certification in mathematics

The Department of Mathematics and Science is offering a program for middle school and high school teachers wishing to gain certification in mathematics.

The Certification Mathematics Project for 1994-95 is funded under a grant from the Louisiana Higher Education Eisenhower (MSEA) Program and the Louisiana Systemic Initiatives Program.

The program will begin in January and ends in the summer of 1995.

Participants will earn six hours of credit toward certification in precalculus mathematics by the completion of the project. Those taking part will receive a $20 per day stipend and free tuition.

The content of the two courses is based on graphing technology. Each participant will receive a TI-82 graphing calculator and textbooks. Technology will include spreadsheets, derive, equation editors and TI-CBL (calculator-based-laboratory).

The project is limited to 23 teachers, and the deadline to apply is Nov. 11. For more information, contact your school principal or project director Dr. Stan Chadick at 357-5033.

## Women's Colleges Launch Ad Campaign

The same group that brought Smokey Bear and McGruff the Crime Dog to the American collective conscious hopes to similarly raise public awareness about women's colleges.

The Women's College Coalition and The Advertising Council have joined forces to launch the first national public service campaign focusing on girls' and women's education. The Ad Council has appointed the New York-based ad agency Messne, Vetere, Berger, McNamee, Schmetterer to develop the campaign.

Recently, women's colleges have enjoyed an enrollment surge, and over the past three years, the nation's 84 women's colleges have reported a 20 percent increase in the number of students attending

The campaign will target school girls, their parents and teachers.

## Study Ranks Best Cities for Job-Seeking Grads

Want a job after graduation? Then check out Salt Lake City, Utah; Madison, Wis.; or Sioux Falls, S.D.

These cities rank No. 1 on the respective lists for best large, medium and small markets in which to start a career, according to the college edition of *National Business Employment Weekly*.

"We based our findings on a number of different criteria, including projected employment growth, general economic trends and the cost of living, giving attention to factors such as low rent, low taxes and low insurance," Tony Lee, editor of *National Business Employment Weekly*, said.

While many college grads dream of making it big in cities such as New York and Los Angeles, these metropolitan areas may not be the best places to launch a career, Lee said.

"These cities are very expensive and employment growth wasn't that great," he said. "In fact, both cities actually experienced a net loss in jobs last year."

Large cities, defined as having more than 500,000 jobs in the local economy, that ranked in the top five are Salt Lake City; Indianapolis, Ind.; Nashville, Tenn.; Louisville, Ky. and Greensboro/Winston-Salem, N.C. Major metropolitan areas such as Phoenix, Minneapolis and Atlanta also made the top 10 list.

The top five cities in medium markets — with 150,000 to 500,000 jobs — included Madison; Austin, Texas; Lake County, Ill.; Raleigh/Durham, N.C. and Omaha, Neb.

Small-cities included Sioux Falls; Provo, Utah; Boise, Idaho; Santa Fe, N.M.; and Rapid City, S.D.

## The Orange Bowl Moves

Beginning in 1997, the Orange Bowl (football game) will not be played in the Orange Bowl (stadium).

The New Year's Day showdown has been played at the Orange Bowl in Miami for the past 61 years, but after a two-hour meeting this month, the Orange Bowl Committee voted by secret ballot to move its game to the 4-year-old Joe Robbie Stadium, located a few miles north of the city.

Ed Williamson, OBC president, admitted he had mixed emotions when voting with the majority to move but said the decision was "forced by the change in college athletics."

Earlier this year, college officials formed the Bowl Alliance as a way to ensure a championship matchup on New Year's Day between the nation's top two ranked teams. The Orange, Fiesta and Sugar bowls are given the championship rotation in the six-year agreement.

But the Orange Bowl's inclusion in the Bowl Alliance depended upon this month's decision. Had the OBC voted to keep the game at the "Grand Old Dame of Fourth Street," Bowl Alliance commissioners said they would have offered the championship-game slot to the Gator Bowl in Jacksonville, Fla., which offered $15 million to $20 million more for

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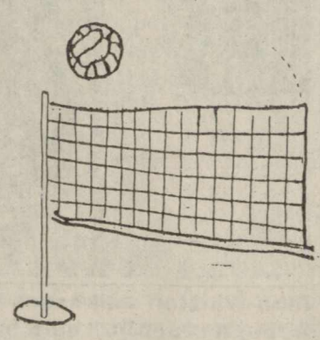
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# Isabella



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**Isabella is the French maiden who, accordingly "moved" from Caldwell Hall in 1982 after it caught fire to the old women's gym, now the oldest building on campus**

# Ghost Sightings at Northwestern

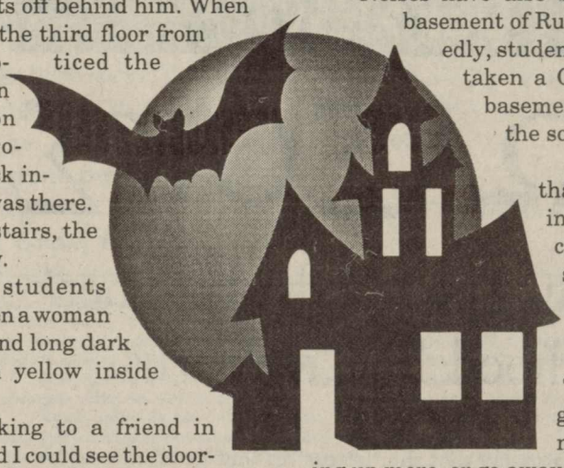
Heather Cooley
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*Editor's Note: Due to a request made by the students interviewed, names have been changed.*

Most Northwestern students have heard the story of the ghost Isabella. But, according to some students, she is only one of several ghosts or spirits haunting campus.

One student claims to have seen a silhouette in a third story window of Russell Hall.

One night, the student left Russell Hall, turning the lights off behind him. When he looked up to the third floor from outside, he noticed the lights had been turned back on again. He proceeded to go back inside to see who was there. When he got upstairs, the room was empty.



Several students claim to have seen a woman with pale skin and long dark hair dressed in yellow inside Russell Hall.

"I was talking to a friend in Russell Hall, and I could see the doorway past her and the stairwell," "Jane" said. "She [the woman in yellow] came down the stairwell and went into the wall. She appeared confused."

Jane talked to her friends about the woman she saw. They told her of a house that had burned down in front of Russell Hall. The story goes that a lady had been asleep in the house and died in the fire.

"I think that is why she is confused, she doesn't know where she is," Jane said. "I don't know why she is dressed in yellow, because most of the time when you think of ghosts, you think of white. The only thing I could think of, is that yellow is the color of insanity. It could be her aura." The *Webster Dictionary* definition of aura is "a distinctive and pervasive quality surrounding a person or thing."

The yellow lady has also been seen at Boozman Dorm. She was spotted on the third floor lobby balcony facing Varnado by a different student. "Sally" was studying one night and saw the lady outside on the balcony. Sally, not feeling threatened in any way, thought she was hallucinating. She didn't discuss what she saw with anyone, until she heard Jane tell about her sighting at Russell Hall. Jane described the exact same yellow lady. Only than did Sally "freak out" and start to cry.

Noises have also been heard in the basement of Russell Hall. Supposedly, students in the past have taken a Ouija board to the basement to try and find the source of the noises.

"It worries me that they are renovating Russell Hall, because a lot of the spiritual activity seems to be centered around there," Jane said. "I don't know if it is going to make them mad and start acting up more, or go away. I began to wonder why our mascot is the demon."

The Old Women's Gym is another area that haunts some students. Last semester, a group of students went to the Old Women's Gym. Some of the group decided they wanted a look inside. They checked the doors one time and found them to be locked, but when they double checked, they found a door cracked open.

"I told them no, I wasn't going in there, not only because of the spirits, but you could fall through the floor and kill yourself," Jane

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# Contests give chance for cash

Students usually call mom or dad or get a job when they need money or attention. Entering a contest is an alternative that could also lead to extra income.

***Argus***

Oct. 28 is the deadline for submissions to the campus literary magazine, *Argus*. Students can submit literary and art works for the chance to be awarded prizes of $50 to $100 for the top three entries in the categories of poetry, art, fiction, nonfiction and cover design.

The cover design must be no larger than 7 1/2 inches by 10 inches with *Argus* 1994 written on the cover.

Each entry must be typed and include only the student's social security number on the top of each page. Cover sheets will be available from the *Argus* office on the second floor of the Student Union. For information, call Amy Daldry at 357-4501.

**Photography Contest**

*Photographer's Forum* and Nikon Inc. are sponsoring the 15th Annual College Photography contest. Possible prizes include money, a camera or a lens. Also, all submissions are subject to later publication in *Photographer's Forum*, but photo rights remain with the photographer at all times. Subject matter is open.

Entries must be 8in. by 10 in. or smaller, unmounted and labeled with the photographer's name and address.

Black and white prints and color prints or slides are eligible. And, students may submit as many photographs as they like. Entries postmarked before Oct. 28 are considered early and only require a $2.75 fee per entry. Regular entries cost $3.75 per entry and are due postmarked before Nov. 25.

All entries must include payment and photograph or they will be returned. Finalists will be notified by Feb. 7 and winners will be notified by Feb. 16. Winners could receive up to $1,000 for the best print or slide. Fliers are posted on the second floor bulletin board, outside the Fine Arts' photography lab.

**Essay Contest**

The Elie Wiesel Foundation for Humanity announced *Creating an Ethical Society: Personal Responsibility and the Common Good* as the theme for their essay contest. Wiesel established the foundation after receiving the 1986 Nobel Peace Price.

Junior and senior undergraduates are eligible. Only three essays from each school will be accepted. Essays must be submitted by a college or university on behalf of its students. Entry forms are available from The Elie Wiesel Prize in Ethics, The Elie Wiesel Foundation for Humanity, 1177 Avenue of the Americas, 36th floor, New York, N.Y. 10036. Essays must be submitted by Jan. 13, 1995.

Two honorable mentions will receive $500 each. The second prize is $2,500, and the first place award is $5,000. Recipients of first, second and third prizes will also be guests of the foundation at an awards ceremony in New York City.

**Works on Paper**

The LSU Union Art Advisory Board at Louisiana State University, a volunteer student organization, is sponsoring a drawing, print and photograph competition and exhibition. The juried exhibit is open to any artist residing in Louisiana. A $15 non-refundable participation fee entitles artists to enter up to three works. The works of art must be less than 72 inches in any dimension-framed, must be original and must have been completed within the last two years. Awards range from $100 each for five merit awards and up to $500 for first place. The deadline is 6 p.m. Nov. 4.

# Preservation center takes root at NSU

## National Center for Preservation Technology and Training will be housed in NSU's oldest building

The new staff of the National Center for Preservation Technology and Training has begun to settle in at Northwestern.

The executive director of the Center is John Robbins, an architect who specializes in historic preservation. The National Park Service named Robbins director in July.

The Center was established by 1992 amendments to the National Historic Preservation Act. "Its directives are to coordinate and promote preservation research, to distribute information, and to provide training in preservation skills and technologies," according to the Oct./ Nov. 1994 issue of *Historic Preservation News*.

Robbins received his degree from the University of Virginia. He has worked as a historical architect with National Park Service offices in Denver, Colo., Tucson, Ariz., and New York City. According to Robbins, he also worked in a private architectural practice in New York and was the National Park Service's project architect for the restoration of the Statue of Liberty National Monument in the 1980s.

According to *Historic Preservation News*, Robbins said he was attracted to the job by its potential for work in preservation on a national level. Robbins also said that the Statue of Liberty project was made possible by the cooperation of many different organizations and he hopes the new Center will also engage in partnerships with both old and new preservation organizations and will be as "broad-based as possible."

Robbins is currently working with the new Preservation Technology and Training Board, headed by Elizabeth A. Lyon, Georgia state preservation officer, according to *Historic Preservation News*. The board met at Northwestern in April to outline the Center's activities in research, training and management.

Robbins is also working on grants which the Center will award to nonprofit organizations and educational institutions, according to the article.

Currently, the Center's staff is becoming organized at Northwestern. Mary Carroll will be the Center's information management specialist. She will be responsible for the in-Center computers and programs, and electronic connections to the outside world, according to Robbins. Carroll has a BA and MA in anthropology from Arizona State University with graduate work at the University of Arizona. She has worked as assistant laboratory director for ASU's Roosevelt Platform Mound Study, as an archaeologist with the Arizona State Historic Preservation Office, as a research associate with ASU's Department of Anthropology and as a private archaeology database consultant and a field archaeologist.

Fran Gale will the the Center's training coordinator. Gale will be responsible for the conservation education aspects of the Center.

Gale studied at Smith College, Ulster County Community College, Empire State College, Harvard University and New York University's Institute of Fine Arts. Gale received a graduate degree in historic preservation from Columbia University and worked with the Center for Preservation Research there as associate director for projects Robbins said.

Gale has also taught in preservation programs at Columbia and the University of Pennsylvania. Gale also worked with the National Park Service during the restoration of the Statue of Liberty as well as in private architectural practices.

Mark Gilberg will be the Center's research coordinator.

Gilberg has a BS and an MS in chemistry from Stanford University, and a Ph.D. from the University of London's Institute of Archaeology. He was the scientific officer responsible for conservation research in the Materials Conservation Division of the Australian Museum in Sydney, and was conservation scientist with the Canadian Conservation Institute at Ottawa.

Gilberg will stay in Natchitoches for approximately one month this fall and will return at the beginning of January after completing a research project already underway.

Ellen Kish will be the Center's secretary. Kish has many years of experience as lead secretary in public and private offices. Her last position was with the Center for Disease Control in Atlanta, Ga.

The Center's staff is currently house in Rm. 108 of Kyser Hall. However, the staff will eventually move to the Old Gymnasium, built in 1923 and closed in 1970, which is the oldest building on campus.

At the time it was built the building cost $70,000, had a seating capacity of 1,500, an indoor track and was considered one of the finest gymnasiums in the South.

The building was originally used for educational and social activities for both men and women — but at separate times. In 1928 members of both sexes were allowed to attend activities together. In 1930, the building became the Women's Gymnasium, before undergoing minor renovations in 1938.

The Park Service and the State of Louisiana are working together to renovate the building to house offices and training and laboratory space for the Center.

Construction is scheduled to begin early next year.

# Puffalump Lost

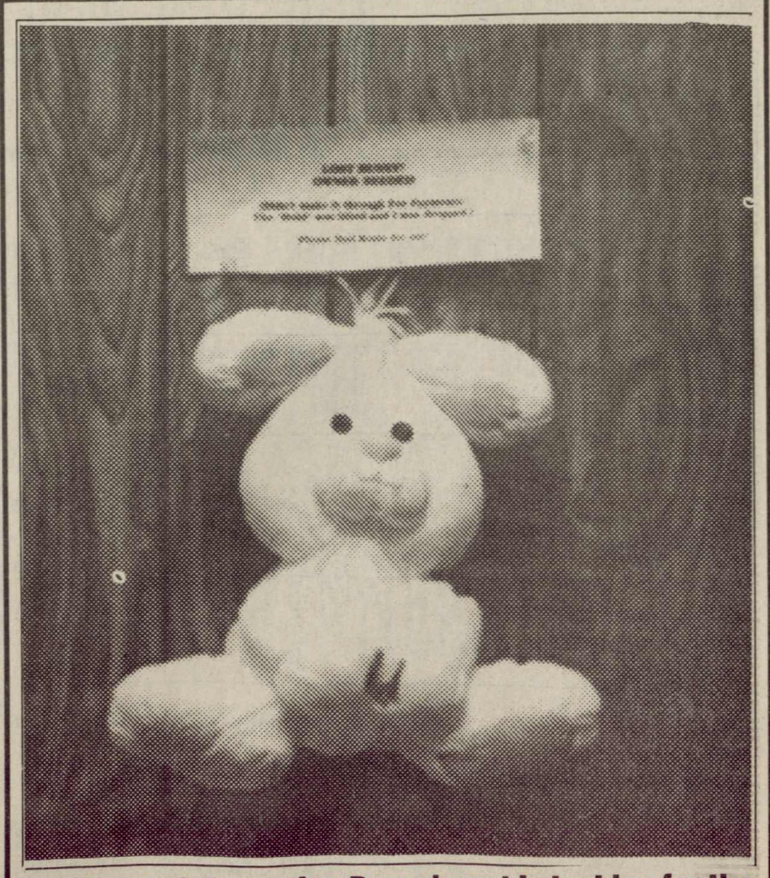


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**The Sports Information Department is looking for the owners of this Puffalump bunny that was lost during fee payment at the beginning of the fall semester**

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**Our**View

# ΣΔΩΑΣΟΚΣ

## Conflicting portrayals of brother/sisterhood: It's Greek to us.

It's probably fair to say that the "letters" in that headline conjure up vastly different feelings depending on the person reading them.

In different arrangements, the letters could stir feelings of brotherhood, loyalty and honor: feelings we most admire in our fellow human beings. But how many people on campus can actually say that the letters actually mean that much to them?

Fraternities and sororities on the Northwestern campus are truly dedicated to the ideals of brotherhood, but only among students of matching backgrounds and "letters."

To illustrate our point, two members of the *Current Sauce* staff roamed the halls of Kyser and the Student Union randomly asking people for their opinions on this week's Current Quotes question. The question was, "Do you think Northwestern's Greek Organizations promote campus unity or divisiveness?"

The resounding answer was that they promoted divisiveness. Out of nearly 30 people interviewed, only two said the organizations contributed to campus unity.

The students' reasoning was varied. Some mentioned fights among individual fraternity members while others talked about how Greek organizations looked down their noses at non-members.

Certainly, the informal poll in no way means to say that Greeks are bad people. On the contrary, The *Current Sauce* has several Greek staff members who perform their duties well and hold no prejudice against people who are different. On the other hand, our staff also includes a variety of people from all races and socioeconomic backgrounds. This isn't something you're likely to see among the social Greeks.

Furthermore, the lack of racial integration among these groups, both black and white, is a testament to the need for a more open dialog. Why in the 1990s is any part of Northwestern still segregated? Is there a significant reason why white sororities belong to the Panhellenic organization while the black sororities belong to the Pan-Hellenic organization? Isn't there some charitable cause on which these groups could work together?

College should be a time to learn to work and socialize with a wide variety of people, from many different backgrounds. How can students learn to function in the "real world" if they refuse to work with anyone who is different or who wears different letters on his or her tee-shirt?

Moreover, the many trivial but dangerous fights some of the more hot-headed fraternity members get into give a bad name to the rest of the Greeks as well as Northwestern as a whole.

The majority of the Greek students do much to promote school spirit. Several Greek organizations also promote unity among the various sororities and fraternities. But there are always a few who give a bad name to the rest.

While we at the *Current Sauce* do not discourage membership in these social organizations, we do advise members of these groups to crack down on the unbecoming behavior in which some Greeks participate.

Perhaps the best way to gain social skills and promote Northwestern is to learn to work together -- regardless of race or Greek affiliation.

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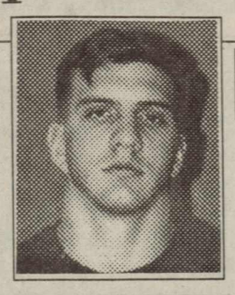
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# *Kitsch* the equivalent of 'fart' on bathroom wall



**Andrew**Martin

Guest Column

For the first time in my young college career I have actually taken the time to sit down and read the *Kitsch*. It is not one of the better decisions I have made recently. The *Kitsch* is the underground newspaper printed occasionally by disgruntleld Scholars' College students.

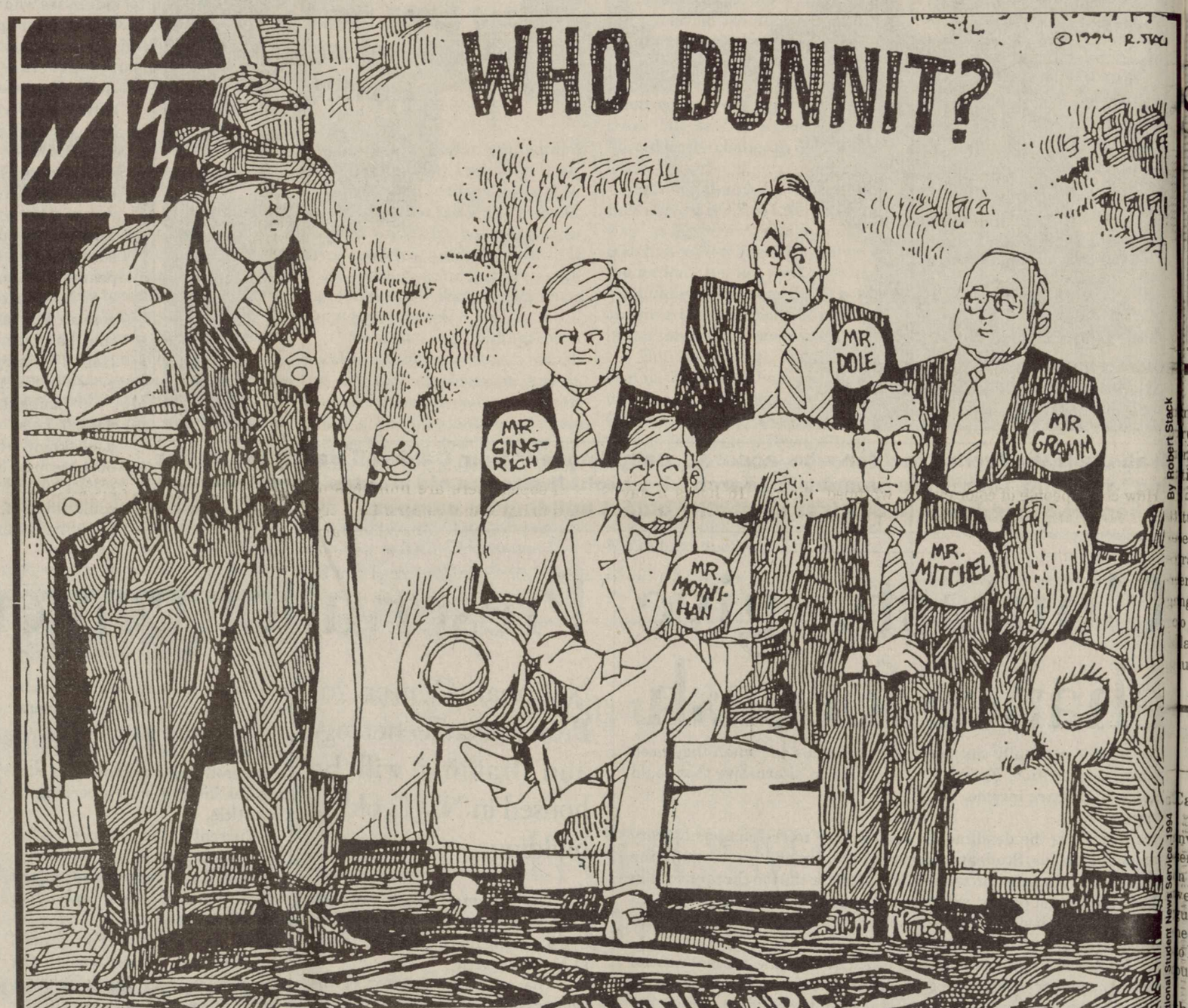
It is a rag that serves no purpose beyond acting as a vessel for a bunch of intellectually undernourished dregs to get profanity and unsubstantiated rumors put into print. To use the right of freedom of speech to defend it is a stain on the First Amendment.

Their recent issue "discussed" a tenure decision made by Dr. Ray Wallace over in Scholars' College. This issue as a whole affects me none as I am not enrolled in LSC, but as a journalism major I cannot help but feel that their approach to the situation was immature and very ineffective. An article without a name on it (or a whole paper) is a glaring expression of cowardice. Are the "editors and staff" of the *Kitsch* afraid to stand up and claim their own writings? If they really believe in free speech and freedom of expression like they claim, they would not be afraid to stand up and suffer whatever persecution might come from such biased and radical beliefs. Come on kids, this isn't high school. The principal isn't going to send for you after class and give you detention. This is college. You should be at a point by now where you have the balls to claim your "work" and your opinions.

Something that appalls me more than the Kitsch itself is the fact that there has apparently been an undisturbed line of "free thinkers" (read that as morons) that have kept this trash going. I know that society, morals, and ethics in journalism have taken a step back (thanks in part to you liberal thinkers, a true oxymoron) over the past 10 years but I had never realized just how far back some people can go. Eight years of this kind of gutless mudslinging is a poor reflection on the people who have been involved in it, supported it, and applauded it.

The *Kitsch* is the college equivalent of little kids writing "fart" on a bathroom wall while giggling uncontrollably at their "fantastic humor." It is a good example of what these people spend their time thinking about. "Let's see who we can piss off for the hell of it" and "How many times can we say *&@# in this issue" are probably thoughts that plague these feeble-minded warriors of free speech. The main difference between the Kitsch writers and the people who write in the bathroom stalls in Kyser is probably a *Roget's Thesaurus* and the ability to use it.

If you write in the bathrooms here, don't be offended; I'd much rather read your work than the *Kitsch* (and I might add that the paper used for the *Kitsch* would be of better use on a roll than on a printing press).




# Life in radioland with the 'Cajun Trio'



**Jason**Steiner

Column

*"If everyone gets their own spoon out and causes a stir, our university will be much better for all concerned"*

Many older people claim the younger generation lacks originality and creativity. After listening to our student radio station, KNWD 91.7 the Demon, I can see points on both sides of the coin.

I'm a faithful radio fan, and there is always one on in my room. Being the spirited student I am, it is turned to the Demon most of the time. A few weeks ago,on a sunny Thursday afternoon, I heard the "Cajun Trio" pulling all kinds of antics on the air, and it intrigued me. I couldn't remember laughing so hard in a while.

Ever since then, I was hooked. On Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11:00 to 1:00, I was glued to the radio, just so I wouldn't miss what would happen next. Then mysteriously a week went by and no Cajun Trio.I learned they had been dismissed because of some objectionable material they had been saying while on the air. This was just not right.

After just a brief week hiatus, the Cajun Trio was put back on the air. I felt it necessary to investigate what all the stink was about, so I asked the Trio if I could sit in on one of their shows. This was definitely going to be an experience.

I showed up a little early, so I could meet them formally. "Uncle" Tait Martin, Marc Kimball, and Kristian "Konan the Librarian" Gaudet introduced themselves and then began their craziness. These three young men from Cutoff, La. seemed at first to not have the slightest clue, but yet were organized in their own and chaotic sort of way.

Their two hours on the air consisted of total pandemonium. Their brand of improvisation and originality totally amazed me. Even though they didn't really know what they were going to play next or what they were going to say on the air, they did it with a brand of confidence rarely displayed by young people.

Sadly, the show had to come to a close. My faith in our generation had been restored. That feeling of exuberation was quickly squashed after watching the next disc jockey get ready for her show.

The next D.J. came in and I almost came to tears. She quietly pulled all the music for her show and treated her show more as a job rather than a privilege extended to her by the University.

I also noticed other shows that showed no shred of originality whatsoever. It happens during the evenings during the "urban" programming. There is nothing wrong with the music itself, but it does get kind of old hearing the dedication to the "homies standing outside of Rapides dorm." If you can't think of anything to say, keep your mouth closed and play the music.

I'm not saying the Cajun Trio is the only good show on the Demon. The morning show with Jeff and Bill brings to the air humor with a good mix of music. They even know who Uriah Heep is. Other shows during the afternoon also entertain the students with colorful DJ's.

The radio station is owned and operated by the students. If you have comments or suggestions about programming or anything else, feel free to call their South Hall studios. They are always open to student suggestion. If you would be interested in being a disc jockey, it is on a volunteer basis. Go by for further information.

The Cajun Trio did give me their ideology: "Northwestern is a pot of gumbo, and we are the spoon stirring it." What a profound statement from three crazy DJ's. All students should follow Tait, Mark, and Konan's thinking. We, the student body, essentially run the school. If everyone gets their own spoon out and causes a stir, our University will be much better for all concerned.

# Campus Forum

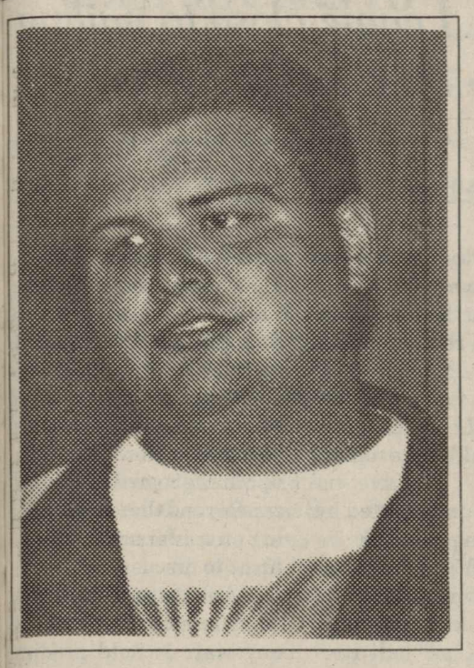
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**News and Views from the Northwestern Community**

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## Current Quotes

### Do Greek organizations divide or bring unity to the campus?



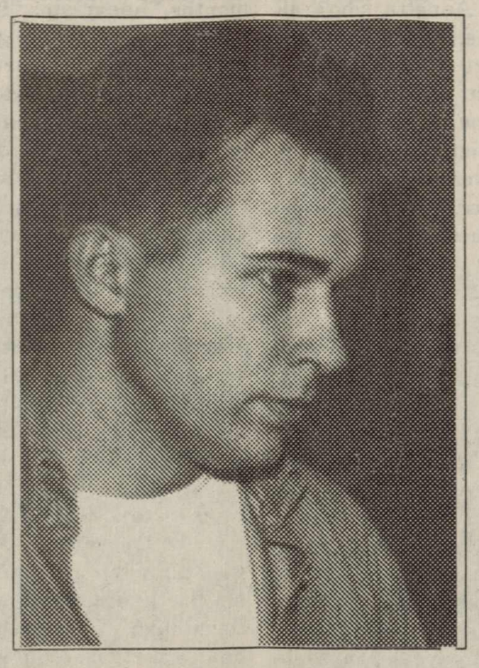
"I think they divide it because of all the fighting and carrying on they do. This is making more people leave the campus."

***Gabriel Stuwart; Jr, Ebarb***



" I feel that Greek organizations can bring unity to the campus becuase they bring diverse people together to reach a common goal."

***Shakira Baldwin, Jr, Montgomery***



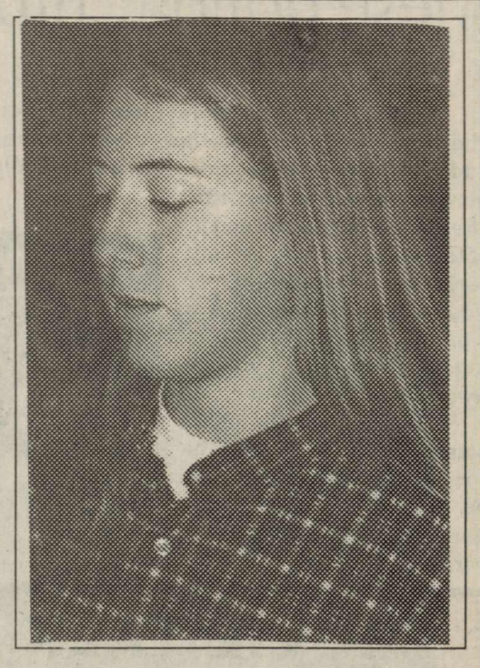
"Apparently they don't provide unity if they are going to fight. I think it just forms cliques and if you don't belong you're an outcast."

***David Wilson, Jr., Zwolle***



"I think it goes both ways, it depends on the personality of the Greek system and the fraternities and sororitites. I think there are benefits and drawbacks."

***Jami Barto, Grad, Penn.***



"I think they separate the campus because they have their own little groups."

***Karen Brumfield, Jr, Mandevillle***

## Slave auctions not to be taken lightly



**Mick Dorsey**

**Forum Viewpoint**

What! An auction? I know you know not of what you do, for you are truly ignorant. Some of you do have prior knowledge of such events but still participate like blind fools.

How could people of color even attempt to try and make light of a period in time when your great grandparents and their parents suffered under tremendous abuse during the time of slavery? How can you so easily imitate the horrors of a slave auction and bid on another human being to be yours, and God forbid, do what you will?

Do you realize, that not long ago, you men and women would have been, on daily occasions, brutally raped, slashed, bred like mules, whipped, labored 16 hours a day, forced to wear heavy chains and seek permission to make love to your spouse? Not to mention, you men being castrated if the "massa" was offended by your size. There are many more situations that could be noted, but obviously, you could care less, right?

You say to yourselves, "Oh that was all in the past, things are different now." Well you keep on expressing your stupidity and we will all be standing in line to get branded. It's bad enough those other fraternities and sororities live their lives glorifying the days of the "old South." They even have the audacity to call it what it really is. But you think, by calling it by another name makes it all right, well you're wrong. To see you do this is shameful and belittles the struggle and triumphs of our ancestors who fought for our pride, dignity and freedom.

People, there are hundreds of ways to have fund raisers. Let's try and develop better ways to earn money. We free minded brothers and sisters would like to ask of you to please not insult our race again and to please think of this as medicine, "it always tastes bad going down, but it's good for you."

MINUTES FOR THE NORTHWESTERN STATE UNIVERSITY STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION MEETING 10/10/94

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. The pledge of allegiance was led by Kasey Nunley and the prayer was led by Romona Reed. Jonathan Gauthier called roll and Rick Bailes, Jeff Burkett, Sherard Joseph, Ross Kelley, Will Veuleman were not present. The minutes were approved as being read.

Wendy called for officer's reports and Clay said the Swamp Demons and the Flight Team came to the Club Sports meeting. He is working on sending letters to organizations requesting their budgets.

Jacinda said name tags should be in at the end of the week. Each senator who attended INSERVICE this past Sunday will receive six extra points. Jeff Foshee has resigned from the senate. Elections went over well. Several people did not sign up and several people did sign up but didn't show and some people even left. Despite these no shows, the election went over well. If you don't show up, don't sign up. Jacinda recognized Jacob Johnson and Paul Ayo for their outstanding work. They picked up everyone else's slack. Everyone should have signed up for three hours and should have worked three hours.

Blair said that two appointments will be made tonight with a motion to the University Disciplinary Appeals Committee. The two appointments will be Brian Hurst and Dr. Colson. INSERVICE went over extremely well for those that attended. Blair called out the names of the senators who were present. We got a lot accomplished. Blair was unable to make committee assignments due to illness.

Wendy called for committee reports and Mary Ann said that Campus Improvements met and only two people showed up. She would like to meet with the members of her committee after tonght's meeting to set up a time to meet.

Dana Lewisa announced that Free Speech committee will meet Wednesday at 3:30.

Wendy called for old business. There was none. She called for new business and Paul moved to go into executive session. The motion was seconded, and passed unanimously. The senate went into executive session at 7:13 and returned to the regular meetng at 7 :22.

Wendy asked if there was anymore new business. A motion was made to appoint Brian Hurst and Dr. Colson to the University Appeals Committee. The motion was voted upon and passed unanimously.

Wendy said that the Flight Team looked together at the Club Sports meeting. They want $7,130. Last year they received $6,370 and have $5,000 in fund raisers. She made a motion to allocate money to the Flight Team and the motion was tabled. The Swamp Demons will be here at next Monday's meeting. They want double the money they received last year. Senators, please try to attend the next Club Sports meeting.

Wendy called for special reports and Melissa said that she and Paul Ayo attended the Committee on Organizations meeting and reported that there will be two new clubs: the Chess Club and Amateur Radio Club.

Misty Mayeux gave her SAB report and said that at the SAB meeting the concert was talked about and there will be no homecoming t-shirts this year because they couldn't get a disign in on time.

Clay Gardner asked if SGA received a homecoming packet. Blair read over the homecoming events contained in the packet. Wendy is in charge of SGA's representation in the Lip Sinc contest. The SGA meeting will be following the Lip Sinc Contest next Monday night. Paul gave the idea of a time warp for SGA's skit/act. Wendy called for the senators in the contest to meet this Thursday at 3:00 in the President's Room. Paul and Chris will make the tape. Jacinda asked senators if they could get the words to the songs and make copies for Thursday. Philip said we could use his guitars for props.

Blair said Jonathan will have a phone list in each senator's box by Wednesday. A sheet was passed around for senators to give the information.

Wendy called for special reports and Mary Ann said there will be a homecoming reception Tuesday the 18th at 11:00 in the President's Room. Wear your name tag.

Wendy called for announcements and Melissa announced that SGA pictures will be tomorrow evening at 8:35 in the Fine Arts building. It was agreed upon that senators be there at 8:30.

Amy Dafler is looking into making posters to put around campus that would publicize SGA meetings and committee meetings. Amy was then made chairman of the Spirit External Communications Committee.

Academic Affairs committee needs to meet after tonight's meeting.

Renee wants names of people who want to help her with the banner for the homecoming banner competition. Kasey Nunley said she could draw if someone could give her ideas of what to draw.

Blair said to see him to get forms for homecoming competition.

Misty asked that if any senator wanted to help her and Jaime Cheramie with a float for the competition to submit his/her name to one of the two.

Jacob Johnson moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded, and passed unanimously. The meeting ended at 7:48 p.m.

## Campus Connection

**Campus Connection Guidelines**

The staff of the *Current Sauce* invites all campus organizations to send announcements for publication in Campus Connection. However, we remind organizations of the guidelines involved. Campus Connection submissions must be brought to Rm. 225 by noon on the day before publication.

All submissions should be **less than 100 words** and should pertain solely to **meetings, announcements and upcoming activities**. Birthday greetings, congratulations and/or product advertisements should be submitted as paid classified ads. All submissions are subject to editorial alteration. For more information, contact the *Current Sauce* at 357-5456.

**Sigma Kappa**

Sunday's informal meeting is at p.m. Meet at the house for a surprise road trip. Chapter consultant meeting is at 8 p.m. this Thursday. If you cannot attend please write an excuse. Pledge meetings are 7:30 p.m. Mondays. Purple Passion photos will be in next week. Mid-Terms are due. Panhellenic Service project Halloween day — more information at Thursday's meeting.

**Non-Traditional Students Organization**

Non-Traditional Students Organization (NTSO) will meet at noon tomorrow in Rm. 221 of the Student Union. Yvonne Nichaldson of contributing education will be the guest speaker.

**Native American Student Association**

The Native American Student Association will meet at 4 p.m. tomorrow in Rm. 212 Kyser Hall.

**Northwestern Events**

Northwestern will host a conference for educators, *The Information Super-Highway: Education's On-Ramp to the Global Village* from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. tomorrow in Kyser Hall and the Student Union. For more information call Sujuan Boutte at 357-4570.

Northwestern will host a meeting of the State Board of Regents tomorrow and Thursday. The Board's main topic will be college and university budgets for 1995-96. Call Carol Coltharp at (504) 342-4253 for more information.

Northwestern will also host the annual Marching Contest beginning at noon Saturday in Turpin Stadium. Fifteen bands from Louisiana and Texas will participate. For more information contact Bill Brent at 357-4522.

**The International Student Organization**

The International Student Organization is throwing a Halloween party at 7 p.m. Saturday in The Alley. Purchase tickets in advance from Michelle Lewis at the Registrar's Office in Roy Hall. Tickets are $1 and include refreshments. Prizes will be awarded for the best overall costume.

***Argus***

Yes, *Argus* meetings are open to the public. We meet at 5 p.m. every Tuesday. Experience is welcome but not required.

**Blue Key**

Blue Key will meet at 6:30 p.m. Thursday in Rm. 321 of the Student Union. All members are reminded that the attendance policy is being enforced so be there unless you have a valid excuse. The Blotter has been finalized and should be ready to be distributed shortly. Any uncollected money should be brought to the meeting. New member certificates and cards are in also. Tommy Lasorda will speak on campus at 9:30 a.m. Nov. 3 so please be there in proper attire.

**General Studies Degrees**

Students wishing to pursue a degree in general studies must submit in writing a proposed individualized program of study to the General Studies Council. The proposal should state the purpose and objectives of the program of study and include a detailed supporting letter from the faculty member who agrees to be the primary advisor.

For a bachelor general studies degree, the proposal must be presented early enough so the student has at least three full semesters of regularly enrolled course work remaining before graduation. For an associate general studies degree, the proposal must be presented at least two full semesters prior to the anticipated semester for graduation.

Students may call 357-5851 or visit Rm 209 Roy Hall for additional information.

**Business Students**

All business students should sign up for an appointment with their advisors Nov. 1 to Nov. 14 for advising before preregistration. Students who have been advised before preregistration will be allowed to preregister before other students. Check the posted student-advisor list for your advisor's name.

**SAB**

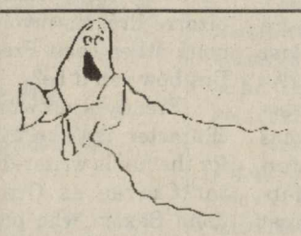
The Student Activities Board has two openings for Representatives-at-large. Interested students must have 15 earned credit hours and a cumulative GPA of over 2.0. Applications are due in by 10 a.m. Oct. 31 in Rm. 214 of the Student Union. Elections will be noon Oct. 31 in Rm. 221 of the Student Union. Also, SAB will sponsor Thursday Night Live this Thursday beginning 8 p.m in the Alley. We are looking for some good talent. Prize money will be given. Categories include: female vocalist, male vocalist and open mike.

**SPADA**

Students Preventing Alcohol and Drug Abuse are recognizing Red Ribbon Week this week Oct. 24-28. We will have a table in Iberville from 10a.m. to 2 p.m. for you to pick up Red Ribbons and fill out information data sheets for becoming members. SPADA will also be sponsoring a Bingo/Pizza party directly preceding the SAB movie of the week. The party will begin at 7 p.m. this Thursday in the Alley.

***Current Sauce***

Staff members must come by Rm. 225 at 5 p.m. tomorrow to pick up story and photo assignments. Also, all staff members are invited to a Halloween film fest at 8 p.m. Sunday in Rm. 225. The features will be *Heathers* and *Hush Hush Sweet Charlotte*. Refreshments will be served.

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# Get into the spirit of Halloween with these holiday films

Brenda Bryant



It's that time of year again. Time for trick or treat, ghosts, goblins and movies that go bump in the night, and like most seasons, when it comes to Halloween movies, there is no shortage.

In order to get into the "spirit" of the season, you might want to checkout the shelves of your local video store and pick a chilling spine tingler to help keep the ghosts of boredom away.

Available are the usual slasher films, including the *Friday the 13th, Nightmare on Elm Street, Child's Play and Night of the Living Dead* series.

## MOVIE TALK

There is even a series based on - you guessed it - Halloween. And if you just can't wait for the Christmas season, there is also the *Silent Night, Deadly Night series.*

However, there are some other films you might also wish to consider.

For those of you looking for a comedic treat this year, I recommend the film *Arsenic and Old Lace.* This film is a classic comedy about two elderly ladies who poison lonely old men and then bury them in the basement. While that sounds more like a slasher film than a comedy, when you throw in Cary Grant as a theater critic, a character who looks like Boris Karloff, and an uncle who thinks he's Theodore Roosevelt, things to tend to get a little crazy. The action, of course, takes place on Halloween night.

Other comedies to consider include: the original *Ghostbusters, The Addams Family films* and the *Witches of Eastwick*, to name a few.

However, if you are more interested in suspense and gore makes not a difference, I recommend *Cape Fear* and *Silence of the Lambs*. The gripping portrayals of psychopaths by Robert Deniro, in *Cape Fear*, and the Academy Award winning Anthong Hopkins, in *Silence of the Lambs*, make these films about the depths that humans can sink to, a pair of the most chilling films I have ever seen.

Another chilling film, though for an entirely different reason, is Steven Speilberg's *Jaws*. The film about a great white shark that is virtually indestructible is one of the scariest films of all time. A great deal of the credit for this goes to Speilberg's directing and to the well known musical score by John Williams. After watching *Jaws*, many people thought twice about stepping into their own bathtubs.

And speaking of bathing, what Halloween list could be complete without at least one movie from the immortal Alfred Hitchcock. The one I'm referring to is, of course, *Psycho*. From the moment Janet Leigh arrives at the Bates Motel, to the end when we finally are introduced to Norman's "mother," Hitchcock demands our attention. In addition, the eerie soundtrack, visual editing and just sheer genius of Hitchcock make this one of the greatest thrillers of all time.

Last but not least, we cannot overlook everyone's favorites, Count Dracula and Frankenstein. In the vampire area, there are several movies to chose from including the classic Dracula films, Coppola's Dracula, and many other films that use vampires as their main characters, or as central plot themes. As far as Frankenstein goes, there are also just as many films and variations of that theme as there are with Dracula and vampires.

Naturally, these are only a few of the films you can check out during this Halloween season, for more films, I suggest you check out the selection at your local video store and take a little horror home for the trick or treat season.

# Shandling on lust, luck and Warren Beatty

Ian Spelling
*College Press Service*

NEW YORK—Garry Shandling smiles that big-lipped, is-he-happy-or-angry? grin of his.

"You want gossip," says the star of HBO's *Larry Sanders Show,* referring to the fact that he must have some tasty dish on Warren Beatty and Annette Bening after having portrayed Beatty's best pal in the new film, *Love Affair*, a remake of the perennial weepie "An Affair to Remember" that features a much-discussed cameo by Katharine Hepburn.

"Warren was sleeping the whole movie with Annette Bening. I came this close to nailing Katharine Hepburn. Let's see. What else? I happen to think Annette wants to nail me," he jokes.

"I think she's really interested in me, and Warren is very jealous. I think a lot of the chemistry you see in the movie is based on what was really going on behind the scenes.

Everybody's worried if Warren will be this faithful, married man, when it's really Annette who's all over me. It's the quiet ones who are the wild ones."

Shandling is the epitome of the standup comedian who made it big. After years on the comedy club circuit, which followed an education at the University of Arizona and a stint as a sitcom writer, he graduated to guest appearances on the *Merv Griffin* and "Tonight" shows. By 1984, he was subbing for Johnny Carson on "Tonight." A short time later, he moved on to *It's Garry Shandling's Show,* an unusually witty cable sitcom.

Then came the wonderfully acerbic *Larry Sanders Show*, in which Shandling chews the scenery as a self-centered, insecure talk show host who seems to loathe himself nearly as much as he does his audience and guests.

So, what's Shandling doing sharing the screen with Beatty in *Love Affair?*

"My agent called and said, 'I've been working on this Beatty project for two months,'" he explains. "It's not an easy-sell job to get me a part. Then, he said, '(*Affair* director) Glen Caron is a fan of yours and is very interested in you playing the part. He's showing Warren a tape of Sanders and if he likes it Warren will want to meet you for lunch.' Then I got a call to go have lunch with Warren at the Warner's commissary, and we really hit it off."

Shandling, who'll chat about anything but his private life, which he reveals quite of bit of in his comedy, enjoyed working with the notoriously press shy Beatty. The actor, says Shandling, was game for and good at on-set improvisation, which made their screen relationship more believable.

What Shandling was surprised to discover was Beatty's kid-like quality. "No one really seems to talk much about (it) because he's so good looking . . .which I didn't notice because I'm a man," reveals Shandling in his best deadpan delivery. "As a man I can't slobber about how good looking he is without feeling awkward. Nevertheless, I'm incredibly turned on by him.

*"Warren Beatty was sleeping the whole movie with Annette Bening. I came close to nailing Katherine Hepburn."*

Garry Shandling
On the hot gossip around the "Love Affair" movie set

"So, there's a child-like quality in his eyes, and there's a big part of him that's a kid. We all have that, and I think I was able to really relate to that. I also see in his eyes a struggle I can't really describe. So, in a way I empathize with some of the things he feels. He's a perfectionist.

"He's driven to fulfill a vision he has at any particular moment. And I really relate to him in some strange way. I never thought, at any point in my life, I'd relate to Warren Beatty."

No one could know that *The Larry Sanders Show* would take off so wildly.

Aided and abetted by a supporting cast that includes Jeffrey Tambor as Larry's bitter sidekick and the hilarious Rip Torn as the show's pit bull producer, and mixed with a healthy dose of no-holds-barred topical humor, brilliantly conceived and executed talk show inner workings intrigue and a who's who of stellar guest stars, Shandling has whipped *Sanders* into a priceless television watching experience.

Next up for Shandling, who's engaged to *Sanders* costar Linda Doucett, is a small role as Steve Martin's boorish landlord in Nora Ephron's upcoming comedy *Lifesavers*. Beyond that he's working on a film script he refuses to discuss.

And beyond that? "I don't necessarily think, in any way, I could predict what my career will be.

"I just do whatever's next, but I don't have a result in mind other than to do the best work I can. If the best work I can do is not in the movies, okay, then I'll just go wherever my career takes me."

# Freddy's back

Ian Spelling
*College Press Service*

NEW YORK—Just in time for Halloween . . . He's back!!

Yep, everybody's favorite fiend, Freddy Krueger, returns to the big screen with *Wes Craven's New Nightmare*. And back again as sweater-sporting, talon-wielding Krueger is Robert Englund, a regular-looking, talkative guy who seems as comfortable with his place in the horror hall of fame as Freddy seems in his trademark candy-striped sweater.

"I was sure, we were all convinced, that the last one *(Freddy's Dead: The Final Nightmare)* was actually the last one," notes the amiable Englund during an interview at a Manhattan hotel. "It did great here and phenomenally overseas. But that wasn't why we did the *New Nightmare.* Wes just had this idea.

"I'd gone to a party at Wes's house, and he apparently remembers me walking into the party. He had a dream after it that my shadow on the wall when I walked in was Freddy Krueger. That was the germ, I think, of his concept of having Freddy come back to kill his creator."

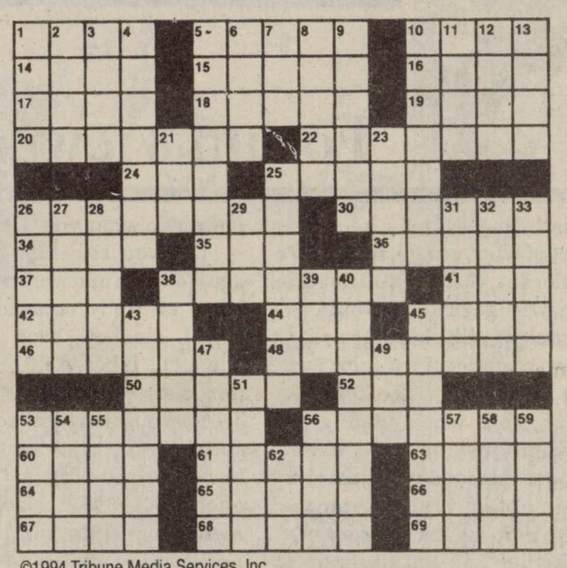
Without question, *New Nightmare* is the most imaginative of the entire *Nightmare on Elm Street* series, even more so than the ambitious *Elm Street III: The Dream Warriors.* Its story finds Heather Langenkamp, who played the heroine in parts I and III, portraying herself, now married to a movie special effects whiz and the mother of a young son (Miko Hughes). Lately, Langenkamp and her son have been experiencing bizarre dreams involving none other than Freddy. But how can it be?

Freddy is just a movie character, isn't he? Along for the fun is writer-director Craven as Craven; John Saxon, who played Langenkamp's father in the original and third films, as himself; and assorted other actors and film executives as themselves.

"It's Freddy goes to Hollywood," continues Englund. "To make it sort of Freddy meets Robert Altman's *The Player,* we've got Bob Shaye (head of New Line Cinema, which produces the *Nightmare* film) playing the greedy corporate mogul; Robert Englund as the arrogant actor who's made a success of playing Freddy; and Heather Langenkamp coming back as the actress who doesn't want to do the movie because she's got a kid now and violence in films is bad for children. It's everybody playing themselves, and Freddy unbound, an evolved Freddy, out to kill all these people.

"So it's scary and funny, though not as full of one-liners as some of the other movies, which I think is a good thing. On top of all that was Wes having this great through line of mother love with Heather protecting her son. That's Greek, primal, basic. You've got everything I already said, plus a lampooning of Hollywood, lots of red herrings, some Hansel and Gretal mythology, and the reality versus illusion elements that you always have in a *Nightmare* film. Plus, there are earthquakes that were scripted before the real earthquake in California. In fact, a couple of scenes were shot during aftershocks, and they're in the movies! It's got everything."

## THE Crossword

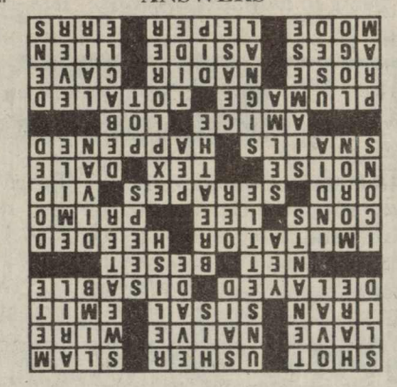


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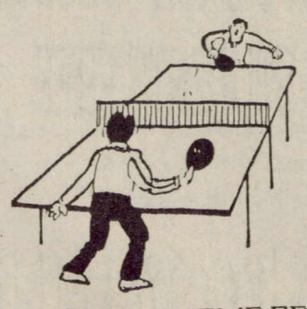
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# Former Haitian ambassador to U.S. speaks to LSMSA students

TIFFANY MILLER
*Contributing Writer*

Dr. Glodys St.-Phard, former Haitian ambassador, spoke Oct. 13 to over 300 students at the Louisiana School for Math, Science and the Arts, in "the very unique city of Steel Magnolias" about his time in the United Nations and the Louisiana and Haitian culture.

St.-Phard described Louisiana as "vibrant, Creole, Catholic and fun-loving."

"Natchitoches serves as the 'buffer zone' of these two rich subcultures which makeup the most colorful and fascinating culture any state has to offer," he said. "My country is just like Louisiana and is best known for its Latin, African, Roman Catholic, fun-loving people."

St.-Phard served as the Haitian ambassador for the United Nations from 1987 to 1990. He is currently the director of Adult Services at Briarwood Hospital in Shreveport. St.-Phard studied law and medicine in institutions in his native Haiti, Maryland, New York and Kansas.

According to Dr. Robert Peters, LSMSA director, St.-Phard discussed "the eminent and timely and current set of events in his country and how our country should relate to these events."

St.-Phard left Haiti in 1965 to pursue his education. "I nearly lost my life 14 hours before I would flee the country [Haiti] in '65 for 21 years in exile," he said.

In 1987, while living in New Orleans, St.-Phard was asked to be the Haitian ambassador for the United Nations. "I accepted the great honor but sacrifice also as serving as the head of the diplomatic Haitian mission at the United Nations."

St.-Phard served on many committees in the United Nations. One duty was being the vice president of the delegation against apartheid. Dr. Nelson Mandela was released from his imprisonment of 27 years during this time.

St.-Phard also spoke to the students about the present conditions of Haiti. He explained that there is no health care and the yearly per capita income is $200.

"Everything is in disrepair," St.-Phard said. He also spoke briefly on the past and current political struggles in Haiti.

St.-Phard retains his diplomatic passport and close relations with the United Nations and the Haitian community in exile. He was recently recognized by the mayor of New Orleans as an international citizen of the city and Louisiana.

"The information that the Haitian ambassador gave us was very informative and he is a very intelligent, well spoken man," Amy Sherrill, an LSMSA senior from Mandeville, said. "I enjoyed it very much."

# Downtown Homecoming



PHOTO BY CHAD SULLIVAN

**Northwestern cheerleaders awe the crowd during Homecoming activities on the Cane River with their performance Thursday evening. Homecoming festivities ended with a game against North Texas Saturday.**

# 'Facade' grants help beautify Front Street

## Division of Historic Preservation Grants will contribute to Natchitoches' tourism value

LEONARDO CECCHINI
*Current Sauce*

The Main Street program of Natchitoches will award $9,000 in facade grants to businesses around the Historic District to remodel the fronts of their buildings.

The Main Street program has received the grant money from the Division of Historic Preservation in Baton Rouge. The grants are only given to cities around the state which have a historic district.

"There are only 14 cities across Louisiana that receive grants from the Division of Historic Preservation, and Natchitoches is one of them," Myrna Dunn, manager of the Main Street program, said.

The program was formed in Natchitoches two years ago. In its first year, they received an $8,000 grant, which was enough to help eight businesses around the district remodel the facades of their buildings.

"Last year they were able to paint and repair balconies, windows and doors, put up canvas awnings, and repaint and replace outdoor signs," Dunn said. "This year we have more money and hopefully can continue to do more things."

According to Dunn, the grants will only be available to owners of income producing companies.

She clarified this term as one who owns or rents a property on the district and uses it as a money-producing business. The maximum amount awarded to any business will be $1,500.

All grants require a 50/50 match and are reimbursable, so that any business awarded with a grant will have to produce that same amount of money from their own pocket into their planned project.

All applications for facade grants must go through the same procedures for approval by the Historic District Commission. Once approved by the commission, a budget will be set and renovations can begin.

## Provisions of a Facade Grant

1. Available to income-producing companies
2. Maximum Loan: $1,500
3. Grants Require 50/50 matching funds
5. Applications approved through Historic District Commission

# Congress approves national park status for Natchitoches area

## Park will provide economic lift

JEFFREY T. CRYER
*Current Sauce*

Congress has taken the final steps for establishment of the Cane River Creole National Historical Park and the Cane River National Heritage Area.

The U.S. Senate approved an amendment to Section 1348, the Quinebag and Shetucket Rivers Valley National Heritage Corridor Act, on Oct. 7. The House of Representatives then approved it on Oct. 8, thus sending the bill to the White House. The bill is expected to be signed into law by President Bill Clinton within two weeks.

According to the amendment, the purpose of the Cane River National Heritage Area is to complement the historical park and to provide for a culturally sensitive approach to the preservation of the heritage of the Cane River region.

The heritage area was enacted because of a need to "recognize the value and importance of the Cane River region" and to "assist in the preservation and enhancement of the cultural landscape and traditions of the Cane River region."

Actions leading toward the establishment of the national park and heritage area have been in the legislative process for over one and a half years, according to Doug Faris, associate regional director of planning and professional services for the National Park Service, to do research on Cane River to find out the needs for preservation and the possibilities of national park involvement.

The land included in the heritage area will be approximately one mile on both sides of the Cane River. Also, the properties within the Natchitoches Historic Landmark District, the Los Adaes State Commemorative Area, the Fort Jesup State Commemorative Area, the Fort St. Jean Baptiste State Commemorative Area and the Kate Chopin House. A Cane River National Heritage Area Commission will be appointed within six months to provide guidance and management for the heritage area.

Purposes for the historical park, as listed in Congressional record, are to "recognize the importance of the Cane River Creole National Historical Park to serve as the focus of interpretive and educational programs on the history of the Cane River area." The park has also planned to assist the preservation of certain historic sites along the river.

Faris explained that activation plans for the Cane River Creole National Historic Park are projected to begin in about six months. Full operational capacity is expected to be reached within five years with a staff of 15 to 20 people, Faris said.

According to Congressional records, the historical park will consist of lands and structures associated with the Oakland Plantation and property owned by the Museum Contents Inc., which includes the Magnolia Plantation. Other sites that could be added to the historical park may include the Melrose Plantation, the Badin-Roque site, the Cherokee Plantation, the Beau Fort Plantation and sites within the Natchitoches National Historic Landmark District.

These sites may be added if Bruce Babbitt, Secretary of the Interior, deems them applicable for national historical significance. Notification of the proposed addition will have to go through the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the U.S. Senate and the appropriate committees of the House of Representatives.

An additional tract of land, of no more than 10 acres, will also be added and may be designated for a visitor center complex to serve the needs of both the historical park and the heritage area.

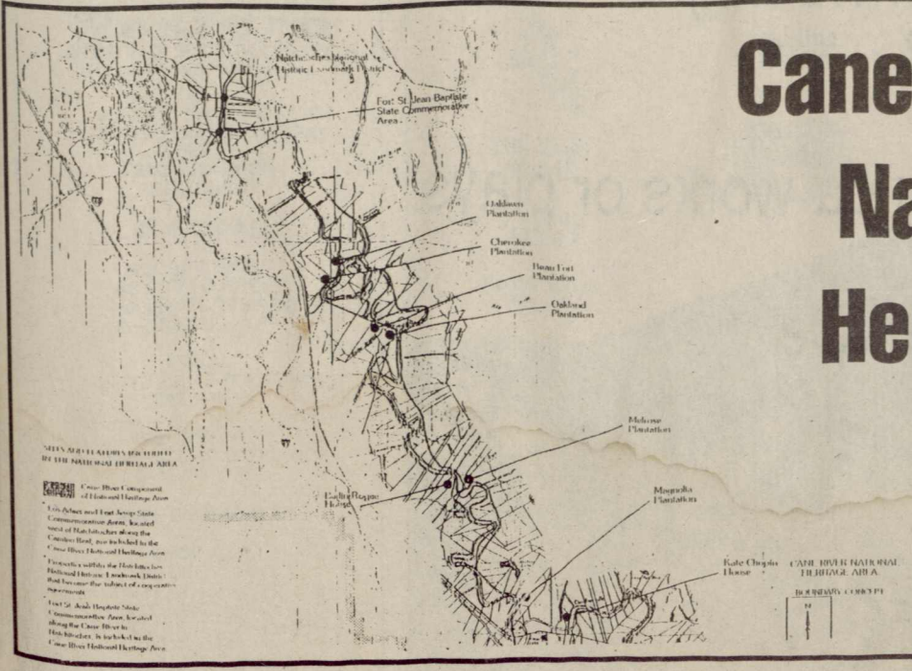
*"A goal is to promote tourism and those kind of things increase a person's pride in their home and within the area"*

FRAN GALE
TRAINING COORDINATOR
PRESERVATION TECHNOLOGY AND TRAINING

"A goal is to promote tourism and those kind of things increase a person's pride in their home and within the area," Fran Gale, training coordinator for the National Center for Preservation Technology and Training, said. "I also feel it will help the economy." Faris also feels the historical park and heritage area will greatly affect Natchitoches' tourism and economy.

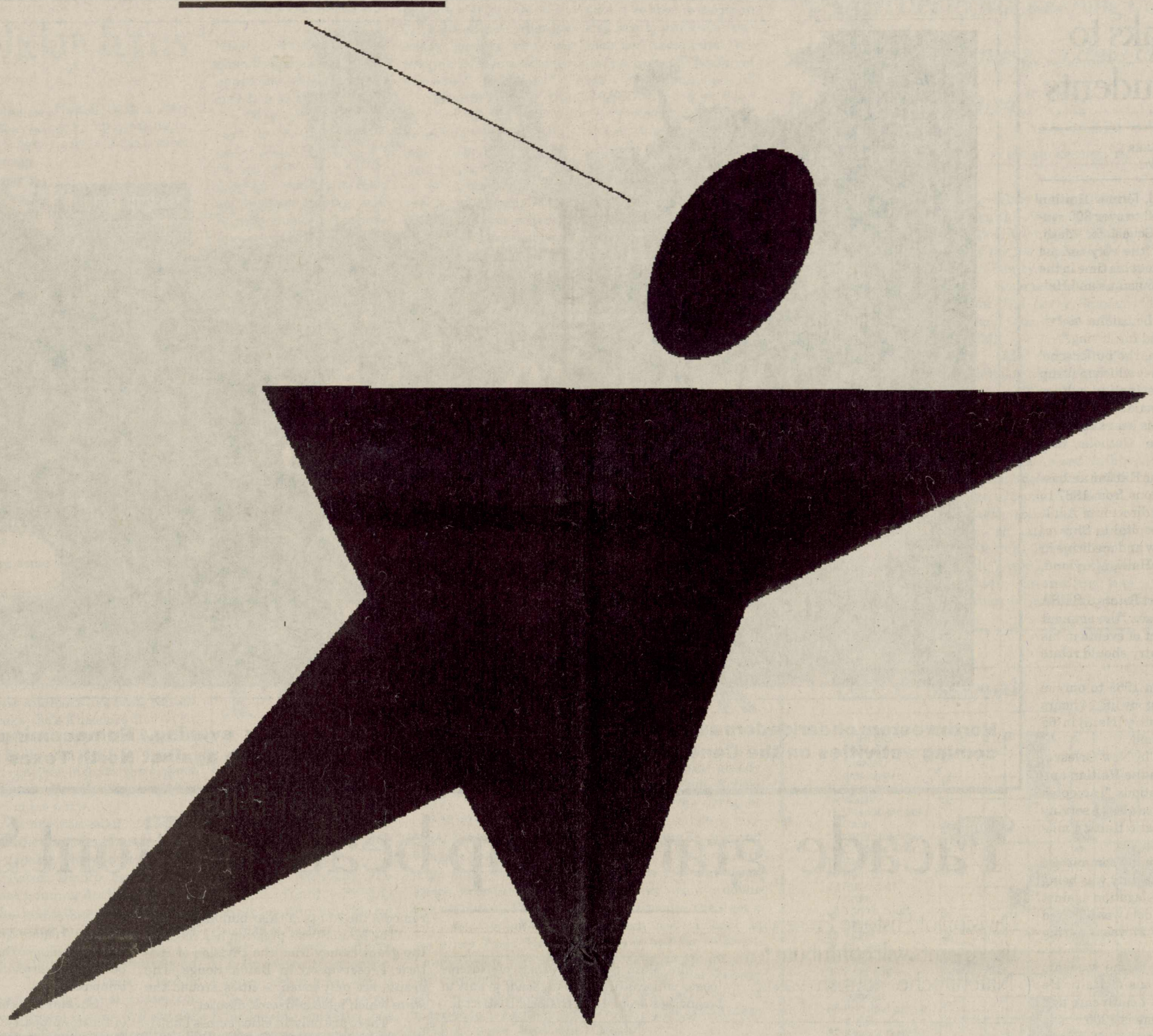
"It will have a major positive impact on Natchitoches and the Cane River area," Faris said. "It will help tourism grow and in an organized way. It will, of course, help the economy. Especially with the local businesses gaining an advantage of bringing in more tourist.

As long as it [the arrival of the historical park and heritage area] is done without a negative impact, it will do fine," Faris said.




## Cane River National Heritage Area

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# Northwestern and Scholars' College to hold campus blood drive

Northwestern and the Scholars' College will host a campus blood drive from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Nov. 1 through Nov. 3 in the Student Union Ballroom.

Every donor will receive a free tee-shirt and refreshments. This blood drive is facilitated by the Louisiana Blood Center and the Blood Center of Southeast Texas. Their goal is to receive 65 units of blood per day for a total of 195 units.

According to the Louisiana Blood Center, 160 units per day are needed to supply the hospitals in this area. Types O+ and O- are in greater demand. Despite the demand for blood only 3 percent of the population are blood donors, according to the Louisiana Blood Center.

The average person has 10 to 12 pints of blood in his or her body and one pint is given in blood donation. The shelf life of blood is 35 days and one unit can be separated into four components: plasma (for burns, trauma and surgery), red cells (for anemia and bleeders), cryoprecipitate (for hemophiliacs) and platelets (for cancer therapy).

To give blood one must not have donated blood in the last eight weeks. One must also eat a good breakfast and/or lunch before donating, weigh at least 110 pounds, be between 17- and 75-years-old, have no prior history of Hepatitis, know the names and reasons for taking all medications at the current time and feel well and healthy on the day of donation.

Volunteers may still donate blood if taking Aspirin, Tylenol, birth control pills, diet pills, Thyroid medications and any hormone medicine. However, one may not donate if presently taking medications for an inflammation or infection. A donor must be off antibiotics for at least 48 hours and infection free a the time of donation.

"Today, the question that is on the minds of the potential recipient [of donated blood], is 'How safe is the blood I might receive?' The answer is relatively simple to state but much more difficult to explain," Gary J. Levy, M.D., medical director at Louisiana Blood Center, said. "The blood supply today is safer than it has ever been but it is still not without some risk.

"Along with testing for hepatitis B and syphilis, all donated blood is now tested for the AIDS virus (two types), hepatitis C (formerly NANB hepatitis) and HTLV (a leukemia virus) as well as for two markers that might represent infectivity with hepatitis C, namely hepatitis B core antibody and ALT level. Also, all donors are asked rather personal questions about their lifestyle that helps us determine whether they are at risk for acquiring AIDS or hepatitis. If their answers suggest being at risk, they are deterred from donating blood."

The Louisiana Blood Center operates at four locations in Louisiana: Shreveport, Monroe, Alexandria and Lake Charles. Also the Blood Center of Southeast Texas is a part of the Louisiana Blood Center. This system draws over 115,000 units of blood from volunteer donors annually, and provides over 145,000 units of blood and blood components for patient use.

The blood centers are licensed by the U. S. Department of Health and Human Services; registered and inspected by the Food and Drug Administration; Medicare approved; inspected and accredited by the American Association of Blood Banks; and members in good standing of the South Central Association of Blood Banks, Louisiana Hospital Association and the Texas Hospital Association.

The blood centers are not-for-profit community service organizations that are financially self-supporting. No funding is received from the United Way or any federal, state or local agency. Funding is generated through billing hospitals for services rendered. The service fees reflect the cost of recruiting, collecting, testing, storing and the transporting of blood. There is no charge for the blood itself since it is donated by volunteers.

Through active participation in the Blood Center's Family or Group Assurance Plan, the patient may receive a reduction in the portion of the processing fee not covered by medical insurance.

# University recognizes Red Ribbon Campaign Week

Julie Cameron
and Jane Baldwin
*Current Sauce*

The University organization, Students Preventing Alcohol and Drug Abuse (SPADA), will offer many informational activities this week in honor of national Red Ribbon Campaign Week.

According to Elizabeth Hughs, a member of the Natchitoches Drug Free Coalition and a counselor at Northwestern, Red Ribbon Week began in a honor of drug enforcement agent who was killed in the line of duty during the early 80s in South Africa. Since then the simple red ribbon has grown to symbolize much more — a nation's fight against drugs.

Beginning yesterday, SPADA set up information booths in the Student Union about the effects of substance abuse. On Thursday, SPADA will host a pizza/bingo party in The Alley.

Members are also conducting a membership drive and will be distributing red ribbons to students and faculty.

Natchitoches is also taking an active part in the fight against drugs and alcohol. During yesterday's City Council meeting, council member Lee Posey formed a committee to study other cities' methods of fighting drugs and alcohol.

"We thought it was appropriate since it was Red Ribbon Week and we had been approached by some people in the community, convenience store owners and beer distributors about forming a committee to do what other areas in the state are doing and that's to license and permit your selling of liquor by the clerks at each store," Posey said.

"In other words they would have to go to school and acquire a license to be able to do it," he said. "They would have to learn how to sell and what to look for when underage kids are coming to purchase liquor. It's a way the public is looking for an answer to curtail some of this abuse"

Posey said that the committee will begin by studying and examining the methods of controlling drugs and alcohol in other areas such as Alexandria.

# Mambo Madness



**Kyle Robbins, a sophomore music education member from Farmerville, performs with the Spirit of Northwestern Marching Band to the cuban music from the hit movie *The Mambo Kings* during the homecoming game against North Texas Saturday**

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# GHOSTS: Students report supernatural sightings on Northwestern campus

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said.

Jane felt uncomfortable at the gym and wanted to leave. She sent someone in after the group. She then felt a presence surround her. She felt cold and had difficulty breathing.

Both Jane and Sally are convinced that whatever is at the Old Women's Gym is not good.

Unexplainable bruises plague both girls. Jane gets large, brown painless bruises. She doesn't know where they are coming from. Sally doesn't bruise easily, but it takes awhile normally for her bruises to heal. She is getting painless bruises that heal quickly.

Strange things have happened in their rooms. Sally said she got a weird feeling from the room when she first came to Northwestern for Freshman Connection and looked at her room. But Sally and her roommate, "Mary," both feel whatever presence is in the room is a comforting presence.

"It's not going to hurt us or anyone in anyway," Sally said. "It just lives here. Sometimes, I get the feeling that it is mad, but I don't worry about it because it is not going to hurt me."

They both agree that if they felt in danger they would not continue to live in the room.

"It is a comforting feeling," Sally said. "I feel like it is trying to tell us something."

And the presence did try to speak to Mary.

"I was in the state of in-between sleep and not-in-between sleep and I heard this mumbling sound in my ear that was pressed to the pillow," Mary said. "I think it said my name. It was definitely a deep voice and I don't know what it was. I called out my roommate's name, because it [the presence] brought me back from my sleep. She didn't answer me."

She continued to call her roommates' name louder and louder. Her roommate was in the bathroom, but she heard something speak to Mary.

"She heard it because she was far away in the bathroom, and I heard it because I was faraway in sleep," Mary said. "It scared me, but it was not threatening in any way."

The roommates have also heard the bathroom cabinet doors slam shut when no one is in the bathroom.

"I went in there, and no one was there," Sally said. "We thought it might be our next door neighbors, but there is no way that loud of a noise could travel through four walls."

Even with their bathroom door and room door closed they could clearly hear the shutting noise.

Their beds shake (when the trains are not passing) and they have felt cold air drafts when the air conditioning is not on. They have also seen shadows in their room, both in the daytime and nighttime. They describe the shadows as translucent, resembling a heat wave.

"Sometimes, they will float past your head," Sally said. "By the time you turn your head, you realize that they are gone. There is no way both of us could be making this crap up."

They believe that when they are together, the spirit is not as powerful as when they are alone.

Jane has also felt presences in her room. She and her roommate were laughing and someone knocked on the wall next door. Jane knocked back, but didn't get a response. A couple of minutes later, she saw one of the girls that lived in the room. She told Jane that no one had been in the room.

The worst thing that has happened to Jane is being picked up off her bed.

"I was laying on my bed, halfway asleep, and all of a sudden it felt like I was being lifted off or floating off my bed," Jane said. "I couldn't open my eyes. It was like something was making me keep them closed. I slid my hands underneath me and I was about a foot off my bed. I didn't feel scared until it felt like something had my shoulders and legs. I couldn't feel any pressure, but my legs started being directed off of the bed to the extent of being parallel and drifting off.

"I remember thinking really loud, 'No, stop' and all of a sudden I was back on my bed and I could open my eyes."

# NSU vs. NORTH TEXAS: Game marks first conference loss

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Williber was intercepted in the endzone by the Eagles' Demitri Markham.

Following a missed field goal on North Texas' next possession, Laird led the Demons on a 12-play, 80-yard drive which ended with a 4-yard touchdown toss to tight end Damian Johnson. Laird, who finished the day 16 of 29 for 193 yards and three big interceptions, then hit Mike Allen in the corner of the end zone for a two-point conversion. After two-point conversion, Northwestern pulled to within three, 21-18, with 11:23 to go in the game.

The Eagles answered with a 32-yard touchdown strike from Maher's to a wide open Luis Silva, which put North Texas up 28-18 with 8:31 remaining. The Demons went three plays and out, and North Texas took over at its own 31 with just under seven minutes remaining.

Northwestern's Kevin Calmes gave the Demons hope when he recovered a fumble at the Demon 28, and Laird nailed five straight passes for 67 yards in the ensuing drive which culminated with Matthews carrying over from the two with three minutes left. Down 28-25, the Demon defense held and Northwestern took over with a chance to win the ballgame with 1:58 on the clock and all three timeouts remaining.

But, on second down from the Northwestern 35, UNT defensive tackle Stan Thomas got in the way of Laird's pass for Alexander and picked it off, squashing the Demons' comeback hopes.

"He's a good quarterback who did the necessary things for his team to win," Laird said of his showdown with Maher. "I made too many mistakes for mine to win. That's the bottom line."

With the victory, North Texas (5-1, 3-0) now stands alone atop the Southland Conference standings. The Demons fall to 4-3 and 2-1 in the conference.

"This hurts our conference standing, but we still have a shot at the playoffs if we win the rest of our games," Goodwin said. "We do not control our own destiny now, but if a lot of 'what-ifs' take place we can still tie for the conference championship. It's hard when the team with the better talent does not win the game, and I feel that was the case today."

The Demons will try to bounce back against Southwest Texas State this Saturday in San Marcos, Texas.

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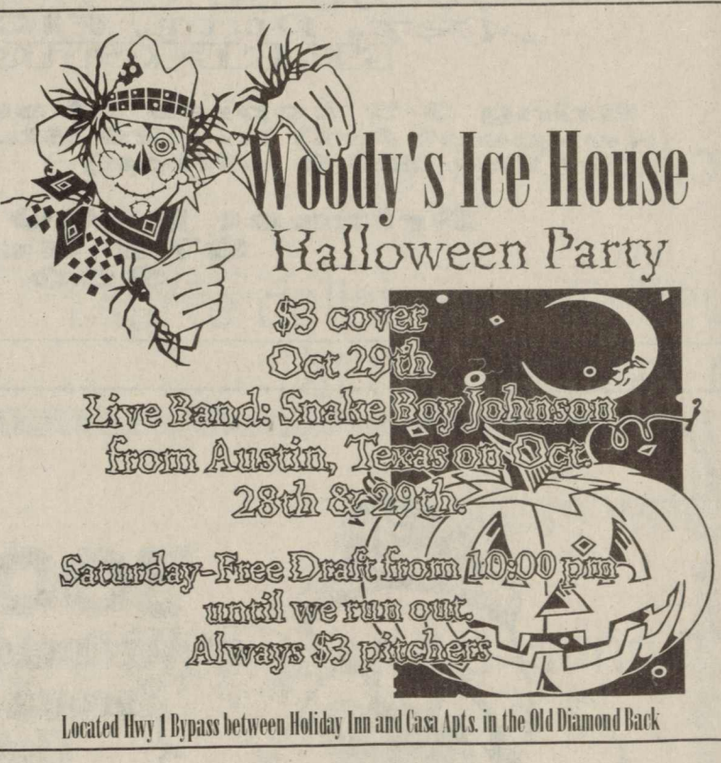


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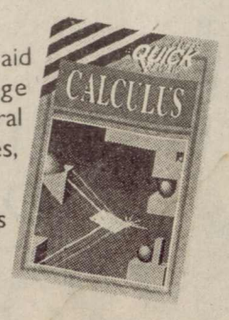
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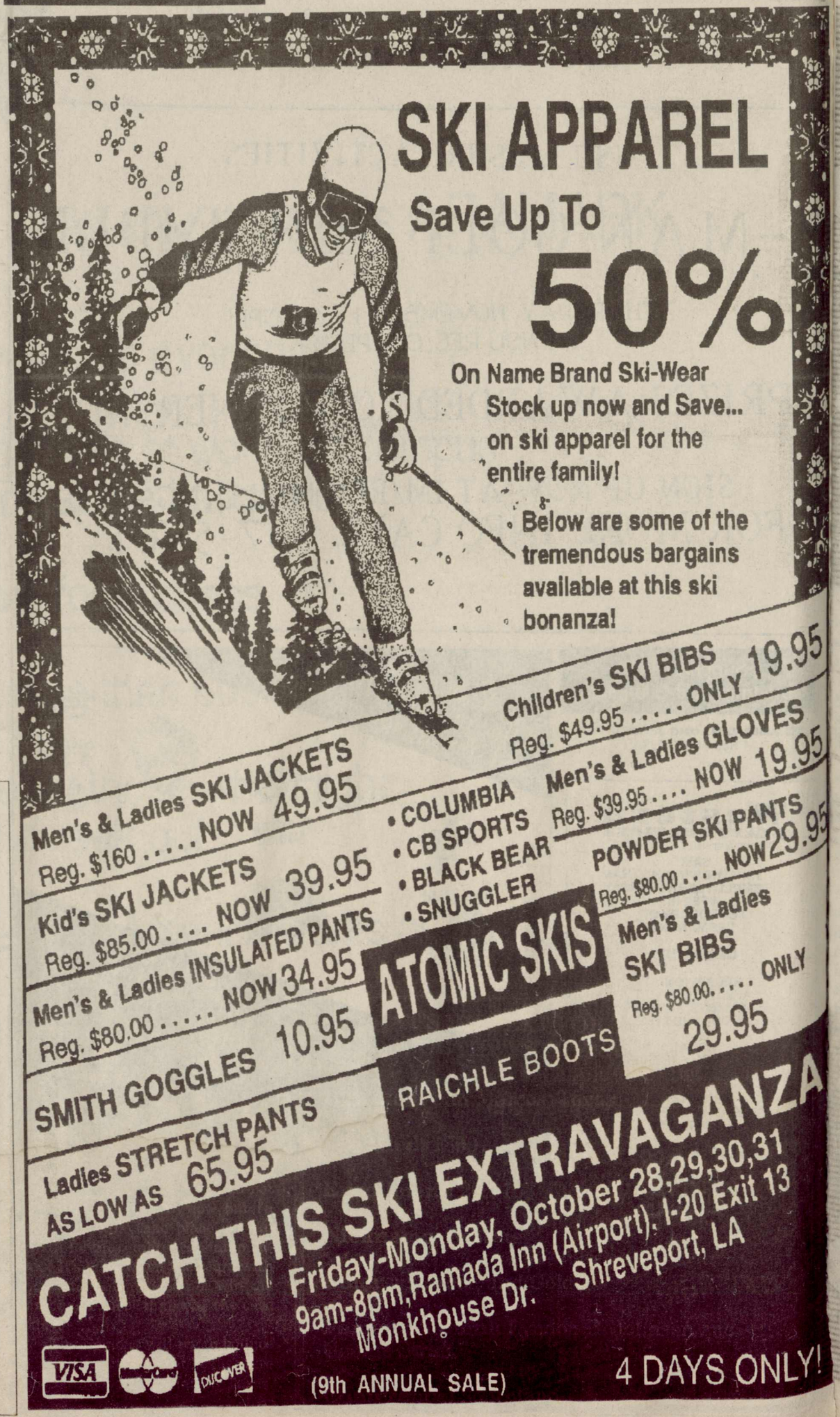
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# PLAYER OF THE WEEK

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Clarence Matthews produced 196 yards total offense Saturday with one touchdown to earn the *Current Sauce's* Player of the Week honors for the second time this season.

Matthews, who rushed for 85 yards on 18 carries and caught two passes for 54 yards, also broke free on a kickoff return for 57 yards which got the Demon offense going in the second quarter of a 14-0 North Texas advantage.

Matthews' numbers would have been greater considering he had an 80-yard touchdown run negated by a holding penalty which severely hampered the Demons' comeback effort in the second half.

"Miserable," Matthews said in describing his reaction in the end zone when he knew the play was coming back. "Those kinds of things killed us all day and handed the game to North Texas. They had a good team, but I still think we are better. The mistakes we made just killed us."

Matthews, a 5-8, 175-pound sophomore from St. Augustine High in New Orleans, was also named player of the week for his performance against Nicholls State on Sept. 17.



**Player File**

**Name:** Clarence Matthews
**Age:** 20
**Hometown:** New Orleans
**Major:** Criminal Justice
**Performance vs. North Texas:** 196 total yards. 18 carries for 89 yards one touchdown.
**1993:** Rushed for 198 yards on 32 carries and two touchdowns. Averaged 141 all-purpose yardage.
**Honors:** Northwestern Athletic Honor Roll "Silver" (3.0-3.499 GPA) sring 1994.

# IM Half-Niter 'a great success'

DAVID WEAVER
*Current Sauce*

Team racquetball and the annual Half-Niter highlighted last week's activities in the Department of Leisure Activities and Recreational Sports.

The Half-Niter was "a great success" according to Scott Bruscato, assistant intramural director.

"We had over 300 people and 36 teams here for the Half-Niter," Bruscato said. "It was really a fun event for everyone."

Events in the Half-Niter included Life Saver, Putt-Putt, Marshmallow on a String, Scooterboard Relay, Can-Can and Peanut Butter and Crackers.

The overall winner on the night was the Docks, who finished with 17 1/2 points. Second place went to Trouble with 16 1/2 and Appropriate finished third with 14 1/2 points.

First place in team racquetball went to the Baptist Student Union Tuesday. Theta Chi placed second with Kappa Sigma earning third. Three separate tournaments comprised the competition, with the BSU's Joseph Brocato winning the Singles I, the BSU's Richard Holt winning Singles II and Theta Chi's Shane Stephens and Frank Griffith winning the doubles tournament.

Bruscato stressed the upcoming volleyball and Ghost Chase events, with the entry deadline for intramural volleyball tomorrow and a volleyball jamboree on Thursday.

"We need more teams to sign up," Bruscato said. "We only have a few entries so far."

The Fifth Annual Ghost Chase is set for Monday, with free entry to Northwestern students. Students can participate in three-member teams or individually. Faculty and community members can also participate with a $30 entry fee per team.

"The Ghost Chase is a 'row-ride-run' event," Bruscato said. "This is our only triathlon event of the year, and we have some great prizes."

Prizes include $75 for the first place team, $50 for the second place team and $25 for the third place team. The team that predicts its finishing time the closest will receive three Timex watches. All participants will receive a Ghost Chase tee-shirt.

The first member of each team will row a canoe on a half mile course, and the second member will ride a bicycle five miles. The last leg of the race will involve the third member picking up the baton for a final two mile run.

For additional information about these and other events, contact the Leisure Activities office at 357-5269.

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arm the day of the Game Five. Taking the hill would be lefty Kent Mercker.

Atlanta jumped on Nagy with two in the first, as Kelly led off with a single and McGriff homered to center. The Tribe responded with three in the first off Mercker and two more in the fourth, waving goodbye to the substitute starter. Before the dust had settled in the last game in Cleveland for the season, the Indians had once again staved off elimination with a convincing 12-2 win as the scene shifted back to Atlanta.

**Game Six:** Maddux was sent to the mound to deliver the first championship to the city of Atlanta. The Indians countered with crafty veteran Dennis Martinez as the electricity of excitement built in the sell-out crowd.

Martinez and Maddux put on a show never before seen in the history of baseball. After rolling through the order of each team twice, both pitchers were hurling perfect games into the seventh.

Maddux pitched a perfect top half of the inning, mowing down the Indians with three straight strikeouts. McGriff led off for the Braves with a deep drive to left, where Belle simply dropped the ball. The "Crime Dog" lumbered into third base, where Justice drove him in on the next pitch with a deep fly to right. Leading 1-0, Maddux took the mound in the ninth. With two outs, Lofton looped a single into left and Omar Vizquel coaxed a walk from the suddenly rattled Maddux. Belle stepped up.

On a 1-2 pitch, and with the crowd on its feet, Belle ripped into the pitch and drove a gapper into left-center. The relay barely missed Vizquel at the plate —***Indians 2, Braves 1***! Game Seven would follow.

**Game Seven:** Belle and McGriff each hit their third homers of the Series as the deciding game went into the ninth tied at 2-2. Lofton tripled in the ninth and scored on a wild pitch from the Braves' Mark Wohlers, and the Tribe went into the bottom of the ninth needing only three outs to complete perhaps the greatest comeback in sports history.

Atlanta loaded the bases with two out and stepping to the plate was rookie Ryan Klesko, who had only one hit in the Series and was booed unmercifully by the Atlanta crowd earlier in the game.

On a 3-2 pitch, Klesko launched a blast that commentator Al Micheals described as "touching the stars." The ball hit the facade of the stadium roof and fell to the field as the Braves mobbed each other on the mound. In the winning locker room, Klesko said of his mammoth shot: "I always did like that movie *The Natural*. It's a great baseball story with a storybook ending, and that's how I like 'em. . ."

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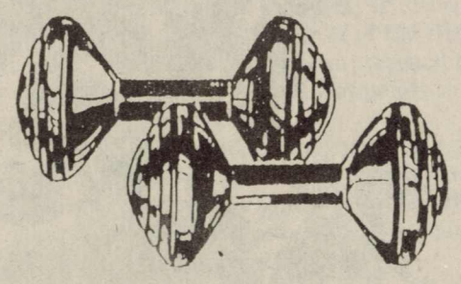
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# Demons lose heartbreaker to University of North Texas

David Weaver
*Current Sauce*

Northwestern faced three different obstacles in Saturday's homecoming showdown with fellow Southland Conference leader North Texas.

One was UNT quarterback and All-America candidate Mitch Maher, who churned out 305 yards total offense and scored three touchdowns.

Another opponent was the officiating crew, which negated an apparent Demon touchdown with an "inadvertent whistle" call in the third quarter.

But, according to Head Coach Sam Goodwin, the biggest enemy the Demons faced in the 28-25 loss was themselves.

"We killed ourselves with way too many turnovers and penalties," Goodwin said. "This loss will be hard to get over. The simple fact is that we made too many mistakes and they played a sound football game. But I don't think the best team won, necessarily."

The Demons' miscues turned out to be the difference in the game from beginning to end. From a blocked punt early in the first quarter that set up North Texas' first touchdown to an interception thrown to an Eagles' defensive lineman on the Demons' final possession, the contest was filled with mistakes by both the offense and defense.

"We just gave the game away," Clarence Matthews, tailback, said. "With all the penalties and turnovers... we just simply gave it away."

Several questionable calls also went against the Demons, with the "official" highlight of the day being an "inadvertent whistle" ruling which brought back an apparent touchdown run by Danny Alexander.

"With the inadvertent whistle, the play stopped and we had the option of getting the ball where it was when the whistle blew or replaying the down," Goodwin said. "The official just blew the whistle before Danny was actually down."

The Eagles' Maher turned out to be the biggest challenge North Texas could present. Maher tied a Turpin Stadium record for most points allowed by a visiting player (18), and his three touchdowns also tied a Demon record for most scores allowed by an opposing player.

"They have a great quarterback who got the job done," Goodwin said. "His running the ball really added another dimension to their offense that we hadn't seen before. He put a lot of pressure on our defense."

Maher went to work early in the first quarter following a blocked punt by UNT's Lorenza Washington which enable the Eagles to set up at the Demon 29. Seven plays later, Maher scored on a quarterback option to give North Texas an quick 7-0 lead.

The Demon offense appeared sluggish in the first half after pasting Sam Houston 54-0 the week before. Following Maher's second touchdown burst, a 5-yard run with 10:29 left in the second quarter, Northwestern was down 14-0 and needed a big lift.

Matthews provided the spark on the ensuing he swept left and scampered 57 yards and set up the offense at the Eagle 42. Nine plays later, quarterback Brad Laird dove over from the one yard line, and the Demons were on the scoreboard, trailing 14-7.

Maher's job, however, was not completed yet. With 2:46 remaining, he lofted a 40-yard pass to UNT's David Brown, which moved North Texas to the Northwestern four. Three plays later, Maher scored from 2 yards out, and the Demons went in at halftime trailing 21-7.

With 5:06 remaining in the third quarter, Jason Fernandez capped a 12-play, 67-yard drive with a 40-yard field goal that cut the North Texas lead to 21-10.

The Eagles gave the Demons a golden opportunity when Jason Mills recovered a fumble at the UNT 15, however, Laird's pass to William

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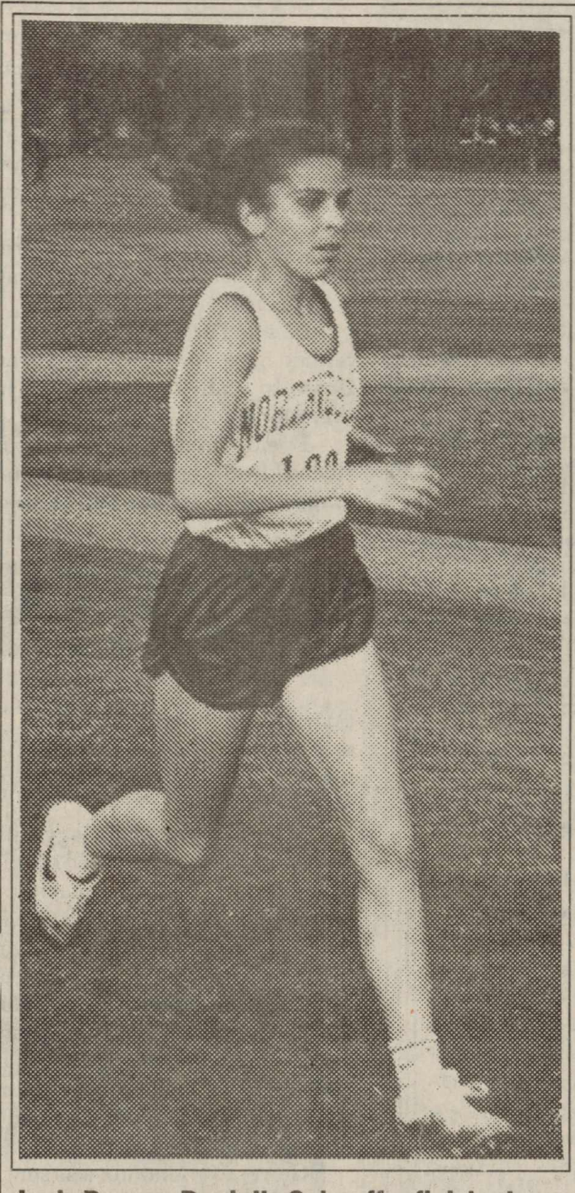


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**Lady Demon Danielle Schaeffer finished second in the 5,000 meter race Friday at the NLU Invitational.**

# Women's Cross Country team takes first place

Troy Dean Conkle
*Current Sauce*

The Northwestern women's cross country team took first place Friday at the NLU Invitational in Monroe, and the men's team turned in their best performance of the year, finishing third.

In the women's division, the Lady Demons dominated the competition. They were led by sophomore Danielle Schaeffer who placed second in the 5,000 meter race, with a time of 19:11. Schaeffer finished just behind winner Holly Forester of Northeast Louisiana, who posted 18:39.

The Lady Demons finished with 35 points, followed by Northeast Louisiana (53), Stephen F. Austin (55), Grambling (74), Louisiana College (149) and Centenary (157).

Lady Demon Robin Meyers finished third with a time of 19:43. Other Demons to finish were Carla Davison (sixth, 20:24), Laura Oubre (ninth, 20:40) and Heather Mathis (15th, 22:12).

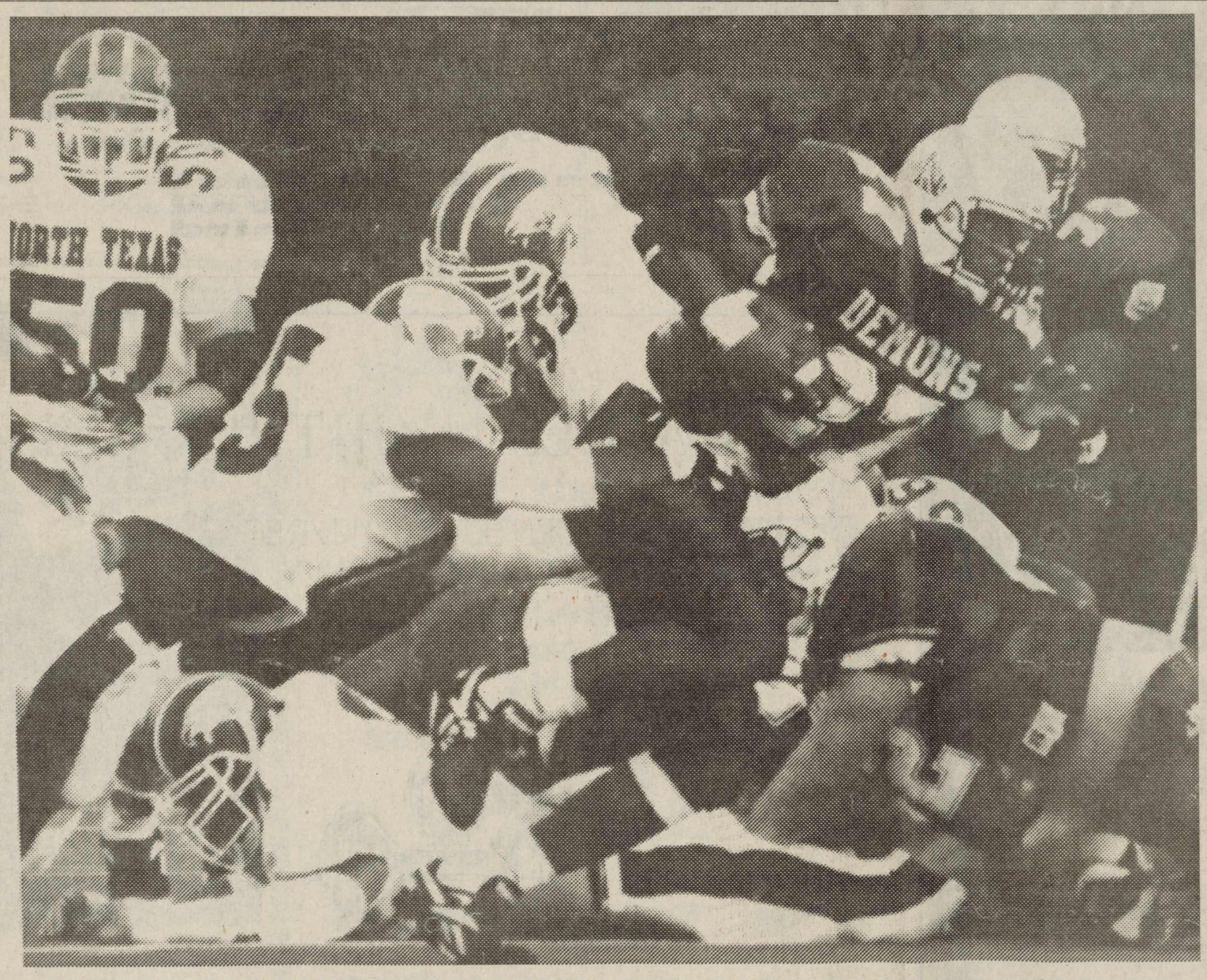
The men's division was dominated by No. 6-ranked Texas-Arlington, who put up a point total of 27. Texas-Arlington's Oskar Knutson won the 8,000-meter course with a time of 25:21.

The Mavericks were followed by Northeast Louisiana (60), Northwestern (77), Stephen F. Austin (83), Grambling (137), Centenary (199) and Louisiana College (215).

The Demons were led by Kerry Gray (10th, 27:03). Other Demon finishers were Jason Wingard (12th, 27:17), Tim Rosas (15th, 27:44), Robert Bonner (16th, 27:48) and Jeremy Huffman (25th, 28:41).

The Demons' next meet, the Southland Conference Championships, is Monday in Lake Charles.

# Hard to Tackle



**Demon running back Danny Alexander breaks loose from a North Texas defender in Saturday's game. The Demons lost 28-25**

# World Series: What could have been

In a perfect world we would be enjoying (or laboring through) the Fall Classic this week. For all the sports novices who I educate each week, that means the World Series.

But, thanks to the crippling strike that has canceled the season and Series for the first time since the turn of the century, most baseball buffs have had to come up with make-believe versions of how this season would have turned out.

Being the dreamer that I am, I have also come up with my own little prediction of how the World Series would be transpiring if it actually was being played right now. Who knows? Maybe this form of settling the world champion is a little more fun, after all...

The Atlanta Braves marched into their third World Series in four years by shutting out every opponent in the playoffs, and the Cleveland Indians continued a Cinderella season by winning the American League pennant for the first time in half a century.

**Game One:** The Series kicked off in Atlanta on a cool evening, and the Braves wasted little time in jumping on the visiting Indians, who showed understandable nerves in the opener. Fred McGriff and David Justice blasted back-to-back home runs in the first inning, and Greg Maddux went the complete game with another shutout. It was Maddux's seventh straight blanking dating back to the regular season, and the Braves, with their 5-0 win, led the Series 1-0.

**Game Two:** Cleveland managed to get over its Game One jitters as Kenny Lofton hit pitcher Tom Glavine's first pitch of the game off the right-center field wall and ended up with a triple. Belle drove him in two outs later with a single.

The score remained 1-0 until the seventh inning when Braves pinch hitter Bill Pecota singled home Mark Lemke, who had doubled with two outs in the inning. Cleveland starter Dennis Martinez was removed and the bullpens were left to battle it out.

The game dragged on until 12:30 a.m. when, in the bottom of the fifteenth inning, little Rafael Belliard walked to the plate. Belliard, who had been used as a replacement for an injured Terry Pendleton at third base, batted with two outs in the inning for the Braves, who had used all of their relief pitchers and had Game Four scheduled starter John Smoltz throwing in the bullpen.

Belliard ended the game, however, by lining a home run over the left field wall for his first round-tripper since 1986. In a post-game interview, the tiny Belliard said, "I saw it, and just had to rip it."

**Game Three:** Down two games to none, the downtrodden Tribe hosted Game Three in Cleveland in a must-win situation. Atlanta starter Steve Avery didn't allow a baserunner until the fifth inning, and by then the Braves had dismissed Indians starter Andy Benes, who had been acquired right before the trading deadline from San Diego. Avery took a 3-0 lead into the bottom of the eighth inning.

**David Weaver**

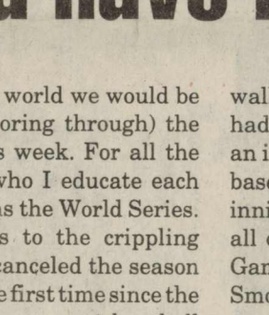


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In the eighth, Lofton picked up his fifth hit of the Series with a double down the right field line. Carlos Baerga followed with an RBI single, putting the Indians on the scoreboard. With two outs, Eddie Murray singled. Paul Sorrento then drove a hanging curve deep into center field. The ball carried, carried, carried...

Atlanta center fielder Roberto Kelly climbed the wall and retrieved the potential go-ahead three-run blast by reaching over and behind the fence. The capacity crowd let out a collective moan as Sorrento stood at second base and stared at the wall.

Braves 3, Indians 1. One more game and Atlanta waltzes home as the world champions.

**Game Four:** Determined to go down fighting, the Indians came out and scalped the Braves with five runs in the first two innings of the game. Atlanta starter John Smoltz was removed in the second, following Belle's second home run of the season. Cleveland romped to the win, 8-1.

**Game Five:** The Braves decided to rest Maddux for a possible Game Six because of soreness in his right

**SPORTS TALK**

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# NORTHWESTERN SPORTS IN BRIEF

**VOLLEYBALL TEAM CONTINUES TO STRUGGLE**

The Lady Demon volleyball team continued to struggle after its fast start, dropping two more Southland Conference games last week.

Northwestern hosted three matches at Prather Coliseum, winning its non-league contest with Southern. This was the second time the Lady Demons defeated the Jaguars this season.

McNeese State defeated the Lady Demons 12-15, 15-4, 15-7, 15-1 Saturday.

Kim Jesiolowski led Northwestern with 12 kills and 17 digs, and Tiffany Cronin had 10 kills and eight digs. The 15-12 win in the first game of the match was the first game the Lady Demons have won in Southland Conference play this year.

Friday, Nicholls State downed Northwestern 15-10, 15-7, 15-10. Jesiolowski, Cronin and Karen Hill had nine kills each in the match.

The Lady Demons, 0-7 in SLC play and 8-12 overall, visit Northeast Louisiana tonight and then entertain Southwest Texas Thursday and Texas-San Antonio Saturday.

**FUND SET UP FOR FORMER COACH DEVASTATED BY FLOODS**

Randy Huffstickler, a former Northwestern football coach, and his wife Diane, an employee in the University's purchasing department, were hit by the severe flooding in Southeast Texas last week. A special assistance fund has been set up for the family at City Bank and Trust Co. in Natchitoches.

Huffstickler was an assistant at Northwestern for seven years before moving to Vidor, Texas, in the spring. He and his wife have two children. The Huffsticklers lost their home and all of their belongings in the flood.

Donations are now being accepted for the purchase of clothes, food and other essentials.

For more information contact City Bank and Trust Co. at 352-4416 or Janet Goodwin, wife of football coach Sam Goodwin, at 352-8799.

**CARAVAN FOR RENEWAL OF OLD RIVALRY BEING ORGANIZED**

Northwestern is organizing a caravan to go to Ruston when the Demons renew an old football rivalry with Louisiana Tech Nov. 5. This is the first time the two schools have squared off since 1987.

The caravan will leave the Prather Coliseum parking lot at 1 p.m. and arrive at the Demon Tailgating Tent in the Aillet Stadium parking lot about 2:30.

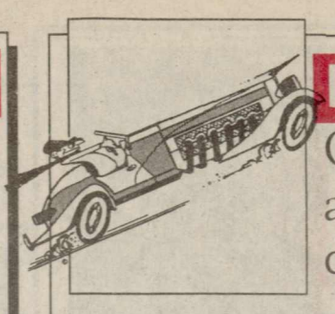
Drinks will be served at the tailgating tent, and a large barbecue pit will be available for use.

Game tickets are priced at $12 for adults and $5 for high school students and younger.



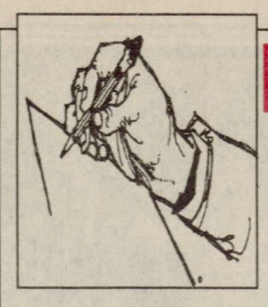
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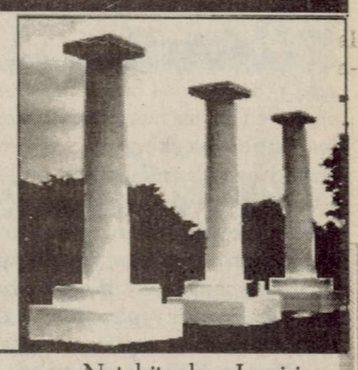
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## On the Job



Photo by Jeff Fletcher

**David Dagile from Lafayette High School takes it easy while his band performs in the sixth annual NSU Marching Contest Saturday. Over 15 bands from around Louisiana and Texas performed before a crowd of 3,000 in Turpin Stadium.**

# Northwestern hosts 15 bands

## Sixth annual contest brings high schools from around the state

Sara Farrell
*Current Sauce*

Bands from 15 high schools around Louisiana and Texas took part in the sixth annual NSU Marching Festival Saturday.

Competing for recognition and a variety of awards, the bands had the opportunity to warm up by the Fine Arts Auditorium and then appear for performances at Turpin Stadium.

According to the official contest philosophy, the purpose of the festival is "to provide a sound educational experience for all participants; provide recognition for outstanding performances; and supply valid, thorough critique to all students and directors."

"I think it's great for our recruiting, because it would be financially impossible to pull our band to 15 different high schools," Bill Brent, Northwestern band director, said.

Contest officials divided bands into three classifications.

Included in the small class, consisting of bands with 40 or fewer wind and percussion members, were Oakdale, North Desoto and Kinder high schools.

In the middle class, made up of bands with 41 to 68 wind and percussion members, officials placed Captain Shreve, Jena, Haughton, Leesville, Natchitoches Central, E.D. White and Dayton high schools.

Parkway, Lafayette, Franklin, Comeaux and Airline high schools competed in the large class category, which included bands with 69 or more wind and percussion members.

"Our kids are really doing well this year," Dale Shaw, band director of North Desoto High School, said. "It will give them a chance to compete, and we like Northwestern."

"I graduated from Northwestern," Carrie Clark, band director of Kinder High School, said. "It seems to be a fair competition. It's a good opportunity for the kids to compete, and I wanted them to see where I was from."

The contest allotted bands three minutes for setup and warm-up, a maximum of 10 minutes of show time and a two-minute maximum to clear the field. Bands in violation would receive a penalty of one division.

"They're judged on marching competency and music competency," Brent said.

The contest used three judges for the overall band ratings. Judges included Alex McGuire of Lee High School, Baytown, Texas; Carol Nelson of McCallum High School, Austin, Texas and Steve Spooner of Midway High School, Waco, Texas. Judges used the acknowledged I-V division rating system.

Bands were also judged on their colorguard, percussion line and drum major performances.

Band awards included grand champion, best in class and one to any band, percussion line, colorguard and drum major rated first division, superior.

Comeaux High School from Lafayette received the grand champion award and the E. D. White High School from Thibodaux received the most entertaining band award.

Judges gave additional awards for the most entertaining show and the most spirited supporters.

The NSU Marching Festival awarded each band a trophy for competing.

# Tommy Lasorda to address students Thursday

Keri Champion
*Current Sauce*

The Distinguished Lecture Series will feature Dodgers Manager Tommy Lasorda, at 9:30 a.m. Thursday in the A.A. Fredericks Auditorium.

Lasorda has been part of the Los Angeles Dodger family for 45 years first as a player, then as a scout, coach and manager. He has been the Dodger manager since 1976.

Lasorda's 18 years of management of the ball club is the second longest among all active coaches in professional sports. (The most active is Miami Dolphins Coach, Don Shula, who hase served in the National Football League for 24 years.)

Lasorda also has won a total of 1,422 games as an active manager and has managed 2,706 games both second only to Sparky Anderson.

He is only the 38th manager in major league history to record 1,000 wins.

Lasorda is also known for his many appearances around the country during the off season in which he speaks about his book, *The Artful Dodger,* and his lectures on how to be a winner.

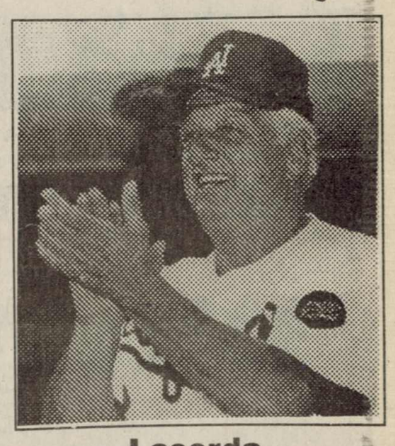
Lasorda will be the second featured speaker in the this year's lecture series. The 1994 series marks the 25th year of the Distinguished Lecture series at Northwestern.

The Distinguished Lecture Series began in 1970. Between 75-100 guests have spoken at Northwestern in the history of the series.

Past guest speakers include Maya Angelou, Ray Bradbury, Jeanne Dixon, and George McGovern. The most recent speaker was astronaut Jim Halsell this past month.

"The Distinguished Lecture series was started in order to bring diversity to campus," Tommy Whitehead, who is responsible for bringing the lecturers to Northwestern, said. "The goal of the Distinguished Lecture is to present different opinions and viewpoints to the student body.

"We have brought psychics, ball players, astronauts and writers to campus; we cannot please everyone all of the time, but we can please some of them all the time."



**Lasorda**

# Blood Drive begins today

Northwestern and the Scholars' College will host a campus blood drive from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Nov. 1- 3 in the Student Union Ballroom.

Every donor will receive a free tee-shirt and refreshments. This blood drive is facilitated by the Louisiana Blood Center and the Blood Center of Southeast Texas. Their goal is to receive 65 units of blood per day for a total of 195 units. According to the Louisiana Blood Center, 160 units per day are needed to supply the hospitals in this area. Types O+ and O- are in greater demand.

To donate blood one must not have donated blood in the last eight weeks. One must also weigh at least 110 pounds, be between 17- and 75-years-old, have no prior history of Hepatitis, know the names and reasons for currently taking all medications and feel well and healthy on the day of donation.

# J-Day topics include televised suicide



**Northwestern alumnus and KALB TV personality Marlene Hilton spoke to high school students Thursday as part of J-Day.**

Marlene Hilton, of KALB TV, was one of several professional journalists who spoke to high school students Thursday as part of Northwestern's Journalism Day.

More than 40 students from high schools around the state attended various workshops conducted by professionals in journalism and publishing.

"It's been fun," Chris Trulli, from Pickering High School, said. "I learned a lot and met a lot of different people"

Gary Fields began the day speaking about his career in journalism. Fields, a 1982 graduate of Northwestern, presently works for *USA Today*, the nation's largest newspaper.

Fields is a national reporter who has covered stories ranging from the 1992 Los Angeles riots to Hurricane Andrew; the bombing of the World Trade Center to Rwandan relief efforts and the recent unrest in Haiti.

Jeff Brady of KTBS-TV in Shreveport, Shari Warren of the Isle of Capri Casino and Teddy Allen of the Shreveport *Times* were some of the speakers who held workshops.

The event ended with Hilton's speech about the suicide aired live on television Sept.15.

Hilton discussed the ethical decisions that had to be made. "Since we can do news live, where do we draw the line?" she said.

KALB was filming an attempt by police to capture police officer Paul Broussard after the murder of his wife. KALB was filming the event live when Broussard shot himself. Hilton discussed the impact of the story on viewers and fellow journalists.

Hilton, a 1991 graduate of Northwestern, has worked with KALB for three years. She was co-host of the station's morning news program, *Jambalaya* before becoming co-anchor of the station's evening broadcasts in 1992.




## CAMPUS

**CHEMISTRY PROGRAM RECEIVES APPROVAL:** The American Chemical Society's Committee on Professional Training placed Northwestern's chemistry program on the list of approved programs. **PAGE 2**

**SCHOLARS' COLLEGE FACULTY AND STUDENTS DISCUSS THE CLASSICS:** Antiquarianis in Naples was one of the topics discussed at the annual meeting of the Louisiana Classical Associations in Baton Rouge. Scholars' College professors and students discussed various topics about the classics at the conference. **PAGE 2**

**THEATER STUDENTS TO VISIT NEW YORK:** Dr. Jack Wann, artistic director of theater, will take students to see two major musicals and five major shows such as *Sunset Boulevard, Show Boat*, and *Beauty and The Beast*. The trip includes tours of the United Nations, Wall Street and the Statue of Liberty are also included. **PAGE 2**

## CITY

**NATCHITOCHES PREPARES TO LIGHT UP THE CITY:** The annual Christmas festival is in its 68th year and preparations have already begun to light up the city Dec. 3.

## STATE

**ROEMER ANNOUNCES CANDIDACY FOR GOVERNOR:** Former Governor Buddy Roemer, announced in New Orleans this morning his plans to run for governor in 1995. He will visit Baton Rouge at noon and be in Shreveport Tuesday afternoon. Wednesday he will be in Monroe and Alexandria.

## NATION

**BROTHERS INVENT UNO-WHEEL:** Most students relax from their studies by opting for an hour of television, listening to some music or taking a quick nap. But not brothers Jon and Chris Gabrys. Instead, the two brothers invent things. While attending Penn State University, the two graduate engineering students invented the Uno-Wheel, a motorized, single-wheeled vehicle that's a cross between a motorcycle and a very large unicycle. Jon and Chris designed and built the vehicle after seeing a photocopy of a similar 1936 invention by Walter Nilsson. Although they originally wanted the Uno-Wheel to be self-powered, the Gabrys brothers decided later to see if they could incorporate a motor. The Uno-Wheel is just one of many inventions the Gabrys have created through the years. Another was a computer-controlled robot they built while in high school that could respond to voice commands, lift 30 pounds and vacuum.

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## Northwestern's chemistry program nationally approved

Northwestern's chemistry program has been placed on the list of approved programs by the American Chemical Society's Committee on Professional Training. The American Chemical Society is the national accrediting agency for chemistry degree programs.

The University's chemistry degree program has been on the ACS approved list for more than 25 years. Institutions seeking ACS approval are reviewed annually and undergo a thorough review every five years. ACS approval is equivalent to accreditation in other degree programs.

"This action by the American Chemical Society places a seal of approval on our chemistry program," Dr. Nadya Keller, coordinator of chemistry, said. "This shows that Northwestern's chemistry program is nationally competitive and is equivalent to other chemistry programs at other four year institutions."

Keller said ACS approval is necessary for Northwestern to attract good students and qualified faculty.

"Students want to be in approved programs and in order to continue to get a high caliber of students, it is important to be approved institution."

According to Keller, ACS committee members were impressed with the link between the chemistry program and the University's Joint Venture Program (JOVE) with NASA along with the tie-in with the National Center for Preservation Technology and Training. The ACS requires research projects during the senior year and these programs provide unique opportunities.

"The JOVE Program has provided many opportunities for our students," Keller said. "The National Center will provide a large variety of research opportunities for students since chemistry is an integral part of preservation."

During the approval process, committee members examined course offerings and insured that courses were offered in a timely manner. They examined lists of chemistry graduates as well as students of junior standing. Holdings of the Watson Library were checked along with the state of equipment in chemistry laboratories and specific degree options available for students.



**Bridgette Morvant, a senior journalism major, speaks to Monica Hankins from Pickering about Northwestern's Journalism and Telecommunications department at Friday's Journalism Day.** PHOTO BY JEFF GUIN

## Scholars' college faculty and students attend classics conference

Faculty and students from Scholars' College participated in the recent annual meeting of the Louisiana Classical Association in Baton Rouge.

The Louisiana Classical Association is an organization of educators from the elementary through university level and non-educators with a keen interest in the Greco-Roman world and its traditions.

Associate professor of philosophy Darrel Colson and associate professor of classics Jean D'Amato delivered lectures at the meeting. Colson spoke on "Agonistic Education" bringing to the foreground elements of Greek education that have contributed to our own educational system. His talk emanated from the Scholars' College Senior Colloquium which, this year, focuses on issues in education.

D'Amato discussed part of a book that she is writing on antiquarianism in the Naples region. She focused on the works of a Flemish Renaissance landscape painter, Joris Hoenagle, who executed landscape paintings to depict antiquities in the region.

Allison Vaughn, a senior at the Scholars' College, offered an insight into the relationship between Pythagorean doctrines and the works of the Latin poet Vergil and later commentators, particularly the 4th Century commentator Services. She followed these remarks with observations about the impact on Dante of Vergil and the earlier scholarly tradition.

## Wann to sponsor New York trip

Dr. Jack Wann, artistic director of theater, will offer a theater visit to New York City.

The trip package will include: round trip air fare from Shreveport; hotel accommodations in the heart of the theater district ( price is based on quads - doubles and singles are extra) all ground transportation, to transfers, baggage handling and tips.

The package will also include theater tickets to five major shows: two major musicals, selected from current fare including *Sunset Boulevard*, *Show Boat*, and *Beauty and The Beast*; two major straight shows; and one Off-Broadway production.

Included in the trip, two city tours will be available. These tours will consist of the United Nations, St. Patrick's, Chinatown, Wall Street, Greenwich Village, the Statue of Liberty and the Metropolitan Museum .

Anyone interested in participating in this year's trip to New York City should contact Dr. Wann at 357-6891 as soon as possible. The earlier he knows who is going, the better his chances at shows and seats.

## Student Brings Raft to FAU Campus

Florida Atlantic University junior Jeff Shapiro is trying to humanize the immigration debate on his campus by displaying a raft that once was used by Cuban immigrants.

Made from wood and sheet metal, the raft is 12 feet long and stayed afloat with the aid of three truck tire inner tubes. Shapiro estimates that a dozen people may have traveled to the United States on the raft from Cuba.

Shapiro, a vocal supporter of an open-door immigration policy, said he hopes the raft has an impact. "I want students to be sick to their stomachs when they see this raft," he said. "My hope is that the students who take their freedom in this country for granted will realize just how painful the rest of the world can be."

## Night Practices at SMU

The nightly crunching and grunting sounds from Southern Methodist University's Ownby Stadium this football season are just a reminder that the Mustangs are doing whatever it takes to stay on the long road back to pigskin prominence.

To help establish a regular practice schedule, most colleges take advantage of National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) rules that allow student-athletes to register for classes before the rest of the student body.

But members of the SMU football team must register in alphabetical order, like every other student, getting classes when they can. In addition, SMU also requires that all athletes take at least 15 credit hours each semester, one class more than the NCAA requires. This has made morning and afternoon practices for the entire team nearly impossible.

So, new coach Tom Rossley has resorted to night practices this year.

"It's a little dark, but at least we're all here," says Rossley, who adds that while he realizes his players are at SMU to learn first and to play football second, he felt that the stricter than usual requirements were holding the program back.

"It was hard to get things done when half the guys are late every day because of class. This just gives us a chance to get some continuity going."

In 1987, the National Collegiate Athletic Association shut down SMU's football program after it was found to have violated several NCAA rules.


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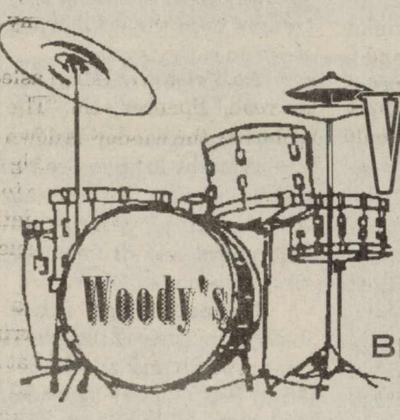
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## *On the road again*

# Students choose commuting as necessary alternative

HEATHER URENA
*Current Sauce*

The lyrics by Willie Nelson, "I just can't wait to get on the road again," illustrate how some students feel about commuting.

"Since 1981, I've commuted to either Barksdale Air Force Base, which is 40 miles away, or to school here," Henry Stotts, a graduate history student from Mansfield, said. "Since 1981 that's all I've ever done."

Because he lives in Mansfield, approximately 45 miles from Natchitoches, with his wife and children, Stotts chose to commute when he decided to return to Northwestern. According to Stotts, most people in Mansfield are used to commuting to Shreveport to work.

"Northwestern offers something that other colleges don't," Stotts said. "In history it offers a good conservative overview."

Stotts enjoys his commute. He said he has a full load on Tuesdays and Thursdays, but "I also come on the other days to do research in the library."

"It costs about $20 or $25 a week for gas, and I bring my own food," Stotts said.

"I go down to my truck and listen to the radio. I do. I go down by the lake and sit under the trees, relax. I live in my truck.

"I'm big on some music but mostly some political talk shows and that kind of thing," he said. "I'm well-informed."

Stotts does not feel lonely during his commutes. "I'm a loner," he said. "I like to do things by myself. It's very stressless."

"I'll talk aloud to myself in my truck going down the highway, and I'll memorize this [history notes] before a test. I do all kinds of stuff."

Stotts should officially graduate in December 1995, but to be a teacher, he will probably continue to commute. "I'll probably have to commute to work," he said.

Bridget Wilcoxen, a senior journalism major from Keithville, approximately 65 miles away, also spends much of her time on the road between Natchitoches, Keithville and Shreveport, where she works to put herself through school.

Wilcoxen works as bartender at night in Shreveport after school and on the weekends.

"Usually if I come on Monday nights, a lot of times, I'll stay here that night — because the restaurant I work at is not open on Monday nights."

Wilcoxen makes arrangements with another employee to switch shifts to make it easier to either get back from school or be off on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

"I like it [commuting] actually," Wilcoxen said. "I used to have someone ride with me, but they ended up quitting because commuting was too much for him."

According to Wilcoxen, successful commuting is very dependent on well-managed time.

"It takes me an hour, sometimes 40 minutes," she said. "I've been pulled over twice — no tickets.

"If you leave like five minutes late, then you will run into everything: trains, ducks crossing the road, everything. You'll get behind a logger truck, and another one will be in the other lane, and you can't get around them. You can't leave late at all because you will run late no matter what."

The constant need for gas can also make commuting costly, Wilcoxen said.

"My car is new, and it's little. But when I speed, it starts to cost quite a bit. Sometimes I catch myself filling my car up twice a week because where I work is far away from my house, and therefore, when I'm coming here and going back, sometimes gas is costly."

A downfall of commuting is trying to stay alert on the highway.

"I think I get kinda tired. So, a lot of times, I get something to drink, or I chew gum like crazy. And I think that does a lot to help keep me awake. But I have, a couple times, kinda dozed off and woke up at once.

"I keep the radio up and usually on the way home I keep the windows down, so that helps, too. A lot of times, I have to have the windows down because I will be tired."

Wilcoxen said that her late hours after working, anxiety about oversleeping and early hours for waking to go to school all contribute to her being tired.

"It's not that bad. I really like it. A lot of times, I study or I read. I just prop my book up on my dash — 'cause there's not that much traffic. I glance at the road and glance at my book. And I do a lot of memorization like that, too."

> *"If you leave like five minutes late, then you will run into everything: trains, ducks crossing the road..."*
> BRIDGET WILCOXEN
> COMMUTER STUDENT

Wilcoxen said that she often sees broken down cars on the roadside.

"That scares me. My car is new, but I could always have a blow out."

Wilcoxen wants to get a car phone for emergencies, but she does take extra caution after nearly running out of gas just before Ajax, La. "I don't know what I would do if I broke down," Wilcoxen said.

Despite the difficulties, commuting is the best alternative for some students.

"Part of why I'm commuting is because I don't want to quit my job there [in Shreveport] because I know I am making good money," Wilcoxen said. "And, I don't know what would be here that I could get. I couldn't stop working because I have to pay for my car and my insurance and anything else that comes up.

"I don't mind commuting, but it would be nice not to have to do it.

"I do a lot of thinking while I'm driving," Wilcoxen said. "It's kind of peaceful — especially now that I'm by myself."

"It's a long, boring drive," said Rebecca Spencer, a senior sociology major from Cotile Lake in Boyce, approximately 40 miles away.

"It was just closer to commute here — and cheaper," Spencer said. "It's not too easy. I attend school Tuesday and Thursday and those are my only two days off from work. I work at Wal-Mart in Alex [Alexandria]. During work time, I work from 5 a.m. to about 3 p.m., which leaves me very little time for studying.

"I spend a lot of time on the road. It's a brand new car. It's got a lot of miles on it," Spencer said. "The car I had before was like an '81. It was held together with bubble gum and bailing wire."

Commuting was "rough" on her old car. Spencer spends about $60 per month on gasoline for commuting to school twice a week and to work the other five days a week.

She spends about two and one-half hours per school day driving. On Tuesdays she has a six-hour break between her morning and night class.

She takes the opportunity to study in the library or the Student Union because "there's not a whole lot to do in Natchitoches.

"You can only Wal-Mart it so many times. Trust me.

"It's a small college town," Spencer said. "Even in Alex there's something to do. You can go to town."

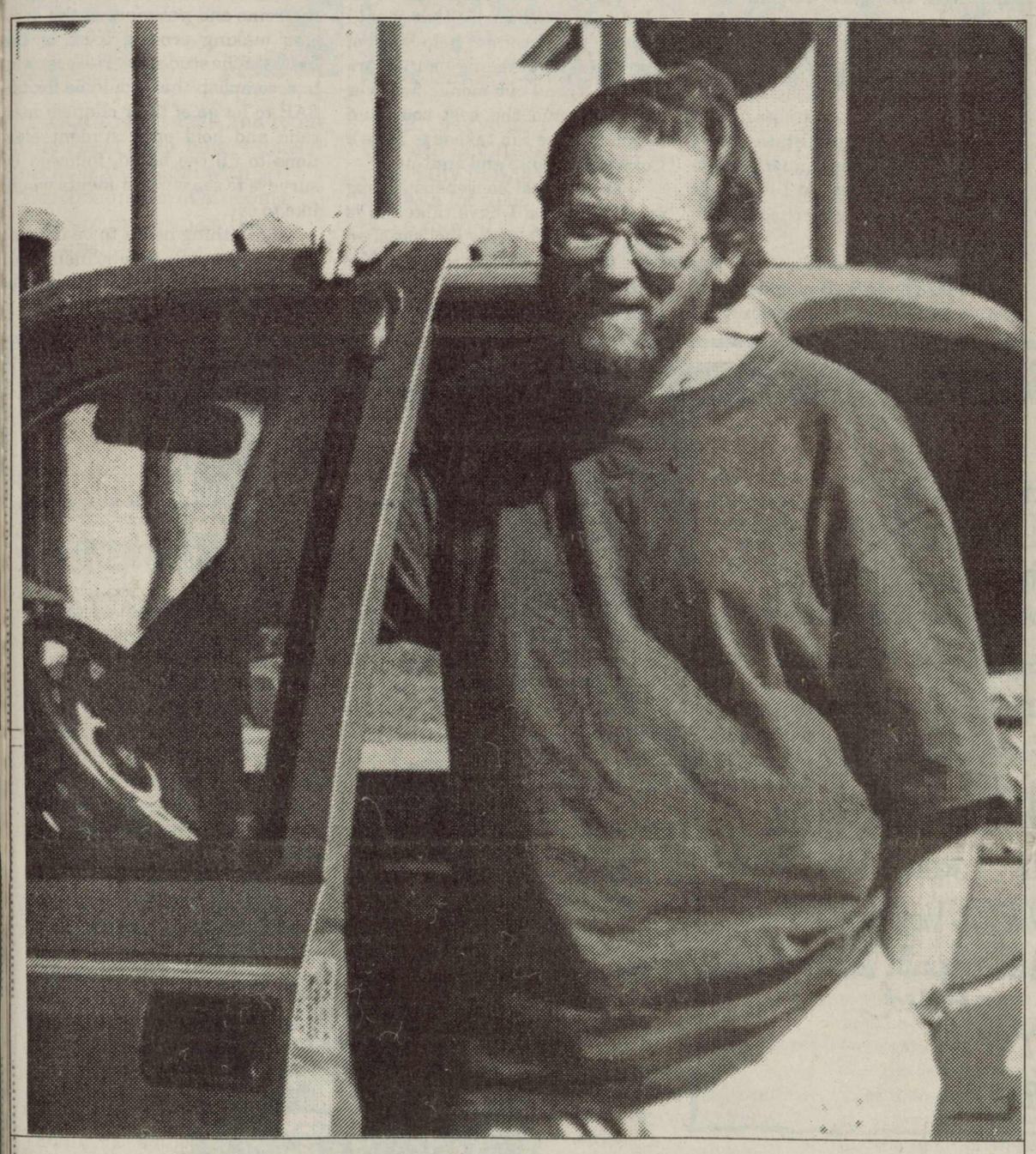
Spencer gets back home at about 10:30 p.m. after her night class. "I get to bed, and then about 2:30 a.m. I wake up," she said.

Spencer tried to carpool, but "It was just not beneficial to my sleep pattern."

"No, I've never fallen asleep on the road," Spencer said. "The radio is blaring, the window is down — all those great little hints — a big cup of coffee. It works. If you have to go to the bathroom, it's great initiative to stay awake. I pray the whole way home."

Spencer will remain a commuter; she will be transferring to Louisiana State University at Alexandria for senior college and later will travel to LSU-Baton Rouge.

Time and time again commuters will continue on the road again to go back and forth for school and work.



**Henry Stotts, graduate student in history, prepares to make the commute back to Mansfield.**

**Stots commutes 45 miles about three days a week. He listens to his radio to pass the time.**

# *Couples compromise: studies, relationships sacrificed*

HEATHER COOLEY
*Current Sauce*

It's 10 p.m., a paper is due in two days, a test tomorrow, no clean clothes, no food (unless that green moldy stuff counts), and you haven't had the opportunity to really talk to your "significant other" all day.

This is a problem facing many couples at Northwestern. How does one balance school, work and a relationship? The answer given by most couples is compromise and time management.

Newlyweds Chris and Ashley Cotton, both sophomores, eat lunch together and try to find time to spend with one another between classes.

"We don't see each other that much because she works and I have a heavy course load this semester," Chris said. "It is not hard to find time, you just make exceptions. Married couples especially have to learn to neglect other people. They have to lose their social skills in order to spend more time with each other."

> *"Students are here not only for a formal education, but also for an education in social interaction"*
> DANA LEWIS
> NON-TRADITIONAL STUDENT

Shannon Kelly Warren, a sophomore in chemistry, and her husband Brian enjoy living in married student housing, but also face the same problem the Cottons face — time.

With conflicting work and school schedules, the Warrens hardly find time to spend together. When he comes in at night, she is usually doing homework until the early morning hours.

"On weekends we usually take Saturday night, because he is usually off, and do something just for us," she said. "Sometimes I have to put off homework just so we can spend time together."

She added that this semester her grades have improved because she is not worrying about Brian traveling back and forth to see her. Although homework consumes much of the time they could spend together, he encourages her to spend time on her studies.

"A lot of times when I want a break and I can't think anymore, he always is encouraging me to go back and finish my homework," she said. "He told me that he would work and pay the bills and keep the house clean if I will just concentrate on my studies."

Living in married student housing is convenient and cheap for the Warrens.

"It's definitely convenient, because sometimes he has the car in the afternoon and I have to walk to my afternoon classes, and it works out really great," she said. "It's close enough where I can walk to class and get there on time."

Living expenses are cheaper because the Warrens live in married student housing. The rent is affordable and not having to buy a meal plan saves on food costs.

"I love having my own place," she said. "I can buy my own food. It is not nearly as expensive as a meal ticket."

Couples who live in Boozman (the only coed dorm on campus) have the opportunity to see one another more than couples who don't. The advantage of having a boyfriend live in the same dorm was noticed by sophomore Jenny Vance when her boyfriend had to move to Bossier Hall this semester.

"You have to walk all the way across campus," Vance said. "When he lived in the dorm [Boozman] I could call him at night and say come downstairs, and now I can't do that."

Stefan Long, a sophomore who lives off campus and works long hours, also realizes the hassle of having a significant other who lives in another dorm or off campus. Most dorms only have certain hours for checking people in.

"Because my fiancee lives in the dorm and I live in an apartment, I only get to see her between classes and occasionally she gets to come over," Long said. "It is hard to find time to spend with people in school, especially people you care a lot about."

Working out schedules is difficult for those who live together as well as for those who have long distances separating them. Having a long distance relationship does have certain advantages, such as more time for studying.

Heather Honore, a sophomore, has a boyfriend of two years who she only gets to see one weekend out of every four or five weeks, unless he comes to Natchitoches. But he also has a full-time job in Baton Rouge.

"With him in Baton Rouge and me here, I don't have as many distractions," Honore said. "It certainly helps with studying."

Honore said distance definitely makes the heart grow fonder.

"It kinda helps that my boyfriend is older than I am," Honore said. "Ten years adds a lot of maturity for a man. It's a lot of factors, the maturity level, previous history with relationships, and you have got to be willing to make sacrifices. You have to trust in the respect that you have for them and the respect they have for you."

According to Honore, getting past loneliness and believing that eventually everything will work out is what will make the relationship last. She said that each person has to decide what is best because others can do a lot to destroy a relationship.

Outrageous phone bills and the temptation to cheat or be dishonest are some problems facing long distance relationships.

"You are tempted not to be honest with that person because you don't want to bother that person with your problems," Honore said. "There is a difference between talking to somebody on the phone and seeing them in person. Basically, you can get a lot more out of the person if you are seeing them face to face. We have had a lot of problems where I wouldn't want to burden him with how my school day went and that kind of thing and he didn't want to bother me with how his work day went. I am human; he is human, too. We have both been tempted and at least we have been honest enough with each other to say look I saw this person. I am interested, but I didn't do anything."

According to Dana Lewis, senior, "Students are here not only for a formal education, but also for an education in social interaction.

"Most students have boy/girlfriends or they are at least playing the game. This is a process which I am not involved in. Therefore, I am not going out, and yet I am also unable to experience what has become my normal source of social interaction, marriage."

Because of the strain of commuting, the expenses of commuting and the competing interests of non-traditional student life activities versus the traditional students' involvement, Lewis made a unique decision.

Lewis spends the week with a friend and commutes home to Fort Polk on the weekends to be with her husband. To prevent problems, they work on communication and expressing their feelings about the temporary separation.

"I wanted to be involved in extracurricular activities so that when he leaves in January OCS [Officers Candidate School] I will have plenty of things to keep me busy," Lewis said. "At this point I'm really tired and would like to just go home."

## HOLIDAY HISTORY

BRIDGETTE MORVANT
*Current Sauce*

**All Saints and All Souls**

With the passing of Halloween comes the Christian root of the holiday, All Saints Day.

In 835 Pope Gregory IV moved the commemoration of All Saints from May 13 to Nov. 1. The Church's reason for moving the feast day was to Christianize the pagan rituals associated with the All Hallow's Eve Festival. The new celebration honored all of the recognized saints of the Church.

In 988 the commemoration of all the faithful departed was designated to Nov. 2, All Souls Day. The observance rapidly spread throughout the Western Church. As part of the day's ceremony, the names of the dead were entered into lists known as diptychs and commemorated in the liturgies.

Several customs surrounding the Festival of the Dead have survived. They include lighting lamps on the graves of the dead, burning candles in the house, and tolling bells until midnight.

In addition to processions with lighted candles, another common All Soul's Day ritual is the offering of soul-cakes to the dead, who are supposed to return to warm themselves by the fire.

In modern times, All Saints Day and All Souls Day are celebrated with special masses and ceremonies in cemeteries. This is also a traditional time of year for relatives to clean and place flowers on the graves of departed loved ones. All Saints Day is still a holy day of obligation in the Roman Catholic Church.

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# Students Count

## A little help goes a long way

Every student has come in contact with that recruiter or adviser who eases the transition into college life. They are the type of people who make the difference as to whether more people decide to make Northwestern the place for them.

Unfortunately, people like Bobbie Jackson in the Department of Language and Communications and Margie Huddleston at ARA are fast becoming extinct on campus.

Instead, we now find signs in various University departments telling us, "A lack of planning on your part does not necessarily constitute an emergency on mine." You may see it when you go to register, get advised on classes or perform any activity that requires dealings with Northwestern bureaucracy.

Is it just us, or are these signs just rude? They are ironic in any case. Especially in that, no matter how much you plan your financial aid, registration or graduation, something will always seem to go wrong. Now we ask, "How can the sentiments described in those signs be justified?"

We don't mean to say that students are never the source of problems. On the contrary, we are often irresponsible. But college is a learning experience. Staff members have no cause to become defensive when we bring a problem to them.

We wonder what the people who put these things up in their offices are thinking. Do they expect students will approach them on a friendlier level?

Truly, rudeness has been elevated to an art form at Northwestern and pass the buck to a high-stakes game. Students can go into any place on campus with good intentions and leave hating the world. Subsequently, the naive freshman just entering Northwestern will likely graduate with an attitude for life. Our question is, "Why does it have to be this way?"

Why can't the people behind those desks or counters take down their "lack of planning" signs and be willing to give students with genuine problems a little help?

We think Northwestern should require some kind of politeness training for all of its employees (student workers and faculty included). At least give the desk workers a clue as to what is going on if the person in charge is not going to be in the office.

We have a few suggestions to Northwestern personnel which may take care of our problems and yours.

First of all, review the responsibilities of your job. If a student's request, no matter how trivial, falls within your area of responsibility, fulfill it as best you know how — whether or not you *feel* like doing it.

Secondly, if the request doesn't fall within your area of responsibility but you know the answer, or you are able to help, do your best to help the person. Northwestern can use all the good will it can get.

Third, if you can't help. Find out who can and when they are available. Don't just say "they" are out of the office until "sometime" this afternoon or maybe tomorrow and you will "try" to give them the message.

After all, aren't you here **for** the students--as well as **because** of the students?

At least that's what the signs say at the entrances of the University.

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# Student Activities Board not responsive to students



**Andrew**Martin
Column

Last week an article was printed in the *Current Sauce* depicting Greeks as elitists and separatists on campus. I can't help but feel that this is truly unfair because other organizations on campus fit this unflattering description even better. One is none other than our Student Activities Board.

Have you ever realized that the SAB is the only major student service organization on campus whose members are not popularly elected?

If you desire to be on the SAB then you have to try out (read that as present yourself to those "wise" in the ways of entertaining the student body) to let them determine if you are "worthy" enough to become a member. I find these closed-minded membership requirements infuriating because I am being forced against my will to fund the SAB every year. If I am going to pay to fund an organization that is going to entertain me, I'd like to have some kind of say as to who is a member on the board and what kind of entertainment I'm going to see.

What is the SAB trying to tell us? "We don't feel like you are competent enough to vote on what you find entertaining." Anyone with any sense of pride should find this both insulting and degrading. Who are they to condescend to the student body as a whole? I am apparently competent enough to be allowed to vote for homecoming court, Mr. and Miss NSU, and the SGA (whose duties I consider infinitely more important than planning the Tuesday night movie). I can even vote for the president of the United States. That is arguably the most important job on the entire planet but I still can't vote for who is going to schedule this year's concert.

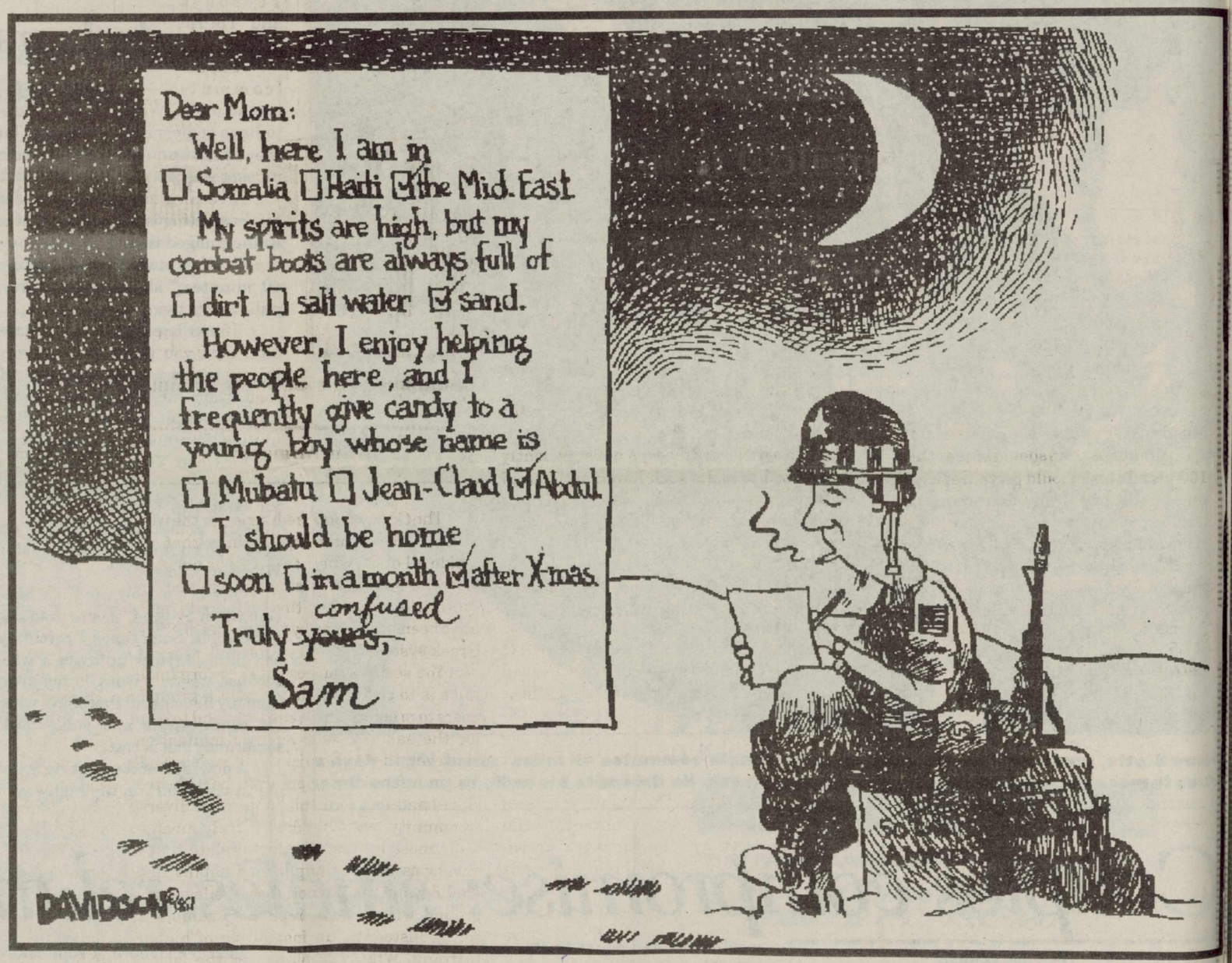
When was the last time you were asked by an SAB member what you were interested in seeing? I can't remember the last time I was approached on that subject. If we can't even have a say in who represents us on the board could we at least give them some input in what we'd like to see? We shouldn't have to track down members to tell them what we'd like because that should be their job. I cannot help but feel that the SAB is telling us they are going to spend our money however they will, and the best course of action that we can take is to have a Coke and a smile and shut-up.

The general consensus among students whom I have talked to is that they don't really feel satisfied with the kind of activities that the SAB is providing. There was a great deal more dissension than excitement over the Tim McGraw concert, and the SAB concert chairman resigned after that decision was made to have him here. That would lead anyone with a brain to believe that maybe the process inside the SAB is not so democratic. Perhaps if the SAB would take the time to ask around as to what we would like to see, people would actually stay here in Natchitoches on the weekends. That is an issue I'm sure a lot of people would like to see tackled.

The problem here seems to be one of adequate and fair representation (which we are not getting) for the student body.

It is time for the SAB to let go of the reins and put more of the decision making process back in the hands of the students. The best way to accomplish that would be for the SAB to let go of their cliquish attitude and hold open student elections to fill the board, followed by surveys to see what students would like to see.

Something needs to be done as the status quo is unfair, ineffective and and should not be allowed to continue.




# Sensationalism blurs line between tabloid and 'straight' news reporting



**Jeremy**Broussard
& **Dawn**Vallery
Guest Column

Recently we investigated a local news story as part of our advanced news reporting class. We went to the Natchitoches city police station expecting to receive standard facts on the case. Instead, we ran into unreasonable costs, plenty of red tape and officials who seemed to have a genuine fear of the media.

Seeing ourselves as some of the least hostile-looking people we know, we wondered what caused this reaction.

Was it because we were students, working for a student publication? We feel the problem reaches deeper. The reaction is probably caused by a negative attitude toward anyone associated with the press.

From student presses to national television, quality press publications have lost respect. The public view of the media in the '80s and '90s has turned from one of respect for a service necessary to the U.S. government to an attitude of scorn and scandal.

In the eyes of the forefathers of this nation, the media and its watchdog stance on government was seen as an essential guarantee to the freedoms every citizen enjoyed.

Today, because of tabloids, television and talk-shows, members of the press are portrayed as self-centered hacks, creating scandals when none exist. Is the United States fed up with its media frenzy? Yes, we (journalists included) are fed up with the frenzy, but not with the news.

For example, O.J. Simpson sparked a media circus for a complete summer. Amy Fisher turned tabloids into a career through selling movie rights. Tonya Harding fell from spotlights and sports history as she and Nancy Kerrigan stole the media coverage during the winter Olympics. Michael Jackson's reputation, marred by allegations, suffered irreparable damage following child abuse accusations.

The guilt or innocence of each of these people, by law, was decided within a courtroom. By public standards, the jury is hung or will never reach a decision.

Does real journalism still exist? Where is Edward R. Murrow and the solid reputation he created? It is alive, but strangled by the hands of the public.

Tabloids sell, not news. American citizens aren't looking for hard news, they want sensationalism. It's flash and a glamorous style of reporting under the guise of professionalism that attracts public attention and most importantly . . . money.

For two college journalists, looking into a career in this frenzy seems dismal. Plenty of jobs exist for tabloid reporters, but the "respectable" jobs are scarce. And when respectability is defined, what news organizations are included in that definition?

Even the largest news networks have their lineup of tabloid shows. Their portrayal of the "facts" in an entertaining manner slants the real news.

The average citizen now sees straight fact with a slight twist. By turning straight news into tabloid journalism on most major news networks, the American public believes the two are now interchangeable. Tabloid and facts are the same.

Where is our problem? Our problem arises when we, two college journalists, try to print a credible story and establish an honest reputation. Our sources, who believe tabloid and straight news are interchangeable, refuse to give us the information we need for fear of becoming a subject of "new American hard news."

Thanks to "reputable" national news networks, the fear of being involved in scandals and smeared across the front page reaches small towns.

The journalism profession has created this problem for itself by promoting tabloid reporting. We're not saying tabloid is bad. We are saying it's easy.

It's easy to run stories of scandal without accurate, validated sources to earn a quick buck. But where has this left hard news?

They are in a world where people are afraid to speak out. They are in a world that believes journalists are disreputable.

Which leads us back to two college students who are trying to run hard facts on a simple story.

If you don't realize it, we do believe in truth, justice and the American way.

But when the world has turned against us, we are often left to print invalidated stories.

Vicious cycle, isn't it?

# Campus Forum

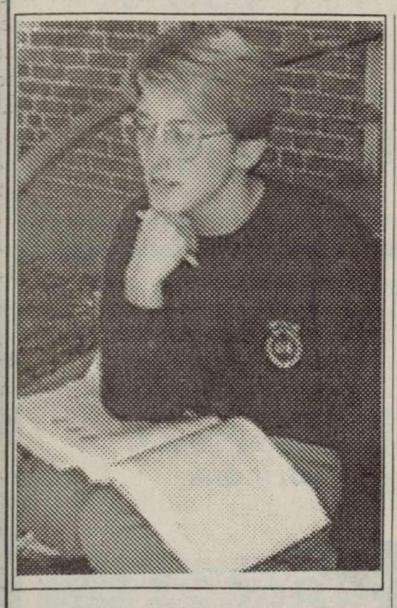
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**News and Views from the Northwestern Community**

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## Current Quotes

### What has been your experience with Northwestern personnel?



"I went to Fort Polk and to me they seem nicer here, I guess because they deal with a higher number of students they are more up on the updates."

*—Angela Cummins*
*Jr. Accounting*



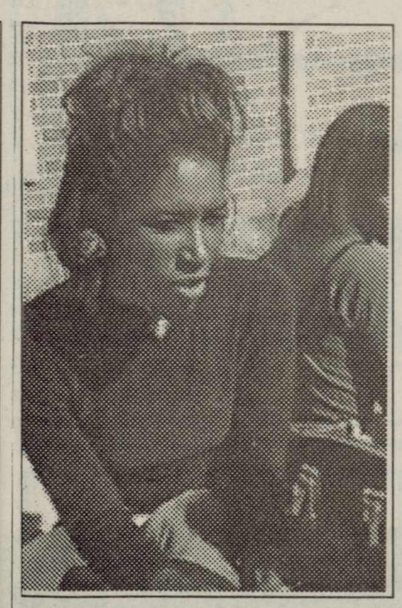
"Well, they've been nice and everything but their efficiency, especially in financial aid, leaves a lot to be desired. I don't know if they don't have enough people or what but they just lack in getting the job done."

*—Wendi White, Jr.*
*Accounting*



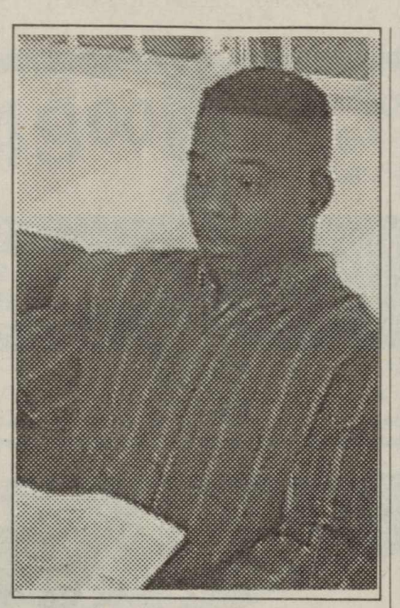
"They've been curtious. It's not that they don't want to be efficient it's just that sometimes the system doesn't allow them to."

*—Silby Wright, Sr.*
*Psychology*



"I am a transfer student from Tech and NSU is more of a friendly campus. As far as efficiency goes, it's just like every other office I've been in. It seems like they like to make you wait and inconvenience and trouble you. The people that they stick in there don't know what they're talking about anyway so how can they help you?"

*—Rashawan St.*
*John, Jr. Journalism*



" It's been really nice. They help you a lot with paperwork and such here at the university

*—Derrick Fields, So.*
*Nursing*



"As far as financial aid is concerned, if your aid is not in on time, they don't let you know and then you go to pay your fees and you find out your money is not there. You get really frustrated.

*—Connie Rainey,*
*Sr. Advertising Design*

## Forum Directory

***Campus Connection***

The staff of the *Current Sauce* invites all campus organizations to send announcements for publication in Campus Connection. However, we remind organizations of the guidelines involved. Campus Connection submissions must be brought to Rm. 225 by noon on the Monday before Tuesday publication.

All submissions should be **less than 100 words** and should pertain solely to **meetings, announcements and upcoming activities**. Birthday greetings, congratulations and/or product advertisements should be submitted as paid classified ads. All submissions are subject to editorial alteration. For more information, contact the *Current Sauce* at 357-5456.

***Letters to the editor***

Should be no more than 300 words and must include the signature of the author, the author's classification, major and phone number for fact verification. Letters must be in good taste, truthful and free of libel, malice and personal controversy. Inclusion of any and all material is left to the discretion of the editor.

***Forum Viewpoint***

This section provides students the opportunity to express their views in a column-type format. Each submission should be between 400-500 words and include the author's signature and phone No. Submissions must also include a photo of the author. The *Current Sauce* can also take pictures of the author. Columns must be written professionally and include no personal controversy. The editor reserves the right to edit all submissions for taste, grammar space considerations. Inclusion of any and all material is left to the discretion of the editor.

***Current Quotes***

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## YourView

## Letters to the editor

ANDREA HARRIGAN, APRIL JESSUP AND STACY WIBBEN

We are writing this letter in regard to the article published in the *Current Sauce* last week entitled "Conflicting Portrayals of Brotherhood/Sisterhood: It's Greek to us." We have been an active part of Northwestern's Greek system for the past three years. Campus activities and community service have been a major part of our college experience.

The article written was not sufficiently researched to make such harsh and biased claims against the Greek system. The poll taken was inadequate because Greeks were not represented.

Out of the 5000+ students on this campus, only 30 were interviewed. This sample is not large enough to state the views of the entire campus.

If the article were thoroughly researched, the author would have known that any person, regardless of race or ethnic background, has the opportunity to participate in rush activities.

The article was correct with one aspect of diversity because several fraternities and sororities on this campus have people of different colors, religion, background, social and financial status. This makes us a positive element of college life and prepares us for the real world.

The majority of organizations and campus activities involve Greeks. Greeks also donate a tremendous amount of time and money to the community and national charities.

Over the past three years, our sorority has accomplished the following: donated thousands of dollars to child care research, contributed $1200 to the Red Cross earthquake relief, volunteered 10 hours every week to the Boys and Girls Club of Natchitoches, participated in the adopt-a-highway program, donated stuffed animals and coloring books to hospitals, participated annually in the Second Olympics, and the list goes on.

Everyone is entitled to their opinion. It is an honor and a privilege to be a part of our organization. We are proud of our accomplishments. If more time was spent on understanding the Greek system rather than condemning it, none of these misconceptions would exist. People will always condemn what they do not understand.

NAME WITHHELD

The *Current Sauce* editorial for the week of Oct. 25 conjured up feelings that are inside all of us, whether Greek or not. Anyone who survived freshman year and has continued coming to this university must have been influenced by the stigma of NSU's Greek system.

You see, the purpose of these organizations is to come together within a group of peers to promote unity, equality, and to bond for the sake of their beloved foundation. However, these organizations have become lost in a facade of popularity, parties, tee-shirts and booze in this small and diverse community. So, what does it truly mean to wear those letters? The facts relate that it envelopes name-calling, back-stabbing, date trading, and the promotion of a college playground with certain regard to rumors at recess instead of an institution of higher-learning. Who is to blame for the lack of authority and discipline within? T h e powers that be, or for better words, the ones who are in charge.

What about unity and equality, folks? We have reached a lull in our efforts to extend a world of peace to our children, it is time now that we, the leaders of tomorrow, take a mature stand on this separateness. We all have a mind to change things as that is what has led us to higher learning.

We do not need these separate organizations when what we need in this country is equality to build a more liberated society. When are we going to break down and *work* together on this?

Ignorance is a virtue, friends. This is not to say that there are not any genuine people out there, working to keep those ideals in reality. However, the self righteous people who act as though those Greek letters have somehow transformed them into a more supreme being are merely hypocrites. At one time they longed for acceptance and now they pay for it. The sad part is that deep-down they are insecure and know that they are truly buying their friends. Independence is, for the most part, growing up and sooner or later, it will come to pass.

TIMOTHY BOURQUE

The thrill of finding the treasure of $250 was the hopes of all participants in the IM Half-Niter.

After the first clue was given on Monday, I just knew that the little gold tag would be on the new debate sign at the main entrance. To my surprise, the tag was not there. Then I find out that the tag was found on the debate sign on Wednesday afternoon.

The IM staff fooled me, along with everyone else who was hunting for the little gold tag. Why should the IM staff be allowed to give clues to a treasure that cannot be found? In my opinion, I should be given the $250. If the IM staff can't take responsibility to place the gold tags before they decide to give the clues, then maybe they should find someone else to run it who can take responsibility. The Half-Niter is a lot of fun and is a good way to bring students together to compete in many types of games. I just think that the IM staff should not give the clues to a treasure hunt when they have not put the treasure out to be found.

JOHN W. PARKER
*senior, chemistry*

I'm a little peeved about a situation that I've just had with a pair of campus police officers. I'd like to explain the situation, offer my views, and extend the opportunity for Captain Askew to offer a rebuttal.

I arrived on campus around 7 p.m. on Oct. 25, 1994, near the Louisiana School for Math, Science and the Arts. Since I was late for work at the coliseum and I saw Cpt. Askew and another officer leaving the police station, I asked if they were making a swing around campus and if I could get a ride to work. Cpt. Askew said, "We don't do that because of liability." I turned away thinking nothing of it, but then I thought that I should ask the officer's name since I felt he had been curt with me. When I asked the captain's name he approached within six inches of my face and said, I quote, "CAPTAIN Askew." (The emphasis is completely his, I may add.) He then asked if I was "scared" to walk to the coliseum and I replied in the negative. As I walked to the coliseum to tutor athletes, I simmered and decided on my course of action.

I suppose that I am still naive enough to believe you can embarrass people into action. I obviously couldn't reason with CAPTAIN Askew and if I had been a woman I would have just had to show a little leg and they would have been more than happy to provide transportation. I'm so sorry the only skin that shows is on top of my head — I myself can see through skin, thank you.

Anyhow, I pondered the nature of the words "public servant" and it really chaffed me that I, as well as my parents and the parents of every young man and woman in this school, pay CAPTAIN Askew's salary indirectly through taxes. It does seem as if we could get more for our money.

MELISSA FUSELIER
*Louisiana Scholars' College*

Mr. Andrew Martin,

As a young journalism major, maybe you should pay more attention in your journalism classes. You accuse the *Kitsch* of your own faults. Make no error, I am not defending the *Kitsch*. As an LSC student, I was angered by your column in the Oct. 25 issue of *The Current Sauce*. In the column, you grouped us all together as "a bunch of intellectually undernourished dregs." If you would have researched your story, you would have found that the greater majority of the students do not even know who puts the *Kitsch* out. In conclusion, I have a few suggestions for you to take into consideration for your future in journalism — research before you speak, facts before your feelings, talk to those involved, and never give more credit to a group whose purpose is not clear to your eyes.

## CampusConnection

**Student Activities Board**

SAB is sponsoring its seventh annual "Lend a Hand, Give A Can" Food Drive. The drive will run from Nov. 1 through Nov. 16.

The organization collecting the most food items will receive $25 and an engraved plaque. Deadline for entry is today. This contest is open to all organizations, departments and residence halls.

For more information, come by Rm. 214 in the Student Union.

**Sigma Kappa**

Can drive starts today. Don't forget to donate. The sisterhood retreat is Friday evening at 8; everyone needs a purse, magazine, blanket and pillow. To sign up for sisterhood retreat shirts, call Daphne.

Inspiration will be at 9 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday and 8 p.m. Friday. Initiation is 10 a.m. Sunday. Actives must be at the house by 9 a.m. Big Sisters don't forget your responsibilities.

Christmas dance fees are due by Nov. 18. Turn in dues by Nov. 10. Reports for the alumni newsletters are due today.

The cookie bake is Saturday. The Rock-A-Thon is Nov. 10. Lollipop sales are tomorrow.

**Black Student Association**

BSA will host Table Topics II from 7:30 to 8:45 p.m. tomorrow in the Cane River Room of the Student Union.

Please come to discuss important topics The theme will be "The Black Male: Boys to Men."

The BSA meeting will be from 7 to 7:30 p.m. tomorrow in the Cane River Room. This meeting is very important.

The BSA will sell t-shirts this week. Contact any executive member or call 5531.

**Sigma Sigma Sigma**

Come to the Christmas dance meeting at 6 p.m. today at the Tri-Sigma house.

Tonight there are to volleyball games — one at 6:30 p.m. and one at 7:15 p.m.--both at the PE Majors Building

Our exchange with the with the baseball team is 9 -10:30 p.m. Wednesday in The Alley.

Spirit and Public Relations committee will make signs at the house at 6:30 p.m. following the 5:45 p.m. volleyball game on Thursday.

***Current Sauce***

*Current Sauce* will have a mandatory meeting for all staff writers, photographers, columnists and layout personnel at 8 p.m. tomorrow in Rm. 225 Kyser Hall.

Assignments will be made at this meeting.

**Miss LOB**

Students interested in participating in the Miss Northestern Lady of the Bracelet pageant are invited to an interest party tomorrow in Rm. 214 of the Student Union.

Applications are due by 4:30 p.m. Dec. 2. For more information come by and speak ith anyone in the Student Activities Board office.

The Miss Northwestern Lady Of the Bracelet pagaent is a Miss Louisiana Preliminary Pageant.

MINUTES FOR THE NORTHWESTERN STATE UNIVERSITY STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION MEETING 10/17/94

The meeting was called to order at 8:37 p.m. Jonathan Gauthier called roll and Rick Bailes, Chris Conway, Phillip Devilbiss, Clay Gardner, Melissa Mabou, Jason Meche and Kasey Nunley were not present. The minutes were approved as being read.

Wendy called for officer's reports and Jacinda said that Blair, Romona and Jacob did a really good job in the Homecoming lip sinc competition.

Blair announced that every senator must wear his/her name tag every Monday.

Wendy called for old business and a motion was made to remove the table on a resolution concerning the Flight Team. The motion passed to remove the table and the resolution was read aloud. The resolution would allocate $7,130 to the Flight Team. The Flight Team captain spoke in favor of the resolution. The motion passed to allocate $7,130 to the Flight Team. There was one abstention.

Wendy called for new business. Paul read a resolution that would allocate $2,404 to the Horse Show Club. The motion was seconded. A Horse Show Club member spoke on behalf of the resolution. The motion passed.

Legislation was read to allocate $2,865 to the Swamp Demons. The motion was seconded. The motion passed with three abstentions.

Wendy called for announcements and Mark announced that Academic Affairs will meet Tuesday, Oct. 18 at 3:30 in Prudhoome Hall. Blair said committee assignments will be posted and put in your boxes by Wednesday. Committee chairpersons need to turn in time and place where committee meetings will be held.

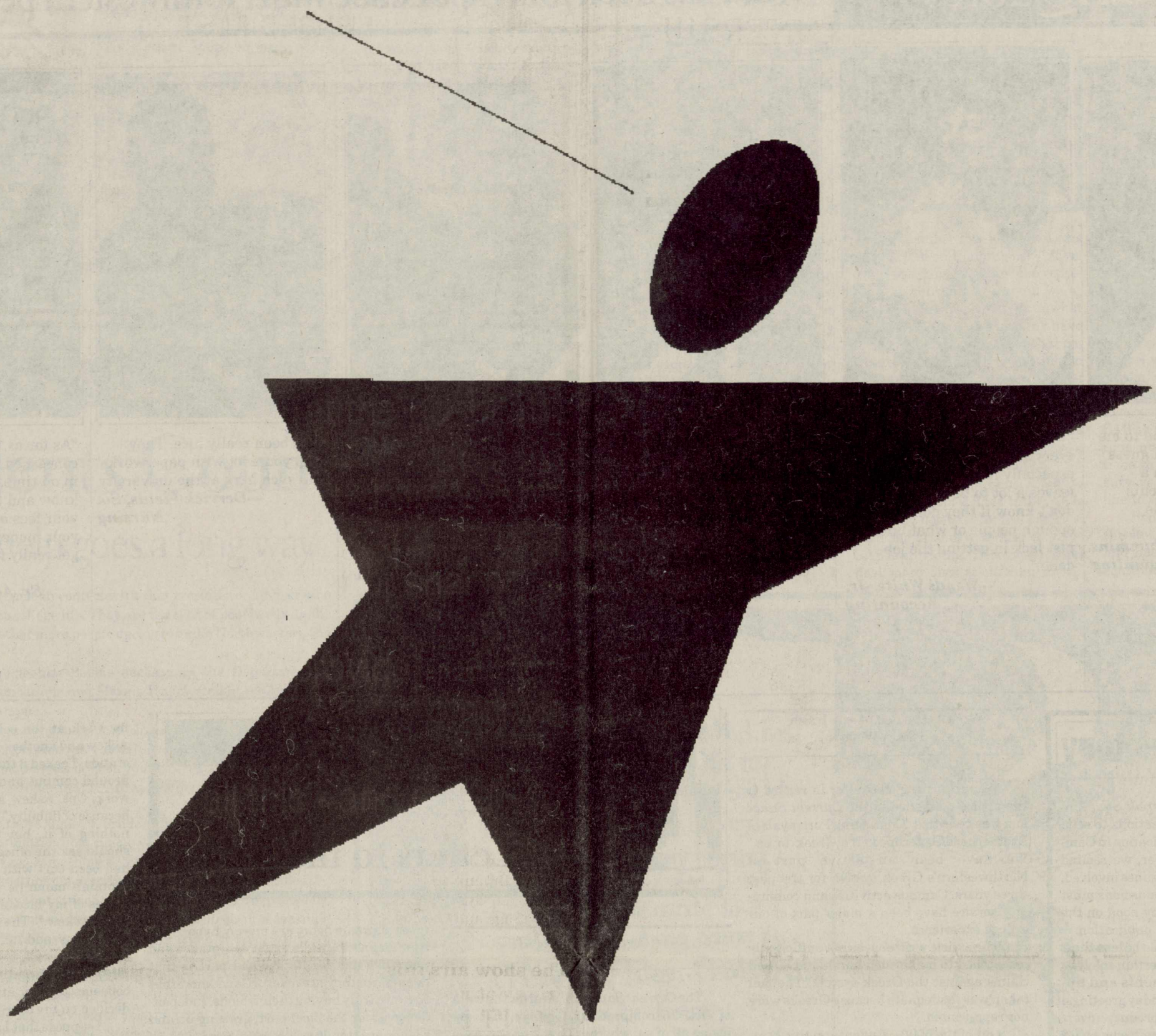
Jaime and Misty asked for help in decorating the float and getting a truck for the Homecoming parade Thursday.

Amy, Paul and Jacob need to write up legislation on SGA letterhead for Club Sports and have it in by Monday.

Will said one of the great rules of life is to never ride a bicycle without a seat.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

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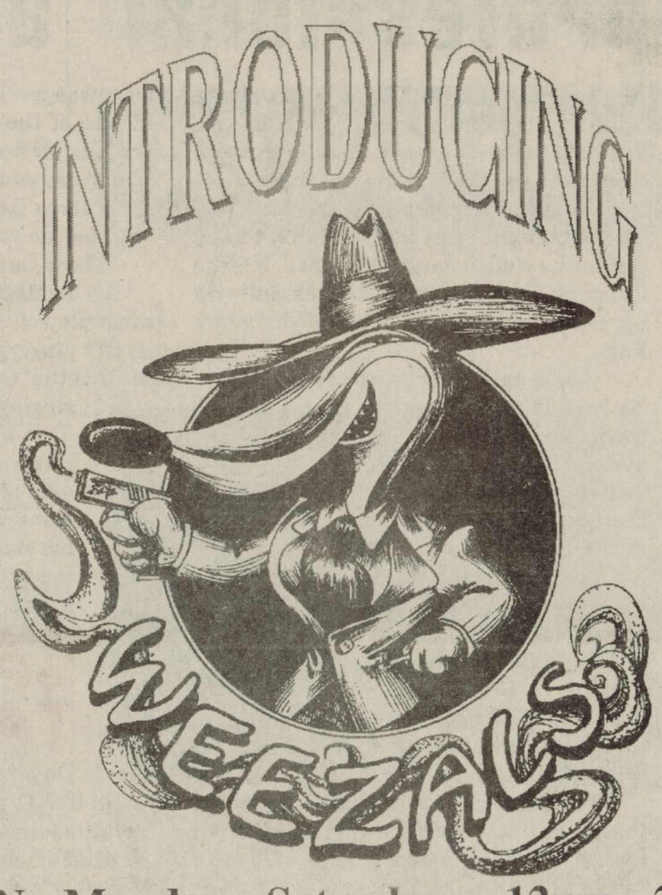
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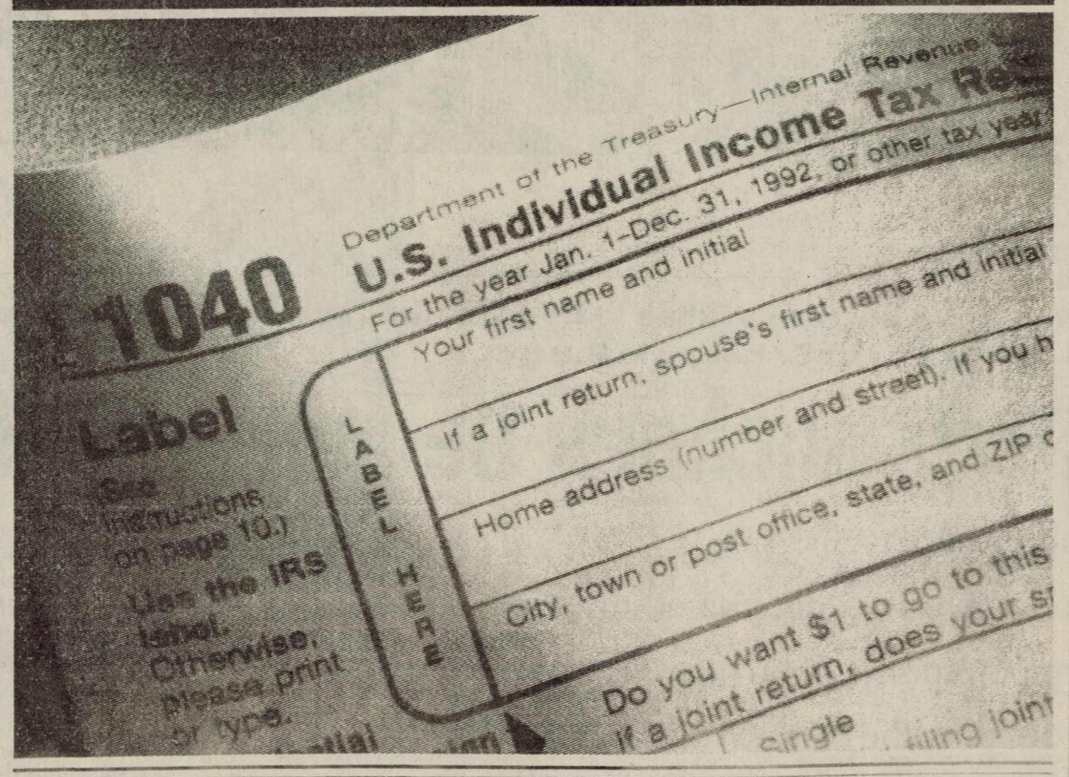
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# Demons whip Bobcats; prepare for Louisiana Tech

MIKE WHITMIRE
*Current Sauce*

Northwestern kept its playoff and championship hopes alive with a 41-17 whipping of Southwest Texas State in Southland Conference football action Saturday in San Marcos, Texas.

Brad Laird led the Demon offense with three touchdown runs, hitting 16 of 21 passes for 235 yards and no interceptions. Northwestern put points on the board in four straight second-half possessions.

Northwestern, 3-1 in SLC play and 5-3 overall, visits Division 1-A rival Louisiana Tech, 1-7, Saturday in Ruston, and then finishes the regular season with SLC foes McNeese State and Stephen F. Austin.

North Texas leads the Southland Conference race with a 4-0 mark, followed by the Demons at 3-1. McNeese State and Stephen F. Austin are tied for third at 2-1. Only the conference champion gets an automatic berth to the playoffs.

"Three wins should put us in the playoffs for sure," Demon Coach Sam Goodwin said. "If we win two it will give us a good shot. But we can't afford to think that far ahead. Hopefully, we'll be able to get focused on this game coming up."

The Louisiana Tech game will be the first meeting between the old rivals since 1987. Northwestern and Louisiana Tech had faced each other 76 times between 1907-87, with Tech holding a commanding 51-19-6 edge in the series.

"The rivalry has been kind of one-sided," Goodwin said. "We played them tough but we didn't win very many of them. But none of our guys have played against them, and I think that is to our advantage."

The next three games will be the toughest string of games the Demons have played all season according to Goodwin.

"The three teams we're playing are comparable to Troy State and North Texas," Goodwin said. "And we beat Troy by four and lost to North Texas by three, so we're definitely on par with those teams. They should be similar-type games."

The biggest threat the Louisiana Tech offense will pose to the Demons is the passing game, and Northwestern's secondary has some question marks due to injury.

"We're kind of beat up in the secondary," Goodwin said. "It's the one area on the team that is suspect. We have two healthy corners, but at safety we don't really have anybody at 100 percent."

Terry Mills, Tony Echols, Troy Barnes and Jeff Myatt are all banged up, and Mills and Myatt aren't expected to be ready by Saturday.

The Demon offense will need another strong outing like the one Saturday to be successful against a tough Tech defense.

Laird, who bounced back after throwing three interceptions in the Demons' loss to North Texas, hooked up nine times for 109 yards with receiver Jared Johnston in Saturday's win. The nine catches is the third-biggest single-game reception total in Northwestern history.

Clarence Matthews led the rushing attack with 135 yards on 11 tries and had scoring runs of 30 and 50 yards. Northwestern's offense scored in six of its last seven possessions, including four in a row in the second half.

Southwest Texas trailed by 10 at the half and the Demons had to stave off a third-quarter rally when the Bobcats moved to within 20-17 after a 11-yard touchdown run by Donald Wilkerson.

Wilkerson, the nation's No. 2 runner going into the game with a 168 yard average, was held to 109 yards Saturday.

"In the first half we completely shut him down, but in the second half they blocked us a lot better," Goodwin said. "He still made some great runs of 3 or 4 yards when it looked like we had him stopped after one, but we kept him from breaking the big one."

The Demons play two of their last three games on the road, but road games haven't been a problem thus far for Northwestern. The Demons are 2-0 away from Turpin Stadium this year and are on a five-game road win streak.

## Hard at Work



**Defensive lineman Nathan Platt goes through drills as the Demons prepare to play Louisiana Tech Saturday in Ruston.**

# Platt anchors Demon defensive line

## Junior nose tackle says new defensive coordinator has played key role in turnaround for the defense

DAVID WEAVER
*Current Sauce*

The Demons are near the top of the standings this season for many reasons.

One of those reasons has been the defense, which has consistently performed at a high level every game.

Leading that defense is Nathan Platt, a 6-1, 260-pound defensive tackle who has been just one of several key performers for Northwestern this season. Platt, a junior criminal justice major from Orange, Texas, has recorded 56 tackles, seven of which were for lost yardage, and four sacks going into this week's game with Division I-A Louisiana Tech.

"I've worked hard to improve getting off blocks and making tackles," Platt said. "I'm not satisfied with my sack total so I'm continually working to improve my pass rushing techniques."

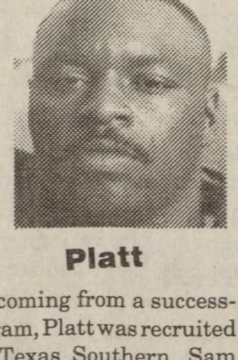
Platt, who started every game in 1993 as well as part of 1992, gives credit to first-year defensive coordinator Harold Wheeler for the defensive turnaround witnessed by the Demons this season.

"Coach Wheeler has made a big difference for us this season," Platt said. "He likes to keep things simple and we're not moving around as much as last season. On defense, if we all take care of our own assignments, we succeed."

Platt said the defensive line is the strongest area of the unit.

"We have gotten bigger and quicker on the defensive line," he said. "No one has really run the ball effectively against us all season, and, as a defensive lineman, I like to take pride in that."

Platt came to Northwestern out of West Orange Stark High School, where he was selected Class 4A All-State in 1990. He garnered All-District honors in both his senior and junior seasons, as well as leading West Orange Stark to a 37-4 record during his career there.



**Platt**

As a big name coming from a successful high school program, Platt was recruited by Northwestern, Texas Southern, Sam Houston State, Prairie View A&M and Stephen F. Austin. So why did he select the only out-of-state school with any interest?

"I was impressed with the number of professional players who have come out of Northwestern," Platt said. "I also felt I could step in and play a lot early on as well as just liking the campus here. I also thought the coaches here did a nice job of recruiting."

Platt said that playing professional football and joining the list of players such as Gary Reasons, Bobby Hebert, Mark Duper and Marcus Spears as Demon alumni, who have or are currently playing in the NFL, is not really a priority right now.

"Coming out of high school, the prospect of playing pro football gave me something to think about and something to shoot for," Platt said. "Right now, I'm just concentrating on getting my degree, and if the pros are in the future, that's great. If not, that's fine, too."

Platt sees no letdown in the Demons following the loss to North Texas Oct. 22, which dropped Northwestern into second place in the standings with a very tough conference schedule still remaining.

"We still believe that we have a great shot at going to the playoffs, as either the conference champion or as the runner-up," Platt said. "We are just concentrating on trying to win our last four games. We've got to keep going and not look behind us."

With Saturday's 41-17 win over Southwest Texas behind them, Platt feels the most crucial contest for the Demons will be the final home game of the season, Nov. 12, against two-time defending champion McNeese.

"We have to beat McNeese to keep our hopes alive, and that will be tough," he said. "We have a tough schedule the rest of the way. I think Stephen F. Austin has the most talent in the conference right now because of all the returning players they have. But we have to take care of ourselves and everything will be all right."

The key to a Northwestern season-ending winning streak and playoff appearance?

"We've got to stick together," Platt said. "If we keep our composure and stick with the game plan, we'll be there."

For the Demons, that means no mistakes. For Nathan Platt, that just means doing what he has done all season — work hard and continue to lead and anchor the Demon defensive line.

# Violent contact may result in early retirement for professional athletes

Violence is a word that is considered taboo in most sports these days. Most professional leagues have undertaken major crackdowns on the fighting and cheap shots that occur in their respective sports.

But the one sport that will never totally remove its violent nature is football. It is the one game in which aggravated assault will never become a crime between the white lines.

Collisions appear on a more-than-regular basis in the NFL every week. There is something about a bone-crushing hit delivered in a football game that actually entertains the fans.

**David Weaver**



For example, a wide receiver goes over the middle on a deep-in route and *BOOM!* The free safety usually provides the spectators with a sight that would chill most medical experts to the bone.

The effects of concussions, or bruises to the brain, on some football players have recently brought out some questions that, for the most part, had been swept under the NFL rug. For players such as Chicago's Merril Hoge, his answers to those questions are still a bit fuzzy.

Hoge was a fullback in his prime. After starting his career with the the Pittsburgh Steelers, Hoge signed as a free agent with the Bears in the off season. He was the kind of player who would stick his nose into anyone's chest and deliver crunching blocks in order to free the running back behind him.

After being forced into retirement by what is known as post-concussion syndrome, Hoge now spends his days at home He received a concussion in preseason and came back to start the regular season, where he received another in the second game. After weeks of tests and pain, Hoge was told by his doctors that he received four concussions in a little under two months time.

The next would be his last.

Hoge did what others before him had done — Hall of Fame quarterback Roger Staubach and former Jets wide receiver Al Toon had also been forced into premature retirements because of post-concussion syndrome, which is caused by too many blows to the brain in a short amount of time.

To illustrate what could happen to such a fine-tuned athlete, take for instance the following quote from Hoge during an ESPN interview the day of his retirement on Oct. 17:

"I'm hearing these doctors tell me this and I'm thinking that I don't want to turn 65 before I actually get there, that the aging process is fast enough and I don't want to speed it up and . . . (short pause) See? It's happening right now. . . I have no idea what you just asked me or what I was just saying. I've just blanked out. . ."

Scary? Think about this: Hoge says there are times when he has been talking to people on the phone and suddenly realized that there was no one there. Or, that on the sideline of the last game he played after receiving his final concussion, he was asked, "Where are you?"

"Tampa Bay," Hoge replied.

"How do you know?"

"I hear the ocean."

No big deal: except that the game was being played in Chicago and the Bears weren't playing Tampa Bay. Hoge had no idea that the "ocean" he was hearing was the ringing in his ears.

This has suddenly become a very serious issue in pro football. Hoge didn't retire because his love for the game had diminished, or because his skills had deteriorated. He retired to save his life — and that's about as serious as it gets.

## SPORTS TALK

Do players take blows to the head too lightly? The case of Dallas quarterback Troy Aikman makes one wonder.

Aikman was knocked out of the Cowboys' game last week against Arizona when linebacker Wilber Marshall unloaded a brutal (and illegal, in my book) hit on him. Aikman, long known for his toughness and bravery, stayed in the game to throw a touchdown pass on the next play, but soon found himself in the Cowboy locker room dazed and with a headache.

He had suffered a concussion — his fourth in five-plus years as the Dallas quarterback.

Aikman's concussions also seem to be bringing more painful symptoms. After suffering a blow to the head in last season's NFC Championship Game, he went the entire week leading up to the Super Bowl with painful headaches that kept him up all night during the week.

Aikman told NBC broadcaster Bob Trumpy that his head was still aching during pregame warmups the day of the Super Bowl.

The day after suffering the hit against Arizona this season, Aikman vowed to play in this past Sunday's game against Cincinnati. Team doctors ran numerous tests and cleared him to play.

However, the Cowboys are concerned enough about their franchise quarterback that they have decided Aikman will be tested regularly on his motor skills and thought processes.

The fear is that the best quarterback in football may be nearing the line where concussions start fighting back, and Dallas wants to take no chances.

So, football players indeed pay a price for making their millions. In the case of Merril Hoge, that price was his career and future.

For Aikman and the other current stars who have experienced concussion trouble that price is still yet to be set. One would certainly hope money and bravado don't take the place of good common sense.

## What's up Next for the Demons
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Conference: Big West

Coach: Joe Raymond Peace

Career Record: 33-37-4

1993 Record: 2-9

Last Meeting: 1987, defeated Northwestern 23-0

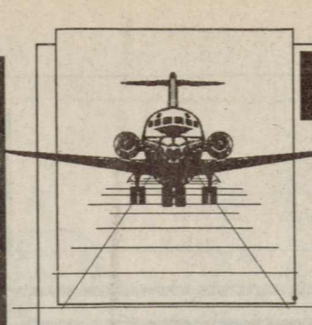
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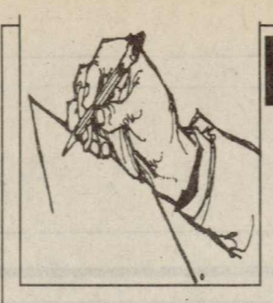
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# CurrentSauce



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# Lasorda speaks on importance of education

Mike Whitmire
*Current Sauce*

Education and self-confidence were among the themes Tommy Lasorda addressed on Thursday when he spoke as part of Northwestern's Distinguished Lecture Series at the Fine Arts Auditorium.

Lasorda, the manager of the Los Angeles Dodgers, was the second speaker the series has brought to the campus this semester.

Lasorda has been at the helm of the Dodgers for the past 18 seasons, and has been with them as a player, scout and coach for 45 years. Only the Miami Dolphins' Don Shula, who has been the head coach for 24 seasons, has a longer tenure as coach of the same team in all of professional sports.

After the lecture, Lasorda held a press conference before going to lunch at President Robert Alost's house.

He followed lunch with an informal meeting with students at the Cane River Room in the Student Union. In the meeting at the Student Union, Lasorda took questions from the audience and signed autographs.



Lasorda

The lecture, attended by people from all over the community and of all age groups, was directed mostly at the young crowd.

Lasorda stressed that an education was the key for success in the future, and talked about the importance of dedication to getting an education.

Knowing what you want, believing you can get it, working hard to accomplish it and sacrificing to achieve those goals was a large part of the speech.

He used his godson, Mike Piazza, as an example of this. Piazza was named National League Rookie of the Year in 1993 as a catcher for the Dodgers.

The catcher was just the fifth in Major League history to bat for a .300 average, hit 30 home runs and drive in 100 runs in the same season. He had trouble making it as a college player, and Lasorda had to persuade the Dodgers to draft him. Piazza was the 1,163rd player taken in the draft.

Lasorda also talked about his personal experience, going from being a third-string pitcher on his high school team to finally pitching in the Major Leagues.

The use of illegal drugs was also a focus for Lasorda.

"I would be remiss if I didn't tell the young people here not to use illegal drugs. There are only three things they can do to you," he said. "They hurt your mind, they destroy your body and lead you down the path of destruction. When someone offers you illegal drugs, it takes a better man to look him in the eye and say 'you've got the wrong guy' than to take the drugs."

He also said his father was the most influential person in his life, and discussed the importance of his family instilling faith in God at an early age.

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**NSU TO HOST SENIORS SATURDAY:** High School students from around the state will visit the campus Saturday to discuss academic programs, financial aid and student life. **PAGE 2**

**PROFESSORS' PAPER AWARDED HONORABLE MENTION:** Steve Horton, instuctor of journalism, and Penny Simpson, professor of business, will have their paper published in the April edition of the *Southwest Mass Communication Journal*. **PAGE 2**

**TOP DRAFT PICK TO SPEAK AT FCA MEETING:** Florida Marlin prospect Josh Booty, the fifth player selected in last season's Major League Baseball draft, will speak to Northwestern's chapter of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes at 12 p.m. Saturday at the Demon baseball field

### CITY

**PRESIDENT SIGNS SENATE BILL TO APPROVE HERITAGE AREA:** The signature of President Bill Clinton on a Senate Bill Wednesday approved the funding for the Cane River Creole National Historic Park and Cane River National Heritage Area. The bill was part of a three year study by the National Park Service.

### STATE

**LOUISIANA WINS NATIONAL PRESERVATION AWARD:** Louisiana received the National Preservation Honor Award from the National Trust for Historic Preservation during its conference Oct. 27. The award recognizes the $6.5 million restoration of the Cabildo located on Jackson Square in New Orleans. It was the 18th Century seat of Spanish colonial government and the site of the Louisiana Purchase transfer.

### NATION

**NUMBER OF WOMEN MED STUDENTS INCREASES:** A record-high 10,968 women applied to medical school this year. **PAGE 2**

**COLLEGE PRESIDENT MOVES INTO DORM:** A new resident moved into the dormitory at McKendree College on Oct. 16. And although he attended classes and participated in student activities, the new guy in the dorm was no student. He was James M. Dennis, president of McKendree College, who moved into Rm. 303 of Walton Hall for one week. "I wanted to see what living in one of our residence halls feels like," said Dennis, who became the president of McKendree College on July 1. "I'd like to get to know our students better, communicate more effectively with them, see what it feels like at 7 in the morning, see what the food tastes like in the dining hall, and participate in residence hall activities."

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## This Might Sting a Little...



Yolanda Chavis, a sophomore nursing major, was one of the many students who donated blood during the blood drive sponsored by Northwestern and Scholars' College last week in the Student Union Ballroom. The Louisiana Blood Center and the Blood Center of Southeast Texas facilitated the blood drive. Photo by Chad Sullivan

# Debate team holds its own despite youth

Northwestern State's debate team turned in another strong performance this weekend when it competed in a debate tournament at the University of Missouri-St. Louis.

The team of Sherry Barnett and James Roland was top-seeded after preliminaries in the junior division and advanced through octafinals and quarterfinals before being defeated in the finals. The team placed second overall and Barnett placed sixth in the special speaker category.

Sophomores Todd Garrison and Jeremy Talton also had strong showings. The team advanced to the quarterfinals round before falling to Southwest Missouri University.

Northwestern, which won the national debate championship last year, also did well at a tournament at Middle Tennessee State University two weeks ago.

The debate team's performance has been exceptional so far, to the surprise of many, including Todd Graham, the debate team's coach. Graham was especially happy with the tournament at Middle Tennessee State.

"This is a tournament where they only invite the best 16 teams in the country. The invitation was nice, especially since we are one of the youngest teams competing," Graham said, "No one really expected us to do that well with such a young team. We've got three sophomores and a freshman on the team. At most schools, they would be in the junior division with debaters of equal experience. Now they're competing with more experienced debaters."

The team of Garrison and Talton has emerged as one of the top 15 teams in the country. Garrison and Talton along with the team of sophomore Sherry Barnett and freshman James Roland advanced to the finals at Middle Tennessee, giving Northwestern the win. Barnett was named top speaker at the tournament. Talton, Garrison and Roland were fourth, fifth and sixth speaker respectively.

Garrison and Talton advanced to the semifinals at the Emporia State tournament where they lost 2-1 to Missouri - Kansas City. In that tournament, they defeated teams from Central Oklahoma and Michigan State in the elimination rounds.

The team of Barnett and Roland advanced to the elimination round with a 5-3 record and lost to a team from Michigan State.

# 'A Meeting of Minds'

## Scholars' Day attracts top La. recruits

Susan Kliebert
*Current Sauce*

Fifteen high school seniors and their parents visited Scholars' College for its fall Scholars Day, "A Meeting of Minds," on Friday.

They toured Scholars' College, sat in on classes and asked questions about the daily life of a student in Scholars' College.

Dr. Ray Wallace, director of Scholars' College; and Chris Maggio, director of Admissions, welcomed the students.

"We're here by accident," parent Donna Jester said. "We thought this was a Seniors' Day program. But, as the day goes on, we're more impressed with it [Scholars' College]."

Her daughter Jessica was also impressed with what Scholars' had to offer.

"I was impressed with the gender class I attended," Jessica said "It was hard for me not to put in my opinion."

After the welcome, the students had a chance to sit in on a regular Scholars' class. Their choices were a Texts and Traditions I class led by Dr. Darrel Colson and Dr. Grady Ballenger, a Scholars' College French class led by Dr. Lisa Wolffe, a biology class led by Dr. Curt Phifer, a Scholars' College pre-calculus class led by Dr. Betsy Cochran or a critical reading and writing, gender class led by Dr. Karen Cole.

After the class visitation, the students met with student panel for a question and answer session. Chuck Bradford, freshman humanities and social thought concentration; Carlton Downey, sophomore history and political science major; Katherine "Ren" Easterling, sophomore humanities and social thought concentration; Martha Epperson, Scholars' College sophomore; Jennifer Losabia, junior humanities and social thought concentration, and Garrick Rose, senior anthropology major comprised the panel.

Most visiting students were concerned with the seminar style type of classes at Scholars'. Classes are not a typical lecture type class, but are seminars with open discussions between students and teachers.

"We're all students when we sit down to discuss," Downey said. After this, the students went on a tour of Boozman Dorm, Scholars' College's honor dorm, and had lunch in Hanchey Gallery. The remainder of the day was spent in a financial aid and scholarships seminar and the students were interviewed.

"We're happy that we attracted so many great students from all over the state," Wallace said. "It looks like it's going to be another great recruiting year for Scholars' College and Northwestern."

# NSU accreditation process continuing

J. Manny Guendulay
*Current Sauce*

Northwestern is preparing for a reaffirmation of accreditation set for February 1996.

The Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, (SACS) evaluates the University comprehensively every 10 years to show that it maintains the quality of curriculum it offers in the college catalog. This process is called reaffirmation of accreditation.

The process of reaffirmation is more than a once-a-decade "dressing" measure. According to Dr. Virginia Crossno, director of Northwestern's bid for SACS reaffirmation, "It is an ongoing process for the University."

Crossno said the University has to keep up with what it proposed for the last reaffirmation and then produce a study of certain criteria to present to SACS.

"They come down and look at what we say we are doing and what we are actually doing," Crossno said.

A self-study is put together by a University-formed committee to give, as Crossno says, "a comprehensive look at the institution" that reviews over criteria covering University purposes, institutional effectiveness, educational support services, and administrative processes. Thus, the self-study gives an opportunity to give an overall look at Northwestern.

From this view, the University can make the proper adjustments to mold itself into a well-rounded institution of learning.

## Senior day set for this weekend

High school seniors and prospective college students can get an up close look at Northwestern on Senior Day Saturday.

University faculty and staff members will be available to discuss academic programs, financial aid and student life at Northwestern.

"We hope seniors and their families will join us for a fun-filled day that will give them an opportunity to sample life at Northwestern," Chris Maggio, director of Admissions and Recruiting, said. "We have an outstanding faculty that wants their students to succeed and staff people that will do everything they can to assist students. The best way to find that out is to come to the campus and see things for yourself."

Senior Day registration begins at 8 a.m. The program begins at 9 a.m. with orientation and a presentation on financial aid. After the program, students and their parents can meet faculty, have lunch and take a bus tour of the campus and downtown Natchitoches.

At 12:30 p.m, participants can either view campus dormitories or shop in the Northwestern bookstore. At 2 p.m., students and parents can attend the Northwestern - McNeese State football game.

Senior Day attendence is free. For more information, contact the Office of Admissions and Recruiting at 357-4503.

## Professors' paper gets honorable mention

Two faculty members, Penny Simpson of the Division of Business and Steve Horton of the Department of Journalism and Telecommunication recently presented a paper at the Southwest Education Council for Journalism and Mass Communication's 1994 Symposium in Flagstaff, Ariz.

The paper, entitled *Claims of Preservation of Natural Resources in Advertisements: An Experimental Examination of Their Effects*, received an honorable mention award for best paper at the conference.

The double-blind reviewed paper will be published in the April 1995 edition of the Southwest Mass Communication Journal.




**Journalism major Sylvia Fields and biology major Shane Miller completed internships at Disney World this summer. The internships were sponsored by Walt Disney World and the Office of Cooperative Education. Disney will interview for all positions for the spring semester Thursday Nov. 17 at 7 p.m. on the LSU-S campus. For more information, contact Co-op director Margaret Kilcoyne at 5721.**

## NSU to hold session for perspective students at LSU-A

Northwestern will hold an informational session for prospective students Tuesday and Wednesday in the East Room of the Student Union Building at LSU - Alexandria.

The session from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. is for students interested in completing their degree in Rapides Parish through Northwestern.

Faculty will advise students seeking degrees in the areas of secondary education and social work. Aviation science faculty will also be available to discuss new course offerings. For more information, call 487-5098.

## Prisoners scam UF in phone scheme

Although they were behind bars for a variety of offenses, inmates at a Michigan prison were getting away with murder when it came to dodging long distance charges.

Inmates at the Michigan Correction Institution were charging personal phone calls made from the prison to several University of Florida departments, which until recently, picked up the cost of the calls.

To make a "free" call, inmates used MCI's automated operator system to dial up the university. First, they would call a toll-free number to reach a MCI operator. They then would ask the operator to place a collect call to the university. The prisoners would tell the operators that they wanted some information about the university, but were disabled and could not dial directly, and that's why they needed to place a collect call. Well-meaning school personnel would accept the charges. Then, after a few minutes of conversation, usually about school-related topics, they would convince the employee that they needed to make another call and would ask the employee to forward their call to a different long-distance company, such as Sprint or AT&T.

After reaching the operator at the long-distance company to which they asked to be connected, the inmates would then ask to have a call placed to whichever number they chose. Since the charges were accepted by the university, and the connection was never broken, the university was billed.

When the school's accountants noticed the large amount of calls from the prison, they questioned employees from the various departments. And while the largest amount of transferred calls went through the UF College of Law, at least seven departments reportedly transferred calls.

After sending out memos warning university employees to use discretion when accepting collect calls, the school's telecommunications office contacted officials at the Michigan prison to try and correct the problem. The university is also considering blocking all incoming calls from that location, according to Andy Hulsey, telecommunications director.

Although the total cost of the transferred calls has yet to be released, Hulsey said it did total thousands of dollars. Each call cost the school between 18-25 cents per minute.

## Number of Women in Med School increases

Students are flocking to medical schools in record numbers, and they represent a more diverse cross-section of the American people, says a new report from the American Association of Medical Colleges.

This fall, 45,365 people applied to enter 126 U.S. medical schools, including a record-high 18,968 women.

Medical schools also received application from 5,060 students who are members of minority groups currently under-represented in medicine, including African-Americans, Mexican-Americans, Puerto Ricans and American Indians.

For the first time ever, enrollment of minority students topped 2,000, more than 12 percent of the 16,287 students in the 1994 entering class.

AAMC President Jordan Cohen said that the increase in minority students is the result of "Project 3000 by 2000," the association's national campaign to enroll 3,000 minority students annually by the year 2000.

"Through educational programs and partnerships with local school systems, high schools and colleges, the nation's medical schools have succeeded in increasing the number of educationally prepared minority students interested in careers in the health sciences, " Cohen said.

## Talking It up at the University of North Carolina

Joining the unlikely ranks of Suzanne Somers and Marilu Henner as new talk show hosts is B.J. Owens, a University of North Carolina student who thinks he has a gift for gab.

Owens will be starring in *Limelight*, a weekly series developed by UNC students that will focus on issues and personalities on and off the Chapel Hill campus.

"We think we have a chance to give UNC students an alternative to their regular programming," Owens, 19, said. "We're not going to try to beat Letterman or anything, but we still think we can put out a good show."

If Owens finds success on the small screen, he'll owe it all to the "guy down the hall" who came up with the concept, Frank Wang.

In addition to interviews with local personalities, the UNC students plan on doing various sketches on topics relevant to the university. The show will air at 8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday.

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# *The Diviners* to bring alive Great Depression at NSU


HANK CANNON
*Current Sauce*


The theater department will present James Leonard Jr.'s Depression-era play, *The Diviners*, Nov. 7-14 in Theater West of the fine arts building.

"It's an actor's play," said Dr. Jack Wann, head of the theater department and director of the production. "It doesn't have a lot of big spectacle or elaborate kinds of things. Although it's very theatrical, it's not elaborate . . . so everything depends on the actors. Their acting establishes the places and the time."

Unlike the season opener, Michael Bennet's *A Chorus Line*, *The Diviners* is an intimate, intense play where the action occurs almost in the lap of the audience.

Instead of being performed on the main stage, the play will be presented on a raked (raised) stage in Theatre West.

"I wouldn't want to get too much distance with this play," Wann said. "I think that we need to be right in the middle of the people."

*The Diviners* takes place during the 1930s in Zion, Ind., a small Midwestern town. The plot centers around a mentally-deficient 14-year-old boy named Buddy, played by Peter Schmidt.

"I think that the author had in mind, if it were just about Buddy, then it would just be called *The Diviner*, but it's the *diviners*. I think he thinks everyone in the play is seeking something," Wann said.

Buddy's mother drowned when he was a child, and he almost perished with her. As a result of this childhood trauma, Buddy is desperately afraid of water. He refuses to bathe, despite being infected with ring worm and other skin problems.

In direct contrast with his phobia, Buddy is a diviner, a person who can find water and use psychic abilities to trace its movements.

The people of the town use Buddy's talents to predict the weather and to find wells.

"He's just this 14-year-old with a 6-year-old mentality," Schmidt said. "He just wants to play."

However, the people in the town just won't let him play.

C. C. Showers, played by Thomas Ray, is a disgruntled preacher who has come to Zion to escape. He starts out as a mechanic, but when the people of the pastorless town get wind of his former profession, they put pressure on him to become Zion's preacher. Showers befriends Buddy. After a while, Showers wants to baptize Buddy, but disastrous results follow.

"He's 30 years old," Ray said. "He's spent his whole life preaching, and I think he realized after his dad passed away that that really wasn't what he wanted to do . . . He wants something, whether it be garage work, farming or what have you, but he wants to do his work that way to the Lord instead of being a preacher.

"He get's to this little town, Zion, and everybody tries to make him a preacher. It's kind of a struggle between what people want him to be and what he wants to be."

The friendship between Showers and Buddy is not the only action in the play. Many sub-conflicts take place between the characters and within the characters on a psychological level.

Ferris Layman, Buddy's father, played by Tony Arieaux, is a man who has been escaping through his work since the death of his wife and the subsequent dulling of his son's mind.

"He can't take the boy's suffering," Arieaux said. "It makes him hurt and brings back memories of his wife and he has a hard time dealing with it. In Ferris' life nothing is resolved because the loss never stops."

Jennie Mae, Buddy's sister, played by Jenny Kendrick, has to deal with herself. She growing up and must make important life choices.

". . . Ever since their mother died she takes care of Buddy and looks out for him but, she also needs to grow up and become her own person," Kendrick said.

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## Divine Inspiration



**C.C. Showers played by Thomas Ray inspires the disturbed Buddy Layman played by Peter Schmidt to overcome his fear of water in *The Diviners*. The play will run through Nov. 14.**

### Show Info.



Play: The Diviners

Date: Nov. 7-14

Place: Theatre West

Time: 7:30 p.m.

Ticket Info: 357-5819

# Students must discern experts from quacks

As previously affirmed, the intention of this writer is to report nutrition news as such information is acquired. This stands, of course, while continuing to widen the scope of research and hopefully becoming more proficient at communicating this information to the readers in an appropriate manner.

In this stage of growth I am grateful to have the means to clue others in on what is going on presently in the media with regard to nutritional health. Furthermore, I am fairly certain that my steadfast opinion will remain that the public should be made aware promptly of current events; and that this must be accomplished by

**Barbara McHenry**



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those who are perpetually perfecting their professionalism. Otherwise, we would have no overweight nutritionists, no smoking physicians nor *any* ministers of religion — many have been a credit to their respective professions despite their imperfections.

However, recent research of articles by registered dietitians, physicians and the public concerning the important issue of health quackery must be addressed. Readers should continually be advised whether information is an innovative idea from a scholarly journal, articles regarding scholarly results found in a health magazine, unproved but interesting concepts in a health magazine or merely the writer's opinion.

Americans should also come to the understanding that they must assume individual responsibility to discern if a professed nutrition health product or instruction should be used on their most prized possession — their bodies.

The first step to enlightenment is accepting the fact that, as long as America retains the right to free press and speech, the nutrition health information might come from:

(1) those who acquire expertise as a nutritionist:

(2) those who acquire and relay information accurately within the ethics of their profession;

(3) those who do not maintain a constantly ethical reputation in their field whether as a nutritionist, physician or writer;

(4) those subject to that margin of mistakes that is expanding as professionals get busier;

(5) those who feign the appearance of an expert — a "quack."

There is no getting around these possible factors in the public's pursuit for nutritional health. Moreover, factors in this aspect of life are no different than any other. We readily obtain information and products for the maintenance of our clothes, car or home. However, more is at stake for the consumer when it comes to the maintenance of one's body.

## Heads in the Clouds



**Flight team members pose in front of as Cessna used for practice flights. Pictured at left are team members (back row) Tony Brown, Brian Sajdak, Len Durr, adviser Louis Hitt and (front row) Louis Coco, Dean LeMoine, Micheal Hadi and Robert Dykes. Not pictured are Adam Jannik, David Camburn and Claude Croker.**

PHOTO BY JEFF FLETCHER

Aviation program offers students experience, fun

# NSU Flight Team takes off


MIRANDA COON
*Current Sauce*


The Northwestern Flight Team works to promote safety, professionalism and leadership while representing Northwestern in regional and national flight competitions.

The flight team is a part of the National Intercollegiate Flying Association. NIFA's purpose is to strive for safety and to help promote interest in aviation. Members of the flight team are not necessarily licensed pilots.

The team also hopes to promote interest and spirit because "not many people know about us," Len Durr, co-captain for the flight team, said.

Education is often used as a tool to help ease a person's fear of flying. Easing the fear begins with taking a person into the plane and showing that person every aspect of how the plane works.

"So many people get the fear-of-flying-phobia because of one airplane crash," Durr said. "They don't consider the three times as many people who die in automobile accidents on that same day in that same area."

The flight team also illustrates how safe flying can be. The team practices at the airport except when using the simulator in Kyser Hall.




The 10-member team will compete in a variety of aviation events in the 1994 regional competition Nov. 8-12 in Waco, Texas.

Precision events play a major role in this competition. Contests within the competition include precision flying, precision landing and precision approaches.

Another event includes simulated bomb drops. The flight teams will drop blank bombs as close to a designated target as possible.

Targets will be set up, and according to Durr, scoring is similar to that of the sport of golf — with the least amount of points winning. The more precise the bombing or landing, the fewer points will be awarded.

Another contest tests the pilot's ability within the cockpit. This preflight event involves pilots determining cockpit problems and preflight warm-up scenarios as created by judges.

Simulator events, in which pilots are seated in moving simulators, are used to reflect actual in-air situations.

According to Brian Sadjak, the flight team coach, if the flight team places in the regional competition, the members will have the opportunity to compete in the national competition in St. Louis, Mo., this spring.

Practices are every Tuesday at the airport. Any interested person can stop by the airport or contact Durr or Michael Hadi, captain of the team.

Members of the flight team include Tony Barn, Len Durr, Louis Coco, Louis Hitt, Dean LaMoine, Michael Hadi, Robert Dykes, Adam Jannik, DavidCamburn and Claude Croker. The team's advisor is Louis Hitt.

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**Our**View

# Survey Says...

## Campus dining offers mixed bag

Recently, ARAMARK, the service which runs Iberville Dining Hall, Vic's and Le Rendezvous, provided students with a survey so that they might express their opinions about the dining service. Because the official survey results are not in, we at the *Current Sauce* decided to publish our opinions on parts of the survey.

The first section of the survey involved food quality: variety, taste, eye appeal and temperature. The variety of food in the cafeterias is fair. Many different types of food are offered, but the variety is the same every day. Eventually, students become tired of everything on the menu. The food is usually appealing and the temperature is satisfactory.

The flavor quality of the food varies according to individual tastes of each consumer. Overall, the food taste is adequate — although sometimes it varies. A main concern, however, is the fat content of some food items. Some of the food contains far too much grease. When eating pizza from Le Rendezvous, for example, one must get extra napkins just to sop up the grease which puddles on the toppings.

*"Overall, the food taste is adequate--although sometimes it varies. A main concern, however, is the fat content of some food items"*

The next section of the survey evaluates service. We cannot say enough about the excellent service given by Margie Huddleston and the other cashiers in Vic's. In fact, the overall service in the campus dining facilities is very courteous. The staff is usually very quick to respond to problems and complaints that students may have.

The cleanliness of the facilities and the dishes and dinnerware leaves something to be desired. While the forks, knives and spoons are probably not unsanitary, they don't always look as clean as they could be.

Of course, the one aspect of campus dining that we would all change is cost. The problem is not just that some items, such as six packs of soft drinks, are extremely overpriced. The main problem is the method of payment which does not allow for a normal free enterprise relationship between the customer and service provider.

Most on-campus students must purchase a meal plan at the beginning of the semester. This money cannot be refunded in most cases, no matter how much credit is left on a card at the end of the semester. This means ARAMARK has no incentive to improve service to students. The food service does not have to compete for these students' dollars because these students' dollars are already spent even if the students chose not to eat on campus.

On-campus students should be given the option of declining a meal card —for any reason, and should receive refunds for unspent money. This would force ARAMARK to truly compete for student dollars and the quality of service would greatly increase.

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# Racism issue overblown in America



**Mike**Whitmire

## Always Right

Race relations have become a problem and a big issue in this country in the past few years, and most people seem to be happier bitching and moaning about it than taking care of it.

One of the main problems with the issue is that it has become too political. Political correctness has taken us backward a long way. People seem to throw the label racist around too often, and if it sticks, it can tar someone for life.

Too many people are willing to try and scare people into being divided.

Jesse Jackson is one of those trying to do just that right now.

He is out there telling blacks around the country that if they don't get out and vote, either Strom Thurman, Al D'Amato, Jesse Helms or Bob Packwood will be committee chairman in the Senate.

He says that when Newt Gingrich voiced his opposition to the Haiti Policy and said Haiti wasn't worth one American soldier dying for, that it was a "race bait."

Race was not a factor. It was one man stating his opinion on when or when not to put Americans in harm's way. That was it.

Jackson certainly knows how to heal and unify, doesn't he? Isn't Jackson the one that preaches hope over fear?

It seems to me Jackson is attempting to divide and scare, not heal and unify. Why are some blacks across this country bitching and moaning because a mentally deranged killer lied to the cops and said a black man did it?

Those people are apparently using an emotionally-charged case to tell everybody how the world is out to screw them.

The issue here is not who was accused of what. The issue is that two innocent children have been murdered by their mother. It was a horrible crime.

The focus needs to be on those two children, and the real victims of this crime--like the family.

Susan Smith is a murderer, and has no credibility with most Americans. Maybe she thought the police would buy her story if she said a black man was involved, but we know now the police saw through it.

The police hunted down and found the real killer. They didn't just say "well, she said a black man did it, so that must be what happened." The police pursued her as a suspect. They found the real killer. Murder is the issue, and not anything else. And murder is an issue that doesn't affect just blacks or whites or any race, it is everybody's problem.

Too many people try and jump on a hot-button issue to whip up support for their own purpose. There is no unification in that message.

As long as we have Americans who want to get on television and look at every issue as a black-white issue, we'll have tension between the races. You can't want a color-blind society and then go out and distinguish between people.

We've got the same problem with the O.J. Simpson case. We had people running around screaming there had to be a certain numbers of minorities on the jury.

Now we've got the jury, and I see whites running around screaming that there is only one white person on the panel. So what? Our jury system is not perfect, but it works with remarkable accuracy in most cases. It shouldn't make any difference if it was an all-black jury, an all-white jury, or all-anything jury. Who cares?

Somebody should have a little faith in Americans. People of any race can sit down and make a decision based on facts, and to say they cannot is to say, or at least imply, racism. The government of this country sets divisive policy.

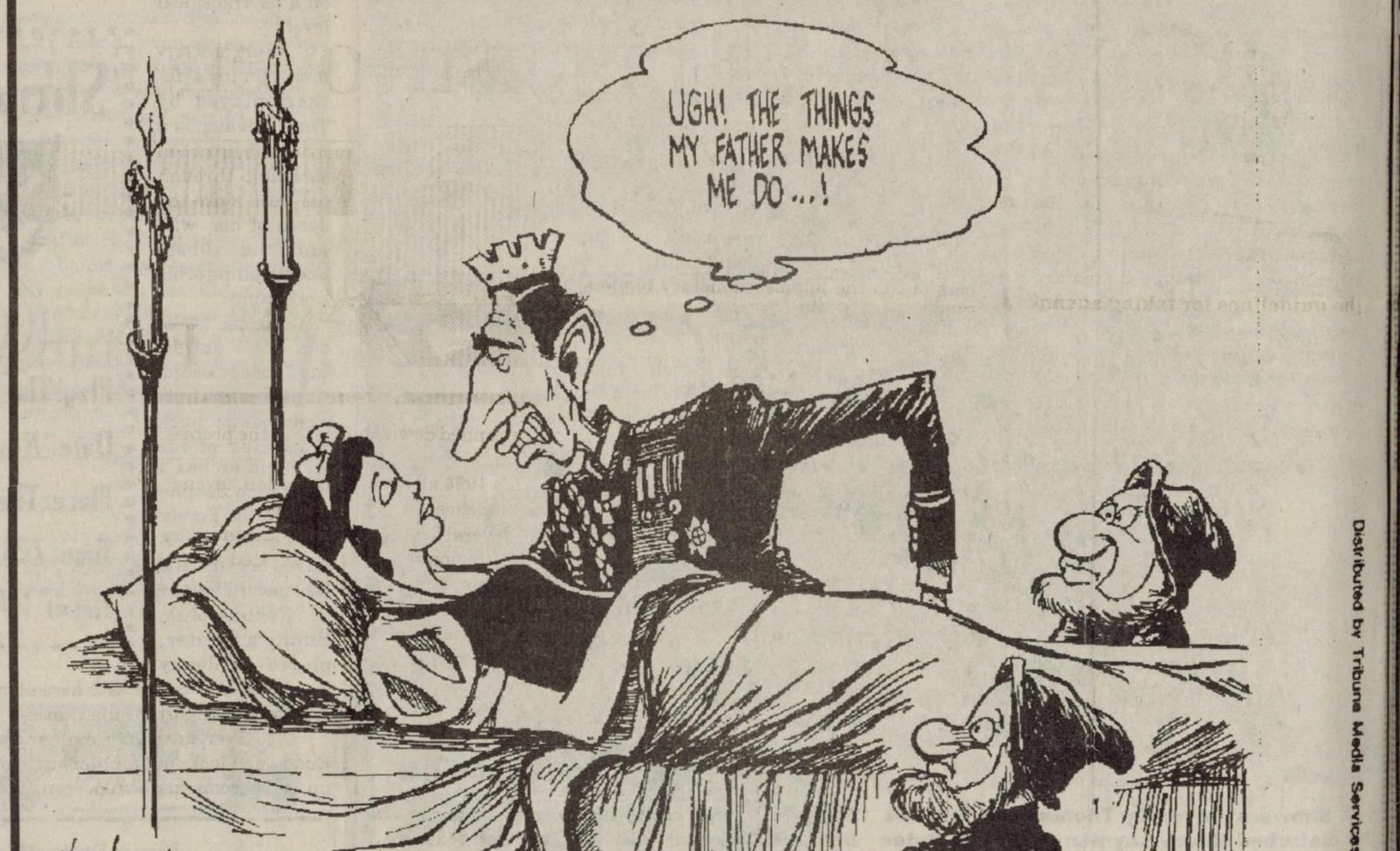
Affirmative action is racist, or sexist. If you set quotas, you automatically divide. It is automatic that people are discriminated against. It has to happen, it's the law.

If someone is hired or not hired because of the color of their skin or because of their sex, it is racist or sexist. So, we denounce racist and sexist behavior and then tell employers they must practice it.

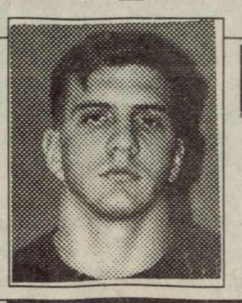
Isn't this flawed? This law tells us not everybody should have an equal chance.

Equality is what is sought, but equality is not what is achieved. Equality never will be achieved until people quit complaining about it being a "white" problem or a "black" problem. If it is a problem, it is a problem and that is it.

Obviously some racism still exists today, but the only reason for it is ignorance. I don't believe it is as bad as some make it out to be, and those who do the loudest crying are those who also do the most to divide instead of unify. Until we quit dividing, we will never solve the problem.




# $500,000 could be spent on more worthy projects than planting trees in parking lot



**Andrew**Martin

## The Bottom Line

With all of the changes involving beautification here on campus, one has to wonder exactly how much of our money is going in to all of these efforts. The last information I heard (from a very reliable source) was that it was costing us somewhere in the ballpark of $500,000. To me this is a grotesque waste of funds (on trees sunk in concrete that keep dying) that could be applied to more pressing issues on campus.

I understand the point of the mall that is being built between Kyser Hall and Williamson Hall. It is supposed to give students a place to socialize in between their classes. Fantastic idea, but how can you find time to socialize when you cannot find a place to park? The parking problem has been an issue as long as I can remember and I cannot help but feel that the money would be better spent on building another parking lot somewhere.

The administration party line is that there is plenty of parking down by the coliseum. Obviously the administrators of this fine institution have never had to walk from the coliseum when it was extraordinarily hot or cold, or when it was raining. I invite them to do so and then honestly tell me that it wasn't that bad and that they wouldn't mind doing it a couple of times a week. Parking is an issue the students would like to see addressed. We'd love to see a new parking lot or a shuttle between Prather and the main campus. Instead we get a mall. I feel that somehow or another we're not really coming first on this deal. Enough about parking, how about housing? When was the last time you sat in one of the dorms? I wouldn't send the furniture in Caspari to the flood victims in India (though rumor has it Caspari did get new desks). For the most part the dorms have a very unappealing prison aura about them. Rapides Hall is like something out of a post-apocalyptic prison movie. The only things missing are mutant guards and two headed patrol dogs, because they already have tortured souls being forced to live there. You cannot really blame the housing office for a lot of these problems because I'm sure they don't have even a fraction of $500,000 dollars to play with. Our living conditions aren't improving, but we do get a mall. Great, maybe we can live there.

*"Rapides Hall is like something out of a post-apocalyptic prison movie. The only thing missing are mutant guards and two-headed patrol dogs, because they already have tortured souls being forced to live there."*

It is very easy to find other things to spend that $500,000 on. Maybe we could enhance the library by buying some new books. I'm sure $500,000 could have paid for better lighting on campus so students would be safer at night. What about a weekend nurse (people don't just get sick on weekdays) or postal workers on Saturdays? The IM building could use some better equipment for student use. I think that maybe the SGA would have liked to have seen some of the money to fund a project or two. Perhaps more students would stay on weekends if the SAB had money for some kind of entertaining activity.

What about a phone registration system or a larger computer lab for students to use? But I'm pretty sure that the student body would rather have a mall than any of these things. No, maybe not, but who asked us anyway?

# Campus Forum

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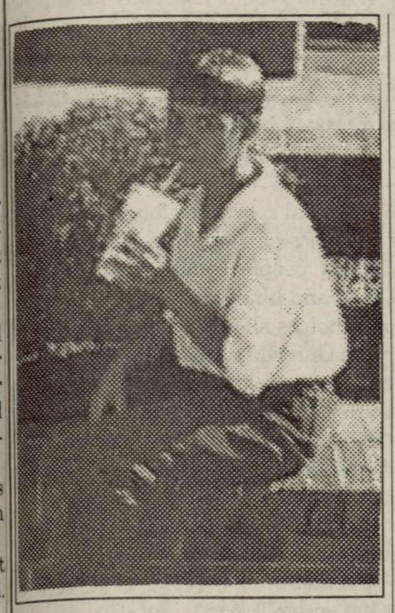
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## Current Quotes

### What is your opinion of ARAMARK food service?



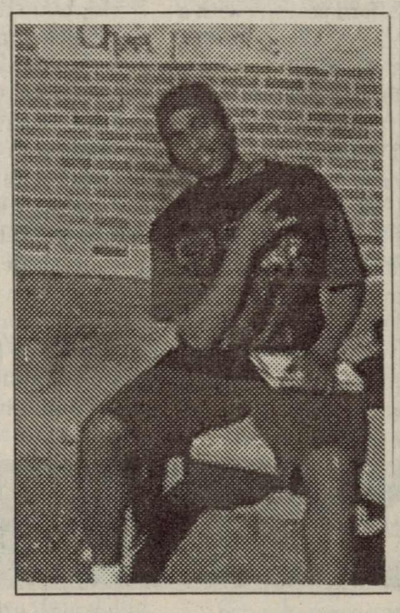
***Valerie Clark***
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I think the food is nice over here, but sometimes it runs expensive. But it's okay.



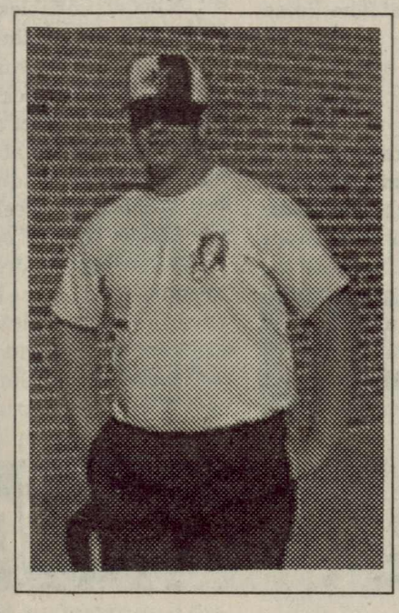
***Angela Hennigan***
***Senior***
***Journalism***
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I think the food is pretty good except that they charge entirely too high a price when you can eat other places and get just as good as food for the same amount or for a lot less.



***Eric Metoyer***
***Senior***
***Broadcast Journalism***
***Alexandria***

They claim that they buy the food because of the expensive equipment that they use, but if they are going to use the expensive equipment why hold a monopoly. Why can't we have some competition. What we really need is competition of the school. We need another form of a food place so we can eat for a reasonable price.



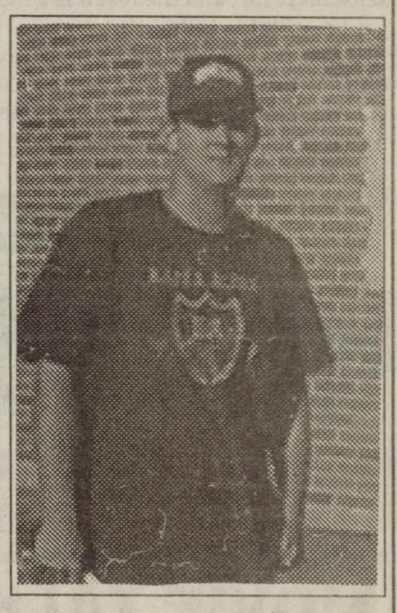
***Mark LeBlanc***
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I think first of all it's too expensive, you know for the little they give you. It's too expensive. You know besides that I really don't find it that bad, except for the high pricing. I eat over in Iberville and you have to make 80 trips to get enough to eat in one time. Besides that, it's not that bad.



***Elizabeth Appony***
***Freshman***
***Criminal Justice***
***Natchitoches***

I think the food services at Northwestern State University is very good. It was better than I expected it to be.



***Dan Helms***
***Sophomore***
***Nursing***
***Bonifay, FL***

I think the prices are too expensive. Service is slow and over at Iberville they need bigger cups because you have to make too many trips to get a drink. The food over there, I think something is in it, too much starch I think. They are just really slow.

## Forum Directory

**The Campus Forum page (formerly Op-Ed) was conceived as a part of the *Current Sauce* committment to giving Northwestern students a greater voice on campus. Explained below are the guidelines for taking advantage of this page.**

***Campus Connection***

The staff of the *Current Sauce* invites all campus organizations to send announcements for publication in Campus Connection. However, we remind organizations of the guidelines involved. Campus Connection submissions must be brought to Rm. 225 by noon on the Monday before Tuesday publication.

All submissions should be **less than 100 words** and should pertain solely to **meetings, announcements and upcoming activities**. Birthday greetings, congratulations and/or product advertisements should be submitted as paid classified ads.

***Letters to the editor***

Should be no more than 300 words and must include the signature of the author, the author's classification, major and phone number for fact verification.

***Forum Viewpoint***

This section provides students the opportunity to express their views in a column-type format. Each submission should be between 400-500 words and include the author's signature and phone No. We will take a mandatory photo of the author to be published with materials received. Columns must be written professionally and include no personal controversy.

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# Cries of racism overused in today's society



**Jonathan Tucker**

**Forum Viewpoint**

Well,I can't believe I'm doing this, but...it's time to defend one of the aspects of Greek life.

A few weeks ago,some Greekers got together and decided to raise a few bucks by loaning one of their precious "family" members out to the highest monetary bidders. Simple enough, eh?

Well,lately,I have listened to and read several complaints about this fund raiser, with the largest gripe coming from the Forum Viewpoint in a recent *Current Sauce*. These complaints are minor examples of what truly bothers me: crying racism.

Over 200 years ago, many blacks began to be used as cattle. There's racism. Over 100 years ago, slavery was abolished. Blacks were still lynched a lot, though. There's more racism. Over 50 years ago, great black leaders began to peacefully fight for equality. They reached their goal, but many blacks were gunned down and hung in the process. racism.

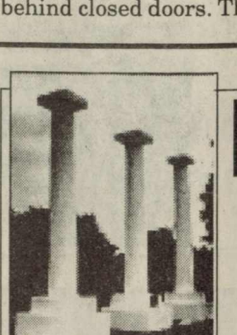
It's 1994 all around the nation...even in Natchitoches, La.

Several foolish whites run around glorifying a region that was dismantled around the same time as the abolishment of slavery;many rednecks whisper "nigger" behind closed doors. This isn't racism,folks, it's just stupid. Several foolish blacks shout "nigga" obnoxiously and clot around the doors and walkways of public places forcing frightened human beings to crawl around. I believe this demeanor is more of an insult to "African-American forefathers" than some silly auction.

Perhaps if I made up a similar scenario, it would be easier for all of the finger-pointers to understand: "It's Nov. 1, 1994. Hundreds of years ago my great-great-great-great-great- grandfather died of tuna poisoning. The tuna killed his dog, too.

Today, I resent tuna. I stubbed my toe last week... it was the tuna's fault." The story is grossly exaggerated, but maybe it proves my point: some African-Americans have the apathetic nature of shouting racism upon their misfortune or disgust. (By the way, perhaps the name should be changed to simple "AMERICANS".)

I believe we all have some "bad medicine" to take: put up or shut up. It may seem as if I'm attacking blacks.I'm not. It's just that I see no other members of so-called "minorities" today which still fume over past events. Hey...equal opportunity is given to 85 percent of ALL AMERICANS. Maybe we should all take advantage of it, instead of sitting back and blaming the tuna.



**Your View**

**Letters to the editor**

Brian Hirst
*Student Activities Board*

This letter is in reference to the article written by Andrew Martin, and printed last week in the *Current Sauce*. The author begins by voicing his displeasure with a previous article that negatively labeled Greeks as elitist, and then for some reason attacks the Student Activities Board.

Mr. Martin states "the SAB is the only major student service organization on campus whose members are not popularly elected." False.

The SAB representatives at large file along with SGA members for campus wide election each and every spring. The other chairperson and executive positions are selected by board members, but those positions are almost always filled by reps. at large who have been popularly elected.

Interviews of students applying to be new members only occur when vacancies are open due to graduations, resignations or an insufficient number of students filing for openings. Mr. Martin also claims the SAB fails to survey Northwestern students to find out what they want. Wrong again.

Several surveys have been given to orientation classes, and more are planned to recognize student needs. In addition, all SAB meetings are open to the students. I encourage everyone to come voice their opinion.

Finally Mr. Martin attacks the Tim McGraw concert. Right! Nearly 3000 students attended, and 2500 locals paid at the gate. The SAB presented a completely sold out show.

Two years ago when I was dissatisfied with campus life, and realized that the best course of action was not to "have a Coke and a smile and shut-up," I joined the SAB, and volunteered my time to make things better. Mr. Martin, I suggest you get involved too.

Mr. Martin, stick to your point. Why don't you defend the Greeks? Don't drag the SAB into the argument, especially with misinformation.

## Campus Connection

**Sigma Kappa**

The ice cream party is 2 p.m. Tuesday. Admission is one toy for Maine Seacoast Mission.

The Rock-A-Thon is 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Wednesday at Super Wal-Mart.

Members will sell lollipops in the Union from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday. At 2:30 p.m. members will decorate the nursing home. Adopt a grandparent is 3:30.

Sunday's formal meeting is at 7 p.m. We are voting on new offices. New initiates and pledges must attend Reatha's mandatory meeting at 5 p.m. Sunday in the Union. Panhellenic Greek Day Out tailgating is at 1 p.m. Saturday before the game. Wear your letters.

**Sigma Sigma Sigma**

Go support our volleyball team at 5 and 7:15 p.m. Tuesday in the P.E. Majors Building. Spirit and Public Relations committee will paint signs at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday at the house. Our exchange is still with Theta Chi on Thursday evening. Someone will call to tell you the theme. Greek Day out is 1 p.m. Saturday. And lastly, Parent's Day is Sunday 1 to 5 p.m. at the country club. Don't forget about your study hall hours this week.

**Blue Key**

Blue Key will meet at 6:30 Thursday in Rm. 321 of the Student Union. Members are reminded of our attendance policy so please be there unless you have a valid excuse. Thanks to those members who helped with the Lecture Series Thursday. It was a real success. The blotter will be ready to distribute soon so be on the lookout. We only have two meetings left this semester so please make every effort to attend if possible.

**Alpha Phi Alpha**

The Theta Chi chapter of the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity will sponsor a fundraiser from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. today in Prather Coliseum. The fundraiser is a basketball game entitled *War on the Wood*. Admission is $1 or a can good. All proceeds go directly to the SAB can-good drive.

The game will be between Alpha Phi Alpha and Phi Beta Sigma fraternity. The game will begin at 7:30 p.m. consisting of two 20-minute halves. During halftime Zeta Phi Beta and Delta Sigma Theta will each perform a five minute step routine on the stage.

**Science Club**

In honor of national chemistry week, Nov. 6 through 12, the Science Club is hosting the American Chemical Society satellite seminar, *Elements of your Chemistry Career*. Anyone interested in learning about a career in chemistry is invited. The seminar will be shown at 5:30 p.m. Thursday in Rm. 149 Kyser Hall. For more information call Kelly at 5747 or Shane at 352-0552.

**Brown Bag Musical Lunch**

The Main Street Project and the Natchitoches Arts Council will sponsor a Brown Bag Musical Lunch from 12:15 p.m. to 1 p.m. Nov. 15 at the Natchitoches Arts Center, 716 Second St.

The NSU Woodwinds Quintet will provide the music.

**NAFCS**

NAFCS will meet at 2 p.m. Thursday in the Alumni Room of the FCS building. Janey Barnes from Student Support Services will discuss changing social values and single parenthood in the 90s. We will also select secret pals for our Christmas party. A dedication of the FCS building will take place immediately following the meeting. Photographers will be present.

**Phi Mu**

Don't forget the sisterhood activity will be tomorrow. Aerobics will be at 4:30 or 8 p.m. in the IM Building.

Greek Day Out Rally in the Alley is at 1 p.m. Saturday. Wear your letters. Greek Challenge is Sunday. Actives be there at 3:30 p.m., pledges must attend at 5 p.m.

Support your Phi Mu sisters in IM volleyball at 6:30 and 7:15 p.m. Today in the P. E. Majors Building.

All catfish money will be due Sunday. Remember Sunday's meeting at 7 p.m. will not be formal.

Let us know what you think. Write a letter to the editor!

# *Frankenstein*: The good, the bad and the ugly

Kenneth Branagh and Francis Ford Copolla have brought Mary Shelley's *Frankenstein* to life, and the result is a horrific, yet breathtaking film.

The film begins with a ship wrecked crew, lead by Captain Walton (Adian Quinn), lost near the Arctic Circle meeting a near-death Dr. Victor Frankenstein (Kenneth Branagh). The captain takes Frankenstein into his cabin and from there we begin to learn the doctor's reason for being so far north, and the source of the awful howling sound in the distance.




Frankenstein tells the story of his life and his creation of a being that is according to him, absolutely evil. His story details the events that lead him to try and recreate life, and why he has now come to the ends of the Earth to destroy what he has created.

From the moment the film begins, Branagh paints a picture of the life of Victor Frankenstein that draws viewers into a tale of passion, life and an ill-fated attempt to conquer death. I must warn you, however, this film is not for the faint at heart (no pun intended). Some scenes are quite graphic and disgusting, namely the creation of the "monster" and the death and recreation of Frankenstein's love, Elizabeth.

Branagh does a wonderful job of creating a superb film that is full of suspense, surprises and unexpected horror. This is a film that will keep you on the edge of your seat from start to finish.

However, there is more to this film than horror and gore. The film also showcases wonderful performances by some of the most respected actors in show business.

Branagh portrays Victor Frankenstein, the creator of the "monster," with great vigor. Robert DeNiro is hypnotic as the creation who turns out to be more than his creator bargained for, and Helena Bohnam Carter is stunning as Frankenstein's beloved Elizabeth. Also starring as Frankenstein's best friend and colleague, Henry Clerval, is the energetic Tom Hulce.

The actors do an excellent job of bringing the feelings and motivations of their characters to life. In this version of Mary Shelley's *Frankenstein*, it is easier to develop an understanding of the characters and their actions.

In this film, DeNiro makes the creature he portrays more than just a monstrous killing machine, he's a loner who has been completely rejected by mankind and who longs only for companionship. Branagh's Frankenstein is not a raving lunatic, but rather a man who has lost loved ones and wants to find a way to keep it from happening again, and Carter's Elizabeth is a woman who passionately loves her fiancee' and wishes to understand what it is that he is trying to do, and why he cannot tell her. The lives of the characters and their tragedies are interwoven and the story itself is quite magnetic.

Of course, some purists will not be satisfied with the alterations made to the story, but personally I feel they add to, not detract from, the tale. This film's version of Elizabeth's murder, and the events happening afterward, are much more chilling than those of Shelley's novel. For those of you offended by the changes, I can only say accept the film for what it is, and enjoy it.

Branagh' version of Mary Shelley's *Frankenstein* is one of the most memorable films I have seen in a long time, and I recommend it to anyone looking for a great film with a lot of excitement, energy and suspense.

**MOVIE TALK**

# The Press Box: popular hangout for NSU students

Troy Dean Conkle
*Current Sauce*

Where can students find refuge in Natchitoches when they are hungry, bored and broke? Down Mill Street at The Press Box.

Entering The Press Box is like taking a walk down Natchitoches and Northwestern sports memory lane.

Named after a tiny sandwich shop, The Press Box is owned and managed by Corwyn Aldredge Jr. and wife Missy, who found the name while attending college at Mississippi State.

With sports memorabilia as the main decor, students can view many pieces of sports history. These include three jerseys used in Super Bowls from the Philadelphia Eagles, Pittsburgh Steelers and New York Giants, an autographed jersey once belonging to Jim Plunkett and a jacket worn in the Olympic Games by silver medalist Natasha Brown. In addition to prized possessions, The Press Box has had the honor of feeding the Dallas Cowboys' cheerleaders.

Most of the tables afford patrons with a view of one of the many televisions. All this for your sports viewing pleasure.

People come back for more sports, food, and activities, a fact attested to by the big crowds most nights at The Press Box. Much of the attraction also comes from drink and food specials all week long including the now famous "Big C" on Tuesday nights.

According to Aldredge, college students are important, and he knows times are hard, which is why specials are run every time the doors are open. Mondays play host to Monday Night Football during the season with a 10 ft. TV screen. During the game, T-shirts and hats are given away. Red beans and rice for $1.99 and two-for-one draft beer deserve big cheers.

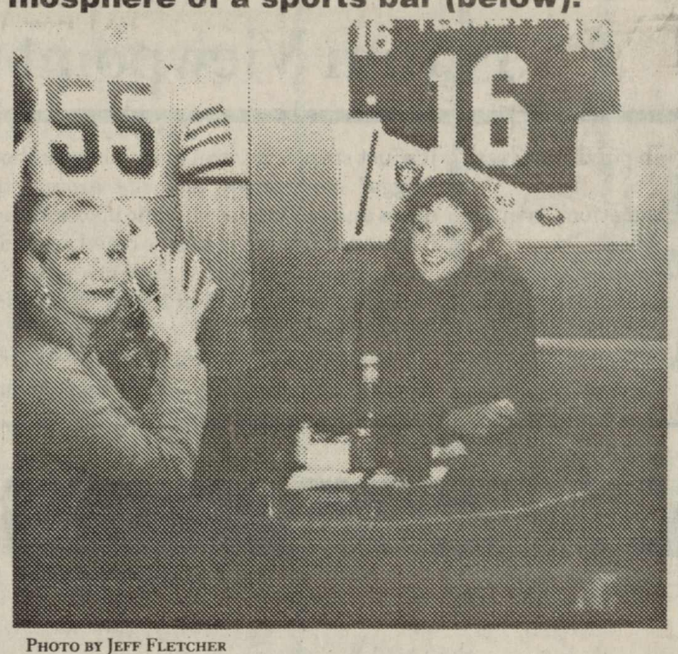
Tuesday nights are reserved for the "Big C." Students can bring the team, club or party and eat for under $2 each.

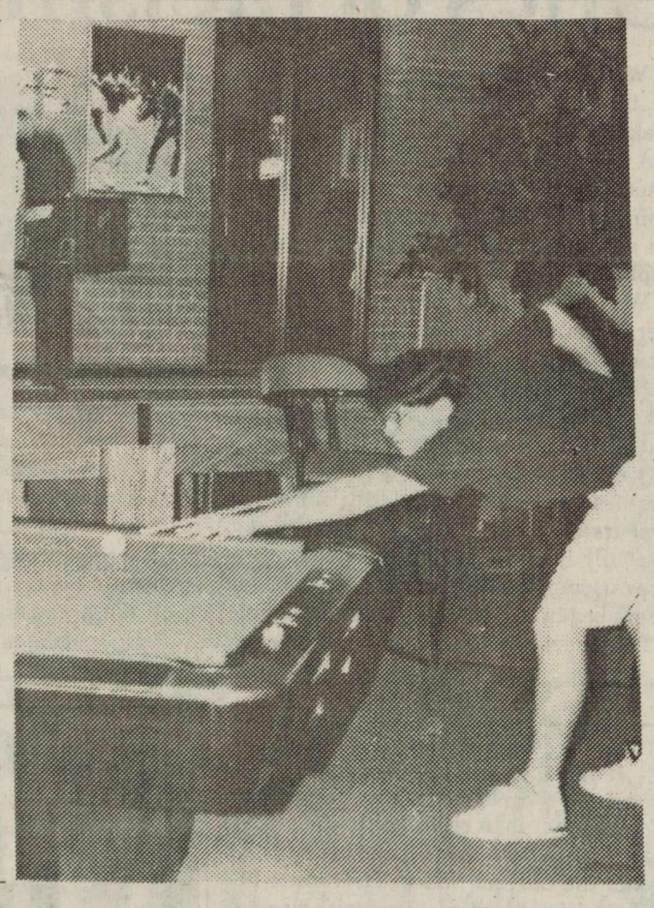
Light up the night on Wednesdays with a disc jockey and light show. Wednesdays allow students two-for-one drinks and no cover charge. On Thursdays, students can reel in a large fish platter and a trip to the salad bar for only $4.99.

After a long week of classes and homework, students can find The Press Box alive on Fridays and Saturdays. Along with drink specials, students will hear a live band, disc jockey or even a comedian. They can dance, eat, drink, play a game of pool or socialize with friends. Televisions allow them the option of watching live boxing matches, ball games and other specials, too.

## ImPRESSive Features







**The Press Box, located on Mill Street, is one of the most popular hangouts for Northwestern students. The restaurant boasts a fully-stocked bar (above) and a nice gameroom (right). All of this is presented in the elegant, yet lively atmosphere of a sports bar (below).**

Photo by Jeff Fletcher

# The Press Box offers food, fun -- for a price

Troy Dean Conkle and Lisa Holt
*Current Sauce*

Your typical sports bar food is, let's face it, fair. The Press Box, like many sports bars, keeps people coming back for the sports, food and libations.

Food choices should begin with an appetizer, the Onion Magnolia ($4.99), a sweet onion cut like a magnolia flower, cooked in batter and served with honey mustard sauce. A delicious starter, and good for your breath. One might chooses one of the newer appetizers such as hot wings ($4.29), 14 chicken wings battered and fried. These come to your table hot or mild.

The lunch choice was the club sandwich ($4.99), turkey and ham with very fresh vegetables on toasted bread. The lunch menu or lite menu is served daily between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. It features salads, baked potatoes and sandwiches, all reduced portions at reduced price. The dinner menu has every type of food imaginable.

**Press Box Top Picks**

Hot Wings: $4.29

Club Sandwich: $4.99

Surf and Turf: $17.99

Key Lime Pie: $1.99

The dinner or regular menu is full of sandwiches, poboys, steak, pasta, chicken and salads.

My choice the Surf and Turf ($17.99), a deep fried shrimp and a 10-ounce Rob served with a baked potato and hushpuppies. The shrimp were delicious and cooked to perfection. The steak I (Conkle) requested to be cooked medium rare was overcooked and not very tasty. Then again, you shouldn't come to a sports bar for a steak. All in all, a fair meal.

My drink for the night was a Coca-Cola ($1. 29). The only reason I bring this up is to inform you that if you plan on having a Coke it's $1.29 for the first, and 29 cents for each refill. I suggest you drink water or tea, something you can refill for free. Now for my final indulgences.

Several deserts are available, but they are not shown on the menu. I suggest the Key Lime Pie ($1.99). This pie was delicious, be sure and ask for it.

If you're going to go to The Press Box for sports and libations, expect a fun filled sporting atmosphere. If you're going to eat, bring an open mind and wallet. After all, this is a sports bar and the food is, well, fair.

# *Star Trek* course explores new universes

Marco Buscaglia
*College Press Service*

OLYMPIA, Wash.—Fifty-two students at Evergreen State College are going where few have gone before.

The college is offering a *Star Trek* course, and despite notions of "Vulcan 101" and "Klingon: Friend or Foe?" the class is hardly the stuff of science-fiction fluff, according to its instructors.

"We're not teaching *Star Trek*. We're teaching various disciplines and using *Star Trek* as the basis for example and analysis," Carrie Margolin, one of the course's three instructors, said. "We use segments from both television series and the films to make the academic connections."

The Evergreen catalogue defends the use of *Star Trek* as basis for the course by stating that the show "has provided metaphors for the study of a variety of important contemporary subjects, including anthropology, artificial intelligence, space travel, psychology and social development."

And while tying the various topics together seems like an ambitious venture, it is nothing new for teachers at Evergreen, where the curriculum is built on a system of interdisciplinary studies. Students take one course per quarter, which is broken down into various modules.

"What comes out in the curriculum depends on who wants to teach what," Margolin said. "We try to find common topics and then the instructors will come up with a plan to create a course of study."

"Where No One Has Gone Before," the *Star Trek* class, was born when faculty member Argentina Daley visited Margolin's office two years ago and noticed her *Star Trek* poster. "We both realized we had this mutual appreciation of *Star Trek*," Margolin said. "From that point on, we started talking about a way to tie it into a class."

The class is broken down into modules of cognitive psychology, screenwriting and animation culture. Students in the class spend one day a week viewing scenes or episodes that will later be used as a reference point for material discussed in class. And while the material may seem diverse, students in the class say the use of the science fiction classic helps them tie it all together.

"I was impressed with how they integrate the different areas into their teaching," Barry Buck, student, said. "*Star Trek* is the catalyst for the retention of some very difficult concepts. It helps the material we discuss seem very real, not like just something out of a textbook."

Buck says he's an avid *Star Trek* fan and that he knew he had to take the class as soon as he saw it offered. "Being a fan of the series and the movies, I thought it would be interesting to look a little further into some of the material," Buck said. "I'm sure you could take almost any film or television series and use it as a reference point for certain topics, but the fact that *Star Trek* is science fiction brings the material to a different level. You are confronted with concepts you don't think about in everyday life."

And while the concepts are diverse, *Star Trek* is the unifying theme that ties them all together.

COLLEGE LIFE



# Natchitoches prepares for annual Christmas festival

Shakira Baldwin
*Current Sauce*

The annual Natchitoches Christmas Festival is just around the corner and preparations for the festival have already begun.

The festival, which is in its 68th year, has been part of a long-standing tradition for the city. According to Robert DeBlieux, coordinator of festivals, the Natchitoches Christmas Festival is believed to be the longest running Christmas festival in the South.

The activities have been a continuing festival for the majority of the 68 years, only being discontinued once for four years during World War II. Throughout the years of the festival improvement and expansion have been goals for the future.

"We would like to see the festival expand and become more than just one big day," DeBlieux said. "We would like to see activities that occur throughout the month of December that continue to promote the Christmas spirit."

Several activities include the opening of the Santa House on the Saturday night of the festival, which is located on the downtown riverfront. Booths will serve hot cocoa and funnel cakes on the riverbank for those who like to stroll and view the lights.

The festival will again host the lighted barge parade which takes place on Christmas festival weekend. The parade highlights pleasure boats decorated with Christmas decorations and lights.

"This year we are really emphasizing the lighted barge parade and encouraging more people to come out and enjoy this parade," DeBlieux said.

A major preparatory part of the Christmas festival is the selection of the festival poster and theme. According to DeBlieux the theme is something that reflects the city and how important the festival is to the traditions of Natchitoches. The Natchitoches Arts Council sponsors a competition for themes to accompany the various posters. The contestants submit drawings, and the Natchitoches Arts Council makes a final selection.

This year 70 entries were submitted and John Shamburger, a student and local artist, will design the poster. According to Shamburger, the poster is designed around a preselected theme, "Natchitoches, a Christmas Treasure."

"This year's Christmas festival poster depicts the image of a little girl in a red dress under a magnolia tree opening a treasure chest," Shamburger said. "Inside the chest you see Christmas lights sparkling through the leaves of the trees behind the riverbank."

"The theme and the poster easily demonstrate how important the festival is to the city," DeBlieux said. "The importance and pride the city takes in the festival is apparent by the organization and efficiency the festival committees and volunteers put forth."

According to DeBlieux, for the first time the festival will have its own tee-shirt. Eight booths will sell the shirts and Cocoa-Cola products throughout the downtown historic district. DeBlieux said that all of these activities are efforts by the festival to gain independent monetary support to sustain the festival without burdening the city with the costs.

# Old Glory flies again at Swarthmore College

Marco Buscaglia
*College Press Service*

SWARTHMORE, Pa.--The U.S. flag is once again flying over Swarthmore College., and like the original saga of the Stars and Stripes, this unfurling didn't take place without a fight.

Last April, members of the Conservative Union, a new Republican student organization on campus, donated a flag to fly above the Swarthmore administration building. Although the school had an American flag flying atop the athletic fieldhouse, Old Glory had been missing from the center of campus since the 1960s.

After Swarthmore President Al Bloom accepted the Conservative Union's offer, the flag was set to be hoisted above Parrish Hall.

But that was before the protests poured in.

The College Democrats objected to the move, saying that the action seemed to imply that the Republicans had a lock on patriotism. The Socialist Political Action Collective said the decision to raise the flag was another example of American imperialism. Some international and minority students objected to the flag itself, saying it symbolized oppression in foreign lands and at home. Finally, some students objected to the flag-raising decision, saying it was not decided on democratically by the student body.

"The whole protest really surprised me," Geoffrey Cline, president of the Conservative Union, said. "We figured we were doing something good by donating the flag to our school."

But Ben Stern, a member of Swarthmore's College Democrats, doesn't see it that way. "The flag donation was part of a week of activities by the Conservative Union, and it really came off as 'their' symbol, not everyone's," Stern said. "We just felt that the flag should be a non-partisan symbol. It's something that shouldn't be so closely associated with the Conservative Union or even the Democrats for that matter. It's a symbol for everyone."

Still, last spring, Bloom decided to put the flag up, which was raised during a ceremony that involved students from all political parties.

But during the summer, someone snagged the flag.

"We had nothing to do with it," said Stern. "I came back to school, and the flag was gone. And just as the debate began to heat up again this fall, Matthew Schenk, a senior majoring in English, came up with a plan to appease all sides.

"As I was following the protest, I realized that no one was really doing anything about it," Schenk, a member of the Conservative Union, said. "Everyone was talking, but nothing was getting done."

Schenk organized a student vote on the question of whether the flag should fly above Parrish Hall. During the last week of September, he set up a table in the campus dining hall and polled students on their opinion. And despite his affiliation with the group that donated the flag, Schenk said he wasn't that concerned with the results.

"I just wanted to see the issue resolved," he said. "It was getting pretty old."

With about half the student body participating, the flag won 376 to 239 and went up shortly after.

"I'm glad to see it there," Schenk said. "I sense that there's a real lack of understanding about the good and positive things about this country, and I'm happy to know that there are more people who are proud of this country than those that are ashamed of it.

"People are pretty active here at Swarthmore, so I am happy that we had a legitimate discussion about the flag before putting it up," he said. "I'm glad it's there because it shows that the process is more important than the product.

## Out of Uniform



**Carla Cassiola, Shannon Strother, Shannon Woodson and Celia Williams were among the nursing students at the Northwestern campus in Shreveport to participate in the Student Body meeting on Halloween day.**

NSU LEISURE ACTIVITIES

INTRAMURAL TEAM BOWLING



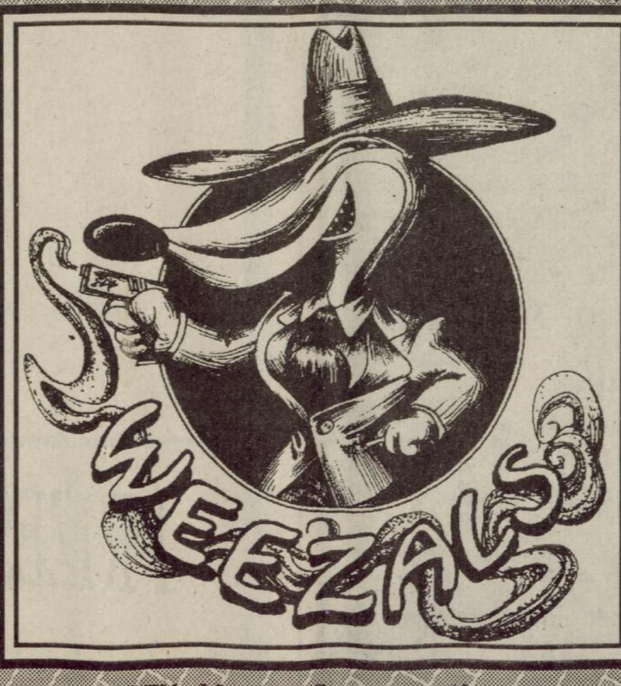
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# Veterans to be honored Friday for patriotic service

**HOLIDAY HISTORY**

DAWN VALLERY
*Current Sauce*

Veterans Day, once called Armistice Day, honors all those who served our country during war and peace time. Veterans Day is celebrated on Nov. 11, the anniversary of the armistice that ended World War I in 1918.

The name was officially changed when President Dwight Eisenhower signed a bill in June 1954 to recognize *all* the ranks of men who marched in the parades and had marched for their country.

Natchitoches veterans won't be participating in any parades, but the veterans will be selling poppies and speaking to local groups.

Veterans of Foreign Wars and American Legion groups will be at Wal-Mart on Friday to sell poppies, and all money will be used for hospitalized veterans.

Also, both groups will attend Lakeview and Natchitoches Central high schools to make the students aware of who they (the veterans) are. This will allow students to ask questions and find out anything they want to know about veterans day.

Charles Huggins, a member of the VFW and the American Legion, will speak to the Employment Office and Natchitoches Technical Institute on Thursday. The ROTC from Natchitoches Central High School will participate in the ceremony at the Employment Office.

Huggins is a life member of the VFW and the American Legion. He is a retired U.S. Air Force chief master sergeant, and a past commander for the American Legion for the past five years. He is also in charge of the Veterans Assistance for Natchitoches Parish.

"What we are doing is great. We have been getting a lot of attention. I feel it is great for the POW's ... the veterans from the Korean and Vietnam wars are finally getting the recognition they deserve."



**Jeremy Broussard (left), a junior journalism major, takes a moment to reflect at the Vietnam Memorial in Washington D.C.**

# DIVINERS: Play portrays faces on 1930s depression in America

"It's naturalism," Wann said, "but because it took place during the Depression there's a tendency to make it grim. It isn't.

"These people don't have anything. But because nobody has anything you don't notice it so much."

The play is laced with comedic interactions.

Norma, played by Ginger Hensley, is a religious fanatic who is always trying to tame her wayward niece Darlene, played by Kim Howard.

". . . She is so fanatical that she doesn't realize how silly she's being," Hensley said. "She sincerely believes everything she says. She also tends not to notice things that are right in front of her face."

"She's a rebellious little girl," Howard said. According to Howard, Darlene was resentful that her family left her in Zion.

"She would probably run off with any man who came along," Howard said. "It's a fun role."

Melvin Wilder, played by Jeff Williams, is the bad boy of the town. He and his sidekick Dewey, played by Ryan Glorioso, are in cahoots with the rebellious Darlene.

"He's a comic role," Williams said. "He's kind of a comic relief. Melvin, on the serious side, is a disbeliever, he doesn't believe in any of the spiritual stuff that is going around. He got sent through basic training two times. He's a bad influence and that's what he trying to do with Dewey. He's a bad guy. He's a funny bad guy."

Glorioso also explained his part as a fun role.

"He's a young, naive person," Glorioso said. "He's very impressionable. He's always trying to learn new things from Melvin."

Outside the volatile conflicts are characters that will give the audience a sense of stability.

Basil, played by Ivory Simon, is a mystical figure who tries to help everyone find his or her proper path in life. He is Dewey's mentor in spiritual activities.

"He's like the shaman of the town," Simon said. "He's a doctor of sorts. He wants to take care of everybody. He's a very interesting character."

Luella, played by Angel Guidroz, begins the play as a staunch doubter, disbelieving in God and in Buddy's divining abilities. Near the conclusion, Luella is close to standing with the fanatical Norma.

Goldie, played, by Leah Coleman, is a strong female figure. Unlike the other female roles Goldie is a non-extreme character.

"Goldie is a strong character, especially for this time period," Coleman said. "She's the closest thing to what would be called a liberated woman. She's what every woman takes for granted now. She's running her own business in the 30s — her own diner. Goldie comes from a really rough background. She's found her strength in herself. She's very strong, very independent, a well-put together woman."

To enhance the theatrical value of the show, Wann created three parts to represent the entire community of Zion.

". . . These women act as a kind of silent chorus for the town," Wann said. "They periodically appear and kind of watch over things. They're not guardian angels. They're not the Fates [a group of three Greek goddesses] or anything like that. They are just the ladies of Zion who are aware of what happens to the people in the play."

These parts are played by Kelly St. Germain, Candace Goodwin and Crickett Skelton. The actresses said that their characters add depth to the play.

"We represent, the past, the present and the future," St. Germain said. "We represent Buddy's dead mother, we represent the town, and we represent love, peace and unity."

"She was very close to his [Buddy's] mother when she died," Goodwin said of her character; "and she acts like a human guardian angel." According to Wann, it isn't just the way the actors present the words that will create the play's impact.

"What I'm trying to get them to do in this play . . . is to behave rather than to act," Wann said. Sort of like sociology, to 'behave' on stage as opposed to put on a show."

"We try every year and over any period of years to address all of the different kinds of theater," Wann said. "So here at Northwestern, we hope that in any four years people just coming to watch the plays will have seen everything from a Greek play, a contemporary play, to Shakespeare to musicals. All sorts of things."

*The Diviners* performances begin at 7 p.m.

Wann is pleased with the work that the cast and crew have put into the production.

"It looks like one of the best ensemble shows we've ever done," Wann said.

# LASORDA: Talks with students

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"My dad was an immigrant from Italy," he said. "And growing up he always told me 'you live in the greatest country in the world.' My father taught me more about the philosophy of life than any other man.

"I learned from day one from my parents that if you have faith in God, he'll have faith in you," Lasorda said. "And they taught me that just because God delays, does not mean God denies."

After Lasorda finished his lecture he took a wide range of questions from the audience. The quick-witted manager entertained the crowd throughout the Q & A session.

The first question he was asked was how much money he made doing commercials for Slimfast.

"For the money they paid me, I would have taken a bath in it if they wanted me to," he said.

A press conference was held after the lecture and later conducted an informal meeting with students at the Cane River Room in the Student Union. In the meeting at the Student Union, Lasorda took questions from the audience and signed autographs.

At age 67, Lasorda doesn't the slow down much in the off-season. He helps raise money for college baseball programs year and gives motivational speeches across the country. Lasorda views the engagements almost as a responsibility.





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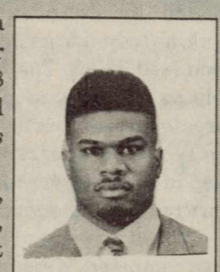
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# PLAYER OF THE WEEK

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*Current Sauce*



A punt blocked against Louisiana Tech that enabled the Demons to score their first touchdown off a blocked kick since 1988 was enough for reserve defensive back Teryl Williamson to be named the *Current Sauce's* Player of the Week.

Williamson, a junior from Empire, La., burst through to block a Louisiana Tech punt on the third play of the second quarter. Marlon Edwards recovered in the Bulldog end zone, giving the Demons a 14-14 tie in an eventual 38-28 loss to Division I-A Louisiana Tech.

Williamson's play was the Demons' first blocked punt for a score since 1988 and the first punt block for negative yardage since that year.

The Demons have partially blocked at least two punts since then, but those both went past the line of scrimmage.

**Player File**

**Name:** Teryl Williamson
**Age:** 22
**Hometown:** Empire, La.
**Performance against Tech:** Blocked a punt, which reulted in a Demon touchdown.
**1993:** Played in three junior varsity games.

# Women's cross country takes sixth in SLC Championship

Troy Dean Conkle
*Current Sauce*

Northwestern's women's cross country team finished sixth, and the men finished seventh at the 1994 Southland Conference Championships in Lake Charles Monday, Oct. 31.

Danielle Schaeffer paced the Lady Demons with a 14th place finish in 18:18. Robin Meyers was 16th in 18:23. Ruth Martinez finished 34th with a time of 19:09, Laura Oubre came in 39th in 19:20 and Carla Davison's time of 19:30 was good enough for 41st place.

Southwest Texas nipped Texas-Arlington 46-48 to win the women's division.

Four of the Lady Bobcats finished in the top 10, with Janice Turner leading the way by capturing the individual championship in 17:06.

Angela Nelson, the 1993 SLC champion from Texas-Arlington, finished second with a time of 17:16.

Texas-San Antonio was third with 60 points, followed by McNeese State (121), North Texas (133), Northwestern (144), Sam Houston (194), Northeast Louisiana (212), Stephen F. Austin (254) and Nicholls State (310).

For the Northwestern men, Robert Bonner finished 23rd with a time of 26:45. Kerry Gray had a time of 26:49 to finish 25th, Jason Wingard was 28th in 26:55, Tim Rosas was 33rd in 27:05 and Kris Jinenez finished 48th with a time of 28:06.

North Texas toppled defending conference champ Southwest Texas 68 to 75.

Dennis Moynihan, of Southwest Texas, was the individual champion with a time of 25:12.

Texas-San Antonio finished third with 92 points, followed by Texas-Arlington (93), Northeast Louisiana (131), McNeese State (145), Northwestern (158), Stephen F. Austin (177), Sam Houston (211) and Nicholls State (222).

Northwestern goes to College Station, Texas, Nov. 12 for the NCAA Region VI meet.

# BASKETBALL: Teams prepare for season

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cluding All-America candidate Joskeen Garner.

Garner, a junior from Florien, La., was second in the nation and tops in the Southland Conference last season by averaging 13.8 rebounds per game. She was also tops in the conference with 2.2 blocks per game, third in scoring at 19.9, her 4.6 assists was fourth-best, she was sixth in the conference with 2.7 steals and a field goal percentage of .500.

Garner was named first-team all-Southland Conference, and was dubbed Co-Player of the Year with Louisiana Tech's Pam Thomas by the Louisiana Sports Writers Association.

Smith raves about the Lady Demon standout.

"She is one of the top 20 players in women's basketball," he said. "She can play from four different positions, from point guard to power forward, and play them all very well. I would take a bet on Joskeen if she were playing one-on-one against anyone, and probably make a pretty good living doing so."

1994 All-Louisiana Women's second-team selection Angela Simpson, a junior, returns after a season-ending knee injury ended her season early last year. Simpson averaged 21.7 points a game and 4.2 assists.

Other returning starters are Stephanie Shaw, a junior, and seniors Susan Baxter and Bridgete Williams. Shaw averaged 11.4 points and five assists last season. Williams scored 9.7 points and pulled down 2.7 boards a game, and Baxter averaged 4.2 points and 4.3 rebounds.

J.D. Barnett takes over as the men's head coach. He replaced Dan Bell, who left after six seasons as Demon head coach. The Demons were 11-15 overall last season and 6-12 in Southland Conference games.

Barnett has a record of 262-150 in 14 seasons as a head coach at Louisiana Tech, Virginia Commonwealth and Tulsa. Barnett's teams have made seven NCAA Tournament appearances.

He was released by Tulsa in 1991 and hasn't coached since, but seems to be ready for this new challenge.

"I see this as a challenge," he said. "I'm trying to do things that I enjoy, and have a positive impact on people's lives. I want to win big here, and I want to prove it can be done. There isn't much heritage or tradition here, and it would be nice to say that the program has some tradition."

The Demons have just two returners from last year's squad. Kenny McMillon is the only returning starter back from last season. Northwestern has 11 new members.

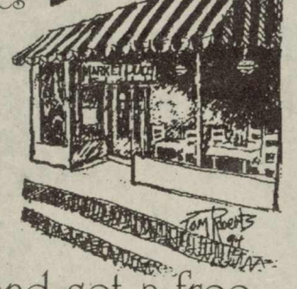
Barnett knows there will be no easy answers or quick fixes of the program but he says there has been improvement since the team began practice Oct. 15.

"For the most part we've had excellent progression," he said. "The problem we have is that we lack thickness, lack size and have a lack of athleticism. But they have good work ethic and the enthusiasm is good."

The key to the Demons' success will be its ability to play smart.

"We have to play excellent defense, and find easy ways of getting baskets," Barnett said. "We need to get the ball into the paint and shoot more free throws than the other team. We run a complicated system, but it has been good to us. This team will need to continue to play smart and work hard to have a chance to win."


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# SportsWeek

Tuesday, November 8, 1994

# Demons play tough against Louisiana Tech

David Weaver
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Louisiana Tech took homefield advantage to a new level Saturday against the Demons.

Playing on a mud-soaked field that Sam Goodwin, Northwestern head coach, described simply as "terrible," the Demons were outscored by the Division I-A rival Bulldogs 38-28 before 16,020 fans at Joe Aillet Stadium in Ruston.

"I thought that [the field] was the difference," Goodwin said after the loss, which dropped the Demons to 5-4 on the season. "On a turf field, we would probably have an edge, but in these conditions they had the advantage. I don't think they worked too hard to improve the field since the last game they played here."

Tech tailback Jason Cooper shredded an injury-riddled Northwestern defense for 214 yards on 29 carries, with 48 coming in the final quarter as the Bulldogs simply dominated the Demons and broke open a tight 31-28 game with an 11-play, 63-yard drive which culminated with a 2-yard touchdown burst by Shannon Jenkins with 3:02 left in the game.

"We knew coming in that the field would work in their favor because of their size advantage up front," Goodwin said. "They did a great job of staying with their blocks and our guys couldn't free up to run to the ball as they usually would. We hung in there for a long while, but they whipped us in the fourth quarter."

The Demons jumped out to a quick 7-0 lead following a fumble recovery by Robert Wright at the Tech 46 just three plays into the game. Danny Alexander scored from 9 yards out on the eighth play of the drive, giving Northwestern a quick advantage.

Tech roared back on its next possession, as quarterback Jason Martin capped off an 11-play, 65-yard drive with a one-yard plunge that tied the score at 7-7. Moments later, Tech recovered a Terry Williamson fumble and returned the ball to the Demon eight, and Cooper scampered in from 7 yards out two plays later, giving the Bulldogs a 14-7 lead.

Northwestern drove to the Tech 5-yard line on the ensuing possession, but another Williamson fumble was recovered by the Bulldogs, ending the threat. But three plays later, Teryl Williamson blocked a Tech punt and Marlon Edwards recovered in the end zone for a Northwestern touchdown which tied the score at 14-14.

The Bulldogs' Marty Kent nailed an 18-yard field goal with 7:51 remaining in the first half, and Tech extended its lead to 24-14 when fullback Terence Wilson scored from 7 yards out with 1:36 to go before halftime.

The Demons came back with a six-play, 64-yard drive in only 55 seconds as quarterback Brad Laird hit Patrick Palmer for a 13-yard touchdown with 41 seconds to go in the half, and Northwestern went into the locker room trailing only by three at 24-21.

Alexander put Northwestern back on top with an 11-yard touchdown burst with 7:35 left in the third quarter, and the Demons were up 28-24. But Tech immediately answered with a seven-play, 37-yard drive set up by a 61-yard kickoff return by Jonathan Maxwell. Jenkins scored from 3 yards out and Tech lead 31-28. The Demons were able to mount a couple of scoring threats in the fourth quarter, but the Tech defense sacked Laird twice deep in Bulldog territory to end any Northwestern comeback hopes.

"I was very proud of the way the guys competed," Goodwin said. "We kept coming back, but in the fourth quarter we couldn't keep the pass rush off Brad long enough, and we had some slips on the field that hurt."

Although the setback hurts the Demons' overall record, Northwestern still has a good chance at a playoff berth in the Southland Conference.

"This is a disappointing loss, but our future is more important," Goodwin said. "We can win our fin two games and go to the playoff Our focus has to go towards McNee this week."

Northwestern came out of t game with several injuries, partic larly on defense. Standout defensi tackle Nathan Platt and startin wide receiver James Brock will mi this week's final home game again McNeese, and defensive linema Carl Taylor is out for the season.

"I'm concerned with our phys cal condition right now," Goodw said. "We're just really a beat-u football team right now."

The Demons will return Turpin Stadium to face defendi conference champion McNee which is an important game for bo teams. Both are tied for seco place with a 3-1 Southland Confe ence record.

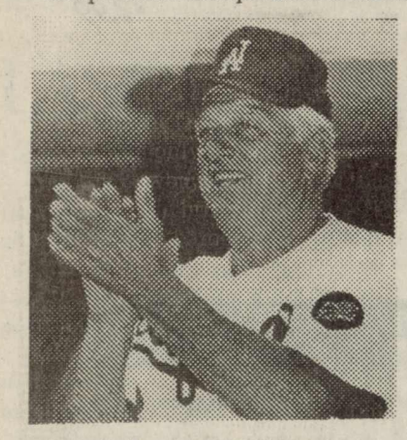
# Lasorda optimistic about upcoming baseball season

Mike Whitmire
*Current Sauce*

During his visit to Northwestern, Tommy Lasorda remained optimistic about the immediate future of baseball as he discussed his life in and around the game and what is ahead.

Lasorda, 67, is hopeful that there will be a spring training in 1995 and the season will go without a hitch.

"I'm an optimistic person," he said. "I believe the owners and players will work out their problems, and we will have a spring training. The new mediator has a good track record and I'm hoping he can get the two parties together. Somebody has got to give something up and compromise. Compromise is the cornerstone to diplomacy."



**Lasorda**

The current players' strike, which ended the Major League season without a World Series for the first time in 90 years, has influenced the National Hockey League lockout that is currently taking place, according to Lasorda. He sees a new trend coming in professional sports.

"In the next few years there is going to be a big change," he said. "The owners backed themselves into a corner by signing players to these big contracts and now they are trying to change it. Nobody put a gun to their heads and made them pay that much money."

Although Lasorda feels the fans have been cheated by the strike, he doesn't believe the game will be hurt by the fighting between the owners and the players over money.

"Right now the fans are irate and they have a right to be," he said. "But everywhere I go they ask me when baseball is going to be back. But baseball is the best buy in town. You can take a family of five to beautiful Dodger Stadium for $22. You can't do that with football, basketball or hockey. A family of five can't even go see a movie for that price."

The Dodger skipper was reluctant to name his favorite player who he'd ever played with or managed, but he wasn't hesitant to describe the type of player he likes.

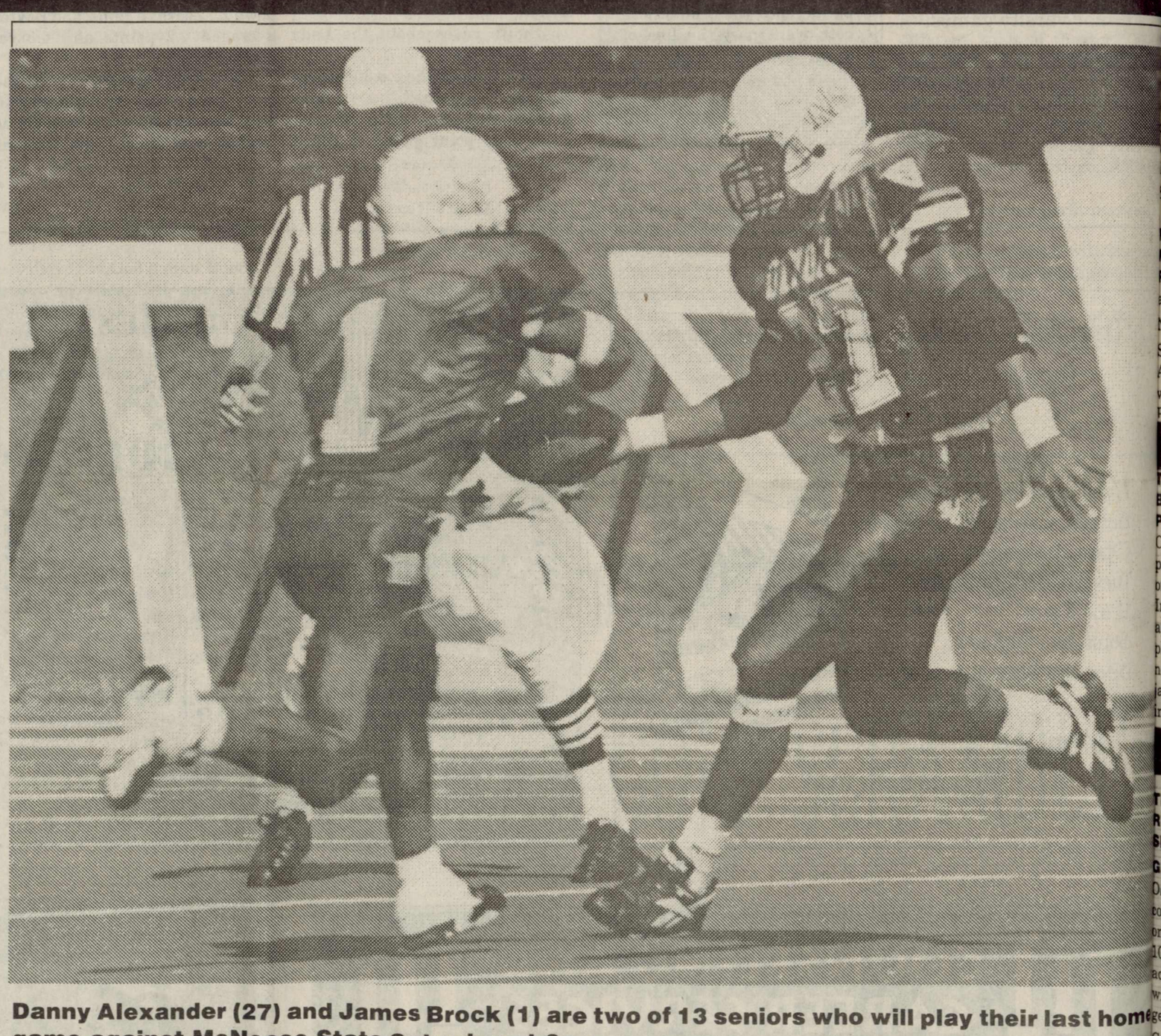
"Give me a guy with a lot of heart and a little talent over the guy with a lot of talent and a little heart," he said. "Give me those guys that have the desire to win. I want a guy that I'd want to be in a fox hole with if we were going into battle."

Lasorda sees his role with the Dodgers as getting every player to believe in themselves and each other.

"I try to impress upon the players that it takes 25 players, a manager and a coaching staff all getting on one end of a rope and pulling together if we're going to win," Lasorda said. "If you have half of the team on one end pulling against the other half, you don't get anywhere."

Lasorda acknowledges the many changes that have occurred in professional baseball since he broke into the sport 50 years ago. The long-term and no-trade contracts have made the game a little different and changed the players attitude towards success and loyalty to a team, according to Lasorda.

# Seniors On the Move



**Danny Alexander (27) and James Brock (1) are two of 13 seniors who will play their last home game against McNeese State Saturday at 2 p.m.**

# NSU basketball gets ready for new season

Mike Whitmire
*Current Sauce*

Northwestern's basketball teams will begin the upcoming season with expectations at opposite ends of the spectrum.

The women, coming off its third-consecutive 20-win season, have been picked to win the Southland Conference Championship by the coaches and sports information directors in the conference.

Conversely, the SID's and coaches have picked the Demon men 10th.

The Northwestern men will open the season by entertaining Vasda USA Nov. 15 in an exhibition contest in Prather Coliseum. The women also begin with an exhibition contest, hosting the Hungarian National Team Nov. 23.

James Smith begins his eighth season as head coach of the Lady Demons and is looking for his fourth straight 20-win campaign.

The Lady Demons return all five starters from last year's squad that went 20-8 overall and 14- Southland Conference play. No western finished third be Stephen F. Austin and North Louisiana.

Ten of 11 letter-winners f last year's squad will be back,

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# Montana should consider retiring at the end of season

**Kelvin Pierre**



**SPORTS TALK**

It was the 1981 NFC championship game, and the San Fransisco 49ers were hosting the Dallas Cowboys. With only minutes left in the fourth quarter, the Cowboys were leading, but the 49ers, led by quarterback Joe Montana, were determined to win.

I remember crossing my fingers and screaming "Keep them out Cowboys!" I was only 9 years old, but I loved the Cowboys, and I knew that my team would bring home the NFC championship banner.

Just when I thought the game was over, Montana rolled to his right and found a wide-open Dwight Clark in the back of the end zone for the game-winning touchdown. The 49ers went on to defeat the Cincinnati Bengals 26-21 in Super Bowl XVI, with Montana bringing home the Super Bowl MVP trophy. With Montana, the 49ers went on to win Super Bowls XIV, XXIII and XXIV. Montana has never lost a Super Bowl.

There is no doubt that Joe Montana, 38, is one of the best quarterbacks to ever play the game. He led the 49ers to four Super Bowl titles and has been the highest rated QB for most of his professional career. He is known for his poise and leadership in game-winning situations. Although he is arguably the best QB to play the game, I think that Joe should consider retiring while he's still on top.

Some may think that mentioning Joe and retiring in the same sentence is an insult. I know that he brought Chiefs back in the Monday Night Football game two weeks ago with 68 seconds left in the game, but let's face it, Joe isn't in San Fransisco anymore. Yes, he can still get the ball to the open receiver, and he can occasionally bring his team back in crucial situations, but can he win the big games with Kansas City? I don't think so.

I was at a friend's apartment last weekend, and we were trying to decide which would be the better game to watch. Our choices were the Dallas Cowboys (6-1) vs. the Cincinnati Bengals (0-7) or the Kansas City Chiefs (5-2) vs. the Buffalo Bills (4-3). Without hesitation, we turned to the Chiefs-Bills game. After the first quarter, we found ourselves watching the more exciting game — Cowboys vs. Bengals. Well, the Bills stomped the Chiefs 44-10, while the Cowboys edged the Bengals 23-20. What happened to the Chiefs?

Montana was 12 for 21 passing for only 121 yards with one interception and two fumbles against Buffalo before being replaced by Steve Bono late in the third quarter.

No, it wasn't Joe's fault the Chiefs lost. He's doesn't have the talented teammates that he had in San Francisco. Think about it, with Jerry Rice and John Taylor to throw to, how could he go wrong? He couldn't.

The Kansas City receivers may catch eight balls per game, but how many do they drop? His offensive line may *occasionally* allow him to throw 200 or 300 yards per game, but how many times is Joe sacked? Speaking of sacks, Joe was knocked out of last year's AFC championship game against Buffalo (which the Chiefs lost 30-13) with a concussion. I just don't think that Joe can take much more. By the way, try asking Merril Hoge about concussions. concussion may not affect Joe now, but it may very well affect in the future. I know that takin hit is a part of the game, but Joe 24 anymore.

I respect Montana and bel that he is, no doubt, one of the b but he can only go so far with Kan City.

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Most sports fans agree that Montana is, hands down, the b QB ever. He owes it to his fan himself and his fans to leave game of football while he's still top.



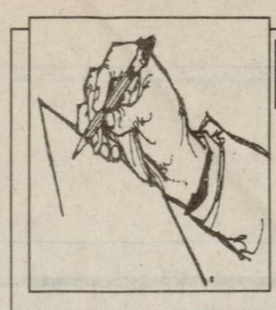
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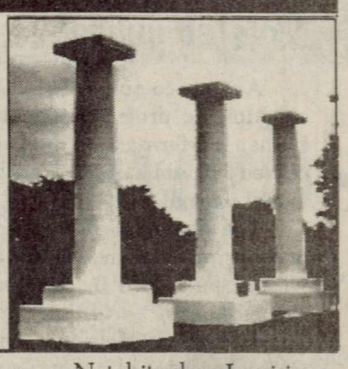
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Better lighting might deter campus crimes such as sexual assault


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## Over 750 students participate in Senior Day

More than 750 high school students saw what Northwestern had to offer at the annual Senior Day Saturday.

According to Chris Maggio, director of admissions and recruiting, the event has become crucial in drawing students from around the state to the University.

"Senior Day has become a pretty important part of recruiting at Northwestern," Maggio said. "This year was a huge success. We had a good turnout and the students seemed excited to be on campus."

While still a relatively young program, Senior Day has grown into a day-long series of events designed to give students a taste of the college experience.

The day started with registration at 8 a.m. with orientation and welcome speeches from Maggio, Joe Sampite, Natchitoches mayor; Dr. Edward Graham, vice president of Academic Affairs; Fred Fulton, dean of Student Affairs and motivational speaker Steve Morgan. Morgan spoke to students about the transition they will make from high school to college.

Afterwards, students were invited to find out what Northwestern had to offer academically and in extracurricular activities.

According to Maggio, representatives from all of Northwestern's departments and most campus organizations were on hand to talk to students.

The range of programs represented helped students know what is available at Northwestern according to LaTasha Preylo, a student from Natchitoches Central High School.

"I got a good impression of Northwestern and the opportunities it offers," Preylo, a prospective math major, said. "The University made the event fun."

Laura Meziere, also from Natchitoches Central, is still undecided about her major, but was excited about the number of programs Northwestern had to offer.

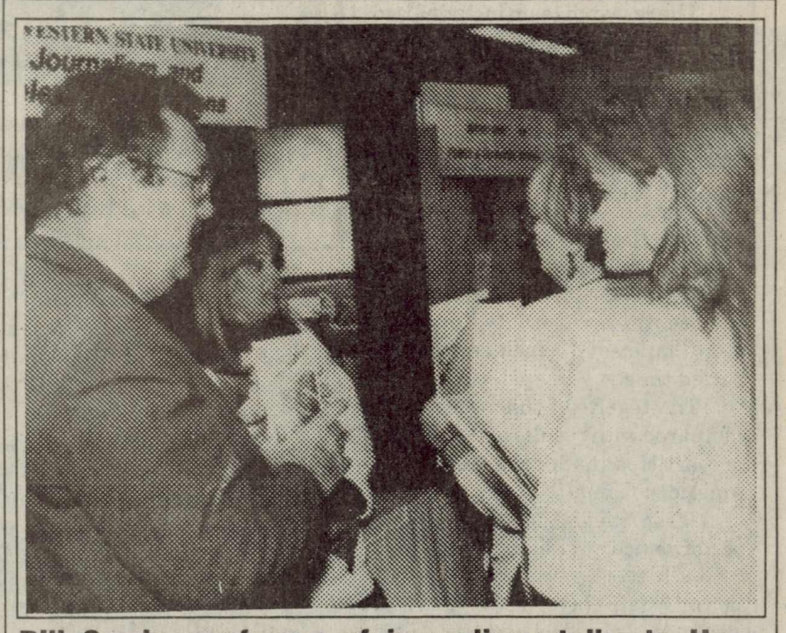
"Everyone here has been helpful in giving me ideas as to what I want to major in," Meziere said. "I will go to NSU."

Still, some other students were not as enthused about the level of helpfulness at Senior Day.

"I didn't get all of the information I'd have liked to," Paula Kimball, an Avoylles High student, said. "Basically, all of the information the representatives could give me I had already gotten from the catalog. I was hoping to get some more information on the details of the programs."

After discussing their prospective programs with Northwestern representatives, the students were provided lunch and tours of the campus and city.

Students ended the day with a dose of Demon sports as Northwestern's football team took on the McNeese Cowboys.



**Bill Swain, professor of journalism, talks to Hope McNeely of St. Mary's Dominican about what Northwestern's Department of Journalism and Telecommunications has to offer prospective majors** PHOTO BY JEFF GUIN

## World Report

### CAMPUS

**PREREGISTRATION BEGINS THIS WEEK:** Students may pick up their schedule request cards for the spring in the Student Union this week. The schedule of classes is available in Roy Hall and in the Student Union.

**MOLSTAD WRITES TWO PROFESSIONAL JOURNALS:** Dr. Susan Molstad's, professor of health and human performance, journals on performance skills of collegiate women softball players will be published in the December issue of *Perceptional and Motor Skills*. **PAGE 2**.

**FIVE COMPOSITIONS BY MUSIC PROFESSOR PUBLISHED:** Dr. Mark Francis, adjunct professor of music at Northwestern and the Louisiana School for Math, Science and the Arts, composed five works that were published by the Mysterium Publications of Savannah, Ga.

### CITY

**THE NATCHITOCHES JAIL BEGINS FINAL STAGE OF PLANNING:** In last night's City Council meeting, an ordinance proposing the transfer of property of the Natchitoches Jail to the Air Industrial Park was introduced. If approved the final stages of planning and construction of the new jail facility will begin. The jail will have a capacity of 250 inmates.

### STATE

**THREE NATCHITOCHES RESIDENTS PARTICIPATE IN SPECIAL OLYMPICS WORLD GAMES:** Tim Bennett, Sharon Osborn and Nicole Pier will compete in the equestrian division on Team Louisiana. Comprised of 106 athletes from communities across the state, Team Louisiana will be the third largest contingent competing at the World Games in Connecticut.

### NATION

**STUDENTS PROTEST TUITION INCREASE**: More than 500 University of Kentucky students took to the streets on Nov. 2 to protest a proposed increase in tuition. The rally, one of the largest protests on the UK campus in years, was sponsored by the school's Student Government Association. Kentucky's Council on Higher Education, a state board that oversees Kentucky's public colleges and universities, recently announced that it plans to raise tuition at UK next year by $40 a semester. Last year, the Council raised UK's tuition 11.2 percent. After failing to get UK President Charles Wethington to address them on the potential tuition increase, students headed to Limestone Street, where they eventually brought traffic to a standstill for about 15 minutes. They eventually moved out of the road at the request of the UK police department.

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## Lending a helping hand



**Jennie Mae Layman (Jenny Kendrick) helps Buddy Layman (Peter Schmidt) put on his shoes in Northwestern's production of *The Diviners*. The production concluded last night.** PHOTO BY CHAD SULLIVAN

## Northwestern Beautification continuing

### Despite problems, project is expected to benefit NSU

SHAKIRA BALDWIN
*Current Sauce*

Due to bad weather and other setbacks, the campus beautification project has been delayed more than once, and W.K. Norman, assistant director of physical plant, agrees that there have been some minor problems and readjustments since the beginning of this project.

However, Norman said that campus beautification is a project which will help Northwestern accommodate the future growth expected within the next five years.

"We hired Lane Marshall, a landscape architect, to research traffic patterns and growth," Norman said. "We have taken the information given to us and advanced it to what we consider Northwestern's 21st Century."

According to Norman, Northwestern's expected growth is 5 percent annually, which equals approximately 450 new students each year. The enrollment is expected to reach the 10,000- plus mark very soon.

"In order to counteract insurmountable problems we have implemented this project, which will make Northwestern primarily a pedestrian campus," Norman said.

According to John Winston, vice president of University Affairs, the campus beautification project will benefit all of the students in the long run despite the seemingly disruptive process that is causing doubts.

"Northwestern is a beautiful campus and it didn't just happen by accident," Winston said. "The University has made sacrifices to uphold this standard. There will always be growing pains and this phase is a prime example of what you must first experience before you can see the benefits."

Norman and Winston both agreed that although students might have some reason for complaint, parking on campus should not be a reason. Both said because of the lack of utilization of parking spaces at Prather Coliseum that "we have no justification for adding new parking lots."

"Due to the large number of parking spaces open, we cannot receive approval from the Board of Trustees, Board of Regents and the Traffic and Safety committee to add new lots," Norman said.

Other ideas have been discussed in regard to the use of parking at Prather such as a shuttle bus system, but nothing definite has been decided. Winston said that if students really want to improve parking on campus then perhaps they should voice interest in this idea.

"There are four phases to the campus beautification project and if everything continues smoothly the first phase will be completed by Jan. 1," Norman said.

## Sexual assault addressed

### NSU recognizes November as Sexual Assault Prevention Month

JANE BALDWIN
*Current Sauce*

*Editor's Note: This is the first installment of our series on sexual assault.*

Every year, one in four females is sexually assaulted in the nation, according to Jennifer Maggio, a counselor at Northwestern. This alarming statistic has caused so much concern on campus that Counseling and Career Services has named November "Sexual Assault Prevention Month."

During November, the counselors will speak about sexual assault at the dorms, and on Monday and Tuesday, Maggio will speak to health and first aid classes on sexual assault in Rm. 321 of the Student Union.

On Nov. 29, the SGA is sponsoring a free speech forum on sexual assault. Counselors from the University's counseling services will speak along with a campus policeman and nurse.

"It's something to be aware of," Maggio said. She said that one of the main factors leading to sexual assault is women's lack of assertiveness and the need for men to learn to control their behavior.

"Everybody has the attitude that it won't happen to me," Karen Townsend, a graduate student in student personnel services, said. "Most people think it only occurs to women, but men need to know about it, too. It's not just about women."

Students at Stanford University have

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- Pin-ups, cartoons
- Unwanted sexual compliments
- Repeated requests for dates
- Repeated request for sexual favors
- Excessive flirting • Wearing revealing attire
- Staring

**Physical**
- Unwanted touching on any part of the body
- Touching of breast and hips
- Unwanted brushing against another's body
- Standing too close
- Excessive "lengthy" handshakes
- Physical attack

*-Sexual Harassment in the Workplace*

## Two journals by Molstad published

A study co-authored by Dr. Susan Molstad, professor of health and human performance, has been accepted for publication in two professional journals.

The study on performance skills of collegiate women softball players will be published in the *National Association of Girls and Women's Sports Softball Monogram* and the December issue of *Perceptional and Motor Skills*.

Molstad and four researchers performed a battery of tests on women's softball players participating in the National Invitational Championships held at Western Illinois University.

The research team included two exercise physiologists, a vision perception expert, a motor learning expert and a researcher with a master's degree in nursing. Molstad is an expert in motor learning.

The players were tested on body composition, anaerobic power and capacity, flexibility and a number of visual perception tests including static visual acuity, color perception, contrast sensitivity, hand/eye coordination and coincidence anticipation time.

The results of this study were compared with results of tests given to participants in the 1991 Pan American Games.

"From this we hope to develop a performance profile that can give both athletes and coaches information on where player's strengths and weaknesses lie," Molstad said. "This could be a big aid in helping improve performance. If we know the kind of abilities that are important, we can help athletes develop those skills better."

Molstad found the players had high contrast sensitivity scores.

"This skill is important in allowing them to detect the flight of the ball and in hitting," she said.

Molstad said the same tools are being used by Cindy Bristow, director of National Teams for the Amateur Softball Association, who will be the coach of the 1996 U.S. Olympic Softball Team.



**The Home Economics building was rededicated the Family and ConsumerScience Building in a ceremony Thursday. Among those attending were members of the NAFCS club (L-R) Allison Hahs, Amanda Simmons, Melissa Babcock (secretary/treasurer), Amy Alderman (president), Kim Butler, Kaci Arthur, Mary Thibodaux and Cari King.** PHOTO BY JEFF FLETCHER

## Math and science departments merged

Northwestern has merged its departments of Mathematical and Physical Sciences and Life Sciences into the Division of Mathematics and Sciences, according to President Robert Alost.

Dr. Austin Temple, head of the Department of Mathematical and Physical Sciences will now be director of the Division of Mathematics and Sciences.

"This organization is consistent with Dr. Alost's philosophy of a lean administrative structure," Temple said. "This organization offers an unique opportunity for interdisciplinary interaction between faculty members in different areas."

According to Temple, Northwestern is planning to develop programs in environmental science and waste management. The new structure will make it easier to implement these programs.

"These programs cut across life science, industrial technology and chemistry," Temple said. "With all these disciplines in one area, it will be easier to plan and implement programs in a way that is more beneficial to our students."

Temple said the new structure will allow more students and faculty to participate in Northwestern's Joint Venture Program with NASA.

"This is a great opportunity for more people to get involved in this successful program," he said. "More faculty can study with NASA scientists. Our students will have additional opportunities to study and learn from these NASA-trained scientists."

The new division will offer majors in 10 areas including aviation science, biology, chemistry, electronics engineering technology, industrial technology, industrial technology/industrial management, mathematics, medical technology, physics and radiologic technology.

Pre-professional programs in agriculture, engineering, forestry, medicine, dentistry, optometry, pharmacy, respiratory therapy and veterinary medicine are also offered along with associate degree programs in computer technology, drafting technology, electronic technology and veterinary technology.

## Scheffler to present paper on Army/college partnerships

Dr. Anthony J. Scheffler, assistant dean of Graduate Studies, will participate in the 12th International Conference on New Concepts in Higher Education in Melbourne, Australia, Dec. 4-8.

Scheffler will join David P. Keltner, assistant deputy for education, in the Office of the Secretary of the Army at the conference.

Scheffler and Keltner will present, *Innovation through Collaboration: The Emerging Partnership Between the U.S. Army and Higher Education*, at the conference which is sponsored by the International Council for Innovation in Higher Education.

The cost of Scheffler's participation is being paid by the Army.

Scheffler has been working with the Army since the spring when he participated in the National Alternative Teacher Certification Association conference.

The Governor's Military Advisory Committee on Education, chaired by Creighton Owen of Leesville, has expressed an interest in developing teacher certification programs to attract retired military personnel. Owen is now the executive director of Northwestern's Fort Polk Center.

According to President Robert Alost, Northwestern is committed to developing innovative programs to meet the needs of the military population and their families.

## Wallace publishes book on new teaching methods for writing

The National Council of Teachers of English has published a book co-edited by Dr. Ray Wallace, director of the Louisiana Scholars' College.

The book, *Intersections: Theory-Practice in the Writing Center*, brings together 15 essays which reexamine taken-for-granted composition practices and propose new methods to teach writing.

Both Wallace and his co-editor, Dr. Joan Mullin from the University of Toledo, will be honored in Orlando at the national conference for teachers of English later this month.

"I am gratified to see this book come to fruition," Wallace said. "New research in the teaching of writing is important to all teachers as we try to revitalize the American educational system. We need to develop new strategies to get students enthused about writing and reading and I think in its own small way this volume goes a long way in beginning the needed dialogue to achieve this goal."

## Saturn is the next topic on the Division of Mathematics and Sciences' lecture series

Assistant professor of physics Dr. Gary White will deliver a lecture, *Saturn's Rings, Stereo Turntables and Spandex*, at 3 p.m Thursday in Rm. 107 Fournet Hall.

The lecture, open to all students, is part of the Division of Mathematics and Sciences Lecture Series.

White will discuss methods he has developed to explain scientific principles.

One method uses spandex and marbles to explain the effects of the moon's gravitational pull on tides.

"The methods I use appear to be very simple, but they help the students and me understand the principles I lecture about," White said. "It's one thing to know the formulas and calculations involved, but it's useful to be able to visualize what is being discussed."

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# SEXUAL ASSAULT: Is common crime on college campuses

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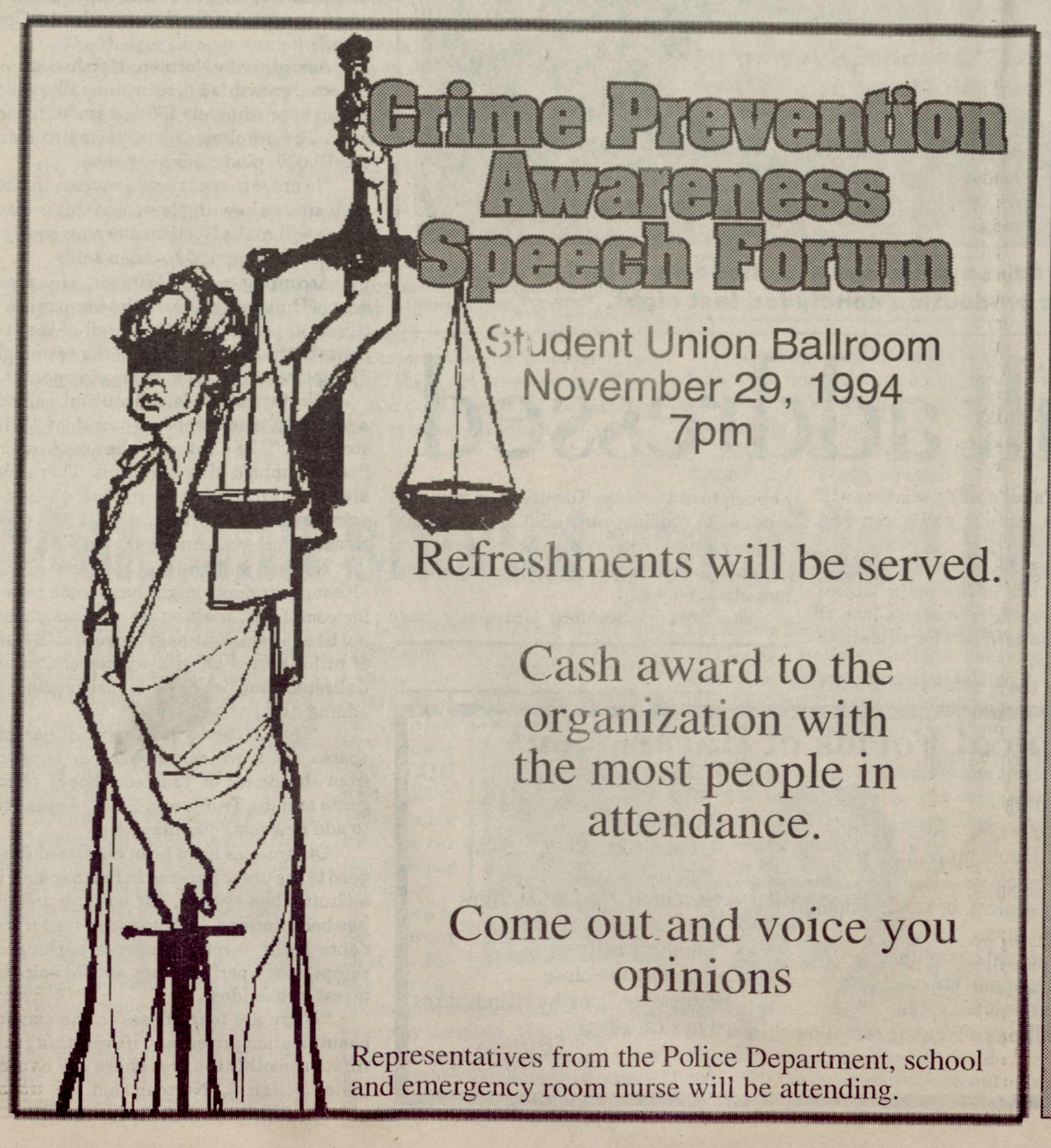
started a rape prevention program for men. "Why should women have to take self-defense classes when it isn't their responsibility to stop rape?" Matthew Mitzel, who helped organize the program, said. "It should be men learning how not to rape, rather than the women learning how not to be raped," he said. Last year Mitzel helped to organize Stanford's first "Men's Collective," 10 male students who meet two hours a week to discuss ways to prevent sexual assault. The campus police report shows that there have not been any reported sexual assaults for the past three years, although Maggio says women have received counseling for sexual assault in the past, but they do not report it to the police.

According to Maggio, women do not go to the police because they are "reluctant to classify it as rape. They blame themselves," she said. "It's not their fault."

"I know it's a problem on campus," Cindy Brown, a senior elementary education major from Alexandria, said. "The girls do not report it because they think people will call them trash."

Maggio said that sexual assault involves much more than rape. "Sexual assault is any unwanted sexual advances from harassment to rape," she said. Sexual harassment will also be addressed during November. According to Maggio, many people are not aware of what is considered sexual harassment. In the student handbook, sexual harassment is defined as "any unsolicited and unwelcome sexual conduct, either verbal or physical." Maggio said no reports of sexual harassment have been made, but she believes it is because many are nervous about reporting it.

According to Juliana Lightle and Betsy Doucet, authors of the b *Sexual Harassment in the W place*, "Harassed college stud rarely report this abuse because fear professors will retaliate by ing them poor grades and subs dard job recommendations." University encourages student report any incidents of sexual rassment promptly.





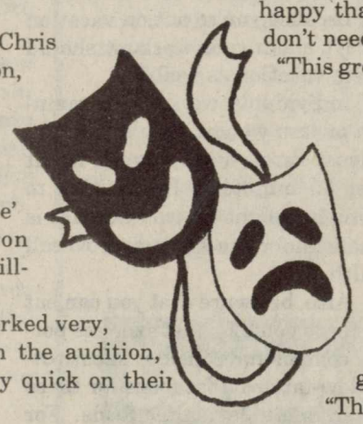

# Rude Mechanicals improv looking for big laughs

Heather Urena
*Current Sauce*

A newly formed troupe of students is nothing to laugh about — or maybe it is. Rude Mechanicals is a group of theater students who joined together in an effort to do something different.

Eric C. Amburg, director of the troupe and a junior speech major with an emphasis in theater, auditioned and selected the student actors.

"I've always had an interest in improvisation, and I've always wanted to have a group of people to work with," Amburg said. "My mentor is Orson Wells and I thought it was interesting — what he did — and I thought it would be interesting to see what I could do with this group of actors."



Members of the troupe include Chris Foster, troupe captain; Allison Deleon, stage manager; Danielle Favors, public relations; and cast members Brad Burton, Sammy Brewster, Brett Daigle, Ryan Glorioso, Stephanie Hodgdon, Amee' Lasseigne, Andrea Meek, Aaron Moreland, Brett Snyder, Amber Williams and Jeff Williams.

"They were the people that worked very, very good with each other within the audition, Amburg said. "And they were very quick on their feet.

"This is the troupe that I want. I originally wanted only nine people in this cast. But they're all so good, and they were willing to work."

According to Amburg, the idea for this project was always in the back of his mind, but it came to the foreground after a conversation with a theater major who had participated in a similar group.

"Chris Foster was in an improvisational group up at his college, and we started talking one day. I said I was always interested in putting a troupe together. So I asked him if he would be troupe captain and I would direct it.

"This is totally new for me. I've never done anything like this before.

"I enjoy directing, that's what I like to do. And I like to take risks. This was a risk trying to do this.

"This is my baby. This is what I wanted to do. And no one was going to tell me that I couldn't do it."

No one has even hinted that the group isn't worthwhile. The group has only received support and interest.

According to Amburg, Terry Byars has been acting as the unofficial adviser for the group. Byars has been supportive of the group and has given Amburg advice whenever he has been asked. Dr. Jack Wann, Northwestern theater's artistic director, even developed an opportunity for the troupe to do a workshop so they could share their work — and comedy — with children.

The only performing this troupe has done together so far was the workshop with elementary and middle school children. And that was after only two days of rehearsals.

"We've just done a workshop and this will be our first performance," Amburg said.

"We toned it down for the children. We warmed up with machines ... We had the kids get with a group and build a machine. They had to build something. Then, they did scenes together."

"We, the troupe, had so much fun working with this workshop with these kids, and kids like to play more than adults do.

"We love to play to adults, but we also love to play with children, too."

Another outlet for the troupe's performance was provided by Skeeter Henry, director of Student Activities. "It's not going to be vulgar or anything. It's just adult humor in some places. But there's no vulgarity in it at all.

"That is the one thing that the group — I didn't even say it — but what I was real impressed with was the group said 'we don't want to use vulgarity.' I wasn't going to do that anyway, but it makes me a lot more happy that [the group] didn't want it, because we don't need it.

"This group is so very funny that they don't need to use vulgarity. They take off on anything," Amburg said.

"We'll be starting out just doing improvisation, and then trying to do plays later on with the group. But the show is improvisational.

Compared by Amburg to *Saturday Night Live* or *Monty Python*, Rude Mechanicals will be doing improvisational skits for the performance named for the group.

"There's no star in this troupe. The troupe is the star. Everyone is talented in his or her own way," Amburg said.

Each member of the troupe makes his or her own contribution, according to Amburg. All of the members are equally important to the show, and as performances are altered, the time each of the performers is on stage will change, also.

"I'm prepared to do most anything.

According to Danielle Favors, who handles public relations for Rude Mechanicals, the group will be looking for many different outlets for the group to perform.

The group would like to continue to work with children and with any audience that could appreciate an improvisational group. Favor said the troupe members hope to take a road trip to New Orleans in the spring to work in some of the clubs in that area.

"There's so many things that I want to do with this troupe — and doing it in different places," Amburg said. "Next semester I want to do a melodrama.

"It's not your typical improvisational show because the beginning is going to be very different.

"There's a lot of surprises in this show. The audience is not going to know what's going to happen next. Because they [troupe members] work in the audience, they come out in the audience as different characters, they leave and they come back," Amburg said. "It's just a whole night of guessing games."

*Remote Control* begins with two guys and two girls who take different channels off cable and do a whole skit around it.

"*Remote Control* is an original thing that those four people are doing ... that they came up with. And then, Aaron Moreland and Brett Snyder, they play music in the show. And what they do is take five objects and they will make a song out of any five objects. Then, we have two girls that make a conversation .... we're calling it *Girl Talk*. They take five food items and they incorporate it into talking about sex. And we have one *Monty Python* skit in the show."

"It's a group of people that are very talented. They are all actors. All of them are theater majors — just like me," Amburg said.

The troupe is hoping for a good student turnout. They expect support especially from "theater people."

"I'm looking at an opportunity to do things more like this at The Alley or anywhere that people would want to see an improvisational group. And I think that this is going to be a lot of fun.

"I think this is going to be successful. I think the more we work, the more we do things. Because after this, we're going to do Christmas caroling. We're making up skits so we can go around town at nursing homes and churches."

According to Amburg, someone from Weezals, a local bar, will be coming to the show to determine if the improvisational group's performance would appeal to their customers.

The troupe will show its talents at 8 p.m. tomorrow in The Alley.

## An Evening at the Improv



**Sammy Brewster elbows Chris Foster in the Rude Mechanicals' portrayal of Monty Python's skit "Nudge, Nudge." The Rude Mechanicals will be perfoming improvisation at 8 p.m. Wednesday in The Alley.**

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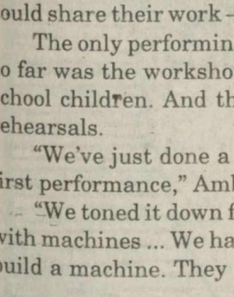
# Trans fatty acids: bad for health

As far back as fall 1993, I had heard that solidifying naturally liquid vegetable oils might not be good for consumers.

Apparently this process was discovered at the beginning of the 1900s in order to maintain a longer shelf life than vegetable oils. According to a recent article, in *American Journal of Public Health*, research is confirming that this type of fatty acidhas adverse health effects.

Trans fatty acids are created by manipulating molecules in an unnatural order to pack them more solidly. As a matter of fact, the article states, "Many of these molecules have never been encountered in nature." They are found in margarine and vegetable shortening.

Barbara McHenry



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The greatest concern is that a "major artificial element has been introduced into the food supply without a full understanding of all its metabolic and health implications." These fatty acids have been discovered to increase low-density lipoprotein cholesterol (LDL) and decrease high-density lipoprotein cholesterol (HDL). Of course, this is the opposite of what we have been told constitutes a healthier body. And, according to the article, trans fatty acids are causally related to coronary disease.

It is the opinion of these medical doctors with the Departments of Nutrition and Epidemiology and Harvard School of Public Health that the proportion of health risks found in trans fatty acids far exceed those of other regulated potential carcinogens in foods. Manufacturers should list these fatty acids on the content label if they are in the product.

In other words, the only beneficial thing about products with trans fatty acids is that it costs the public less than the oils. Yet, when all is said and done, does it really?

# Pre-Law: Weighing options and balancing criteria, what factors heaviest for getting into law school

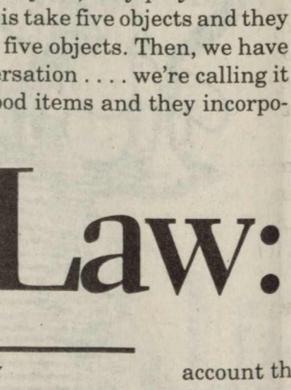
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The Law School Admissions Test is not the only criteria by which law schools judge applicants, but it is the first thing.

The first thing law schools look at are LSAT scores. The test is used to give law schools a standard by which to measure applicants' acquired verbal reading and reasoning skill, which might not be reflected by grade point average.

The LSAT will be offered at Northwestern Dec. 3 and Feb. 11.

Scoring on the LSAT ranges from 120-180, with 180 being the highest. Students are encouraged to take the test before February and to take it only once. Law schools representatives said it is doubtful that scores will increase significantly on subsequent tries.



But according to assistant district attorney Jimmy D. Long Jr., prospective law students should not be afraid to take the LSAT more than once to get the best score possible. Schools vary as to which scores are considered, so the student should check with individual institutions.

"We have no formal cutoffs or minimums (referring to LSAT of applicants), though we are unlikely to accept a candidate with a score below 145," Susan Krinsky, associate dean of Law School Admissions at Tulane, said. "Median was 160 this year. Only 5 percent of the incoming class have scores below 150."

Long said standards for law school have become harder in the last few years.

According to representatives from law schools at the 1994 Houston Law School Forum, law schools also take into account the Law School Data Assembly Service report, grade point average, course of study, difficulty of work, graduate work, personal statement, letters of recommendation, extracurricular activities, work experience, life experiences, ethnic and racial background and interviews. Students should not lie or leave out pertinent information, because they will be caught.

"Everything factors in to some degree, but the extent to which something factors in depends on the individual circumstances," Krinsky said.

Krinsky also stated that the No. 1 thing Tulane Law School looks for in a student is evidence that the student will be able to succeed at Tulane Law School academically. Last year, Tulane received 4,500 applications and offered admission to about a third of the applicants.

Students who aspire to be lawyers must be able to write and speak articulately and to negotiate effectively. As long as students have acquired these skills, their choice of undergraduate major is not crucial. According to *Thinking About Law School?*, a pamplet provided at the recent law school forum, law school look at the "intensity and depth of a student's undergraduate program, showing the students capacity to perform well at an academically rigorous level."

Long recommended that students take English, philosophy and liberal arts courses, but he did not recommend a specific major.

Long said law school is nothing like undergraduate or graduate school. He said that law school covers broad topics. And the classroom structure is much more rigorous. Students are questioned daily about the previous cases and reading assignments. Long said it was not unusual to spend six or seven hours a night reading.

"If you don't like to read you will be a very unhappy law student," Long said. "They don't tolerate people who don't do their reading.

"I was not like that in college. I would take history classes where a professor would say 'These are the six texts that are assigned for this class.' ...In those cases you can pass the class with may be an A or a B without reading everything. In law school you can't get by like that. It's just not possible," Long said.

"I went to law school at Loyola University in New Orleans -- it is a private school, so they expect a lot of their students so they can be more selective in their admissions procedures and standards for people to get in."

Students applying to schools with a rolling admissions policy should apply as early as possible. Once accepted into a law school, students should make sure all deposits are paid, otherwise they may lose their place.

Even if a student is rejected by a law school, some schools do allow students to appeal the decision. But before appealing the decision, students should consider why the application should be reconsidered.

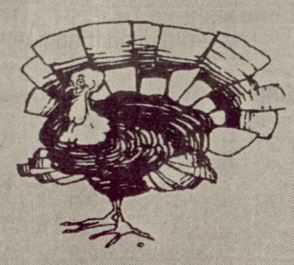
"Law professors think that their job is not to spoon feed you the law. Their job is to discuss theory, law concepts, logic, analysis --what does this case mean, how is it different from the last case we read, how does it differ from the next case. "

But Long also recommended that students be as inconspicuous as possible once in class.

## Holiday History

Sylvia Fields
*Current Sauce*

Thanksgiving Day originated in the autumn of 1621 when Plymouth Governor William Bradford invited neighboring Indians to join the Pilgrims for a three-day festival of recreation and feasting in gratitude for the bounty of the harvest.



In 1789 President George Washington, at the request of Congress, proclaimed Nov. 26 as Thanksgiving Day, but the day was only observed in northern states. Thanksgiving Day became an institution throughout New England, and the fourth Thursday in November was officially proclaimed as a national holiday by President Abraham Lincoln in 1863.

During 1939 President Franklin D. Roosevelt changed the holiday to the third Thursday of the month, but by 1941 Thanksgiving was moved back to the fourth Thursday.

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## Our View

# Protect Yourself

## Danger is closer than you think

Northwestern is dedicating the next few weeks to educating students on sexual assault — a topic that has been ignored too long.

With the increase of sexual assaults in this country, college students need to be aware of how to prevent sexual assault.

We were happy to know that the SGA is getting involved by holding a free speech forum about sexual assault. And the counselors at Northwestern are offering informative sessions on the topic at the various dorms on campus. The office of Counseling and Career Services also has three licensed professional counselors trained to give help in sexual assault cases such as rape and date rape.

Unfortunately, most of the seminars are only presented in the women's dormitories. Men need to be made aware of assault and sexual assault and how to prevent it, too. All students are in equal danger of abuse. It is not fair to inform the women and think men do not have a problem with it because another aspect of sexual assault is sexual harassment.

Offensive or risque jokes, unwelcomed passes and propositions are no longer being tolerated. The line between flirting and sexual harassment is thin, and in today's society all students will benefit from education on the differences. In the workplace of the future, an uneducated mistake will be costly. Both men and women need to be aware what sexual harassment is, how to prevent it and what to do when it happens. Fortunately, the student handbook finally has a detailed section explaining what to do if sexual harassment occurs on campus.

*The line between flirting and sexual harassment is thin, and in today's society all students will benefit from education on the differences*

What we still do not see is change in campus safety. Northwestern remains in the dark. Most of the buildings on campus have little lighting during the night which forces students to walk in the dark. Students could drive to night classes, but many do not have vehicles and the parking lots have horrible lighting anyway.

The administration has now provided the "walking mall plaza" which prevents cars from parking safely near the buildings. The University wants to increase enrollment by making Northwestern's campus more beautiful but, who wants to attend a beautiful campus where you can't walk around safely. Instead of talking about the problem, why not do something about it. A few extra lights around the lake and buildings on campus would make a great deal of difference in campus safety. Just replacing the dim, yellow "aesthetic" bulbs with light bulbs that actually project light would be a good beginning. Also, lights are a lot cheaper than paying for extra police officers or law suits from assaulted students.

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# Get though the holidays without the extra stuffing



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## Guest Column

Food. With Thanksgiving just around the corner and the holiday season fast approaching, that is a topic on all of our minds. Turkey and dressing, casseroles, salads, ham, pies, cakes and cookies—it's all for delicious and for the most part, fattening. So, what's a person to do, starve? Absolutely not.

The holiday season is a time for celebrating, relaxing and enjoying yourself. However, for many individuals who suffer from an eating disorder, the holidays can be a constant reminder of their problems and struggle to be thin. Even for those who do not suffer from an eating disorder, the holidays can be a challenge, particularly if the individual tends to overeat.

What we must realize is that food is our friend. We must have food in order to function; that's the way our bodies were designed.

But alas, we were not designed to be an "eatin' machine." When we overeat, the excess is stored as fat and thus, we often acquire extra unsightly "baggage" that can lead to several problems such as obesity, heart disease, high blood pressure and a lack of self-esteem, just to name a few.

However, there is hope for the hopeless. We need not fast to be thin or maintain weight. Self control, calorie counting and meal planning can help make the holidays happy days.

With that in mind, here are a few tips to remember when feasting this holiday season. First, never skip a meal to "save up" for a bigger meal later. Your stomach can still only hold the same amount as it could before, and skipping meals inevitably leads to overeating and a guilty conscience later.

Second, keep in mind that the average male only needs 2,900 Kcal. a day and an average woman needs only 2,100 Kcal. per day. Thus, you should plan your meals accordingly.

Next, remember that the human body is designed to work. So just because you're out on vacation doesn't mean your workout should take a vacation as well.

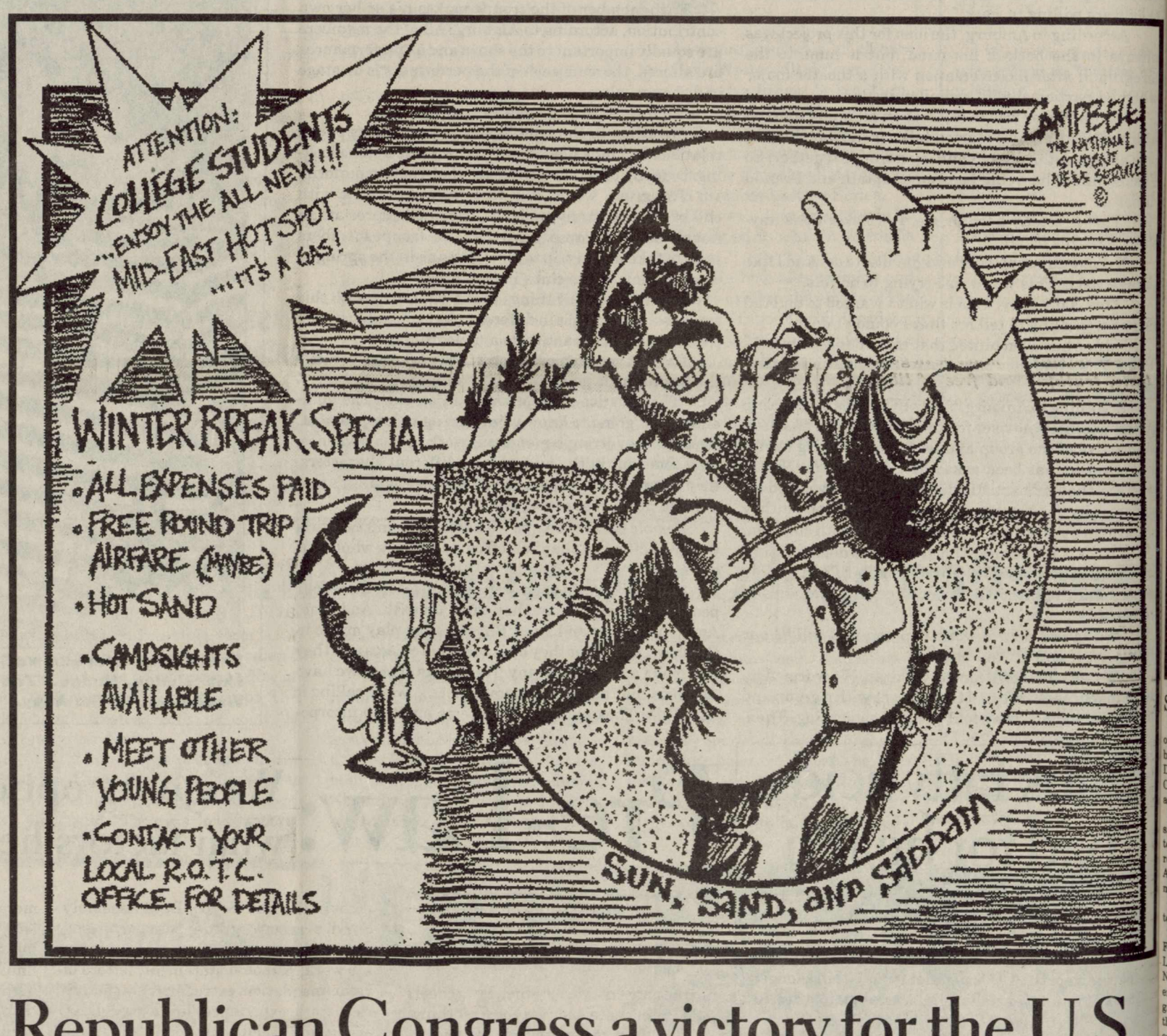
Individuals wanting to maintain or lose weight should exercise at least three times a week for at least 30 minutes. In addition to aiding in weight control exercise is beneficial for the heart and overall health.

Also, be aware that you can eat the foods you like; just exercise portion control and consider substituting low-fat or no-fat foods for those richer, more fattening foods. For example, use skim milk instead of whole; use fat free butter or "Butter Buds" as a substitute for butter or margarine; and try eating fruit for dessert and snacks rather than sweets.

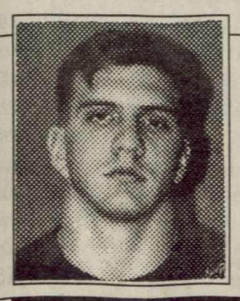
Additionally, drinking eight to 12 glasses of water daily can help your body better metabolize its food. Alcohol intake should be kept to a minium. Also, calorie and fat intake can be considerably lowered by trimming fat and skin off meats. Furthermore, foods should be baked, grilled, poached or broiled rather than fried.

Lastly, decide beforehand what is most important to you. Meaning, if you know you are going to want dessert after the meal, eat a smaller meal. Or consider avoiding seconds on the dressing if you know that pumpkin pie will be calling your name.

Remember, being healthy means eating healthy. The holidays are meant to be enjoyed, so use these tips to help ease your dieting dilemma and give yourself more time to contemplate the real meaning of this Thanksgiving season. Remember, that's the reason for the meal.




# Republican Congress a victory for the U.S.



**Andrew**Martin

## The Bottom Line

Never in my life have I been so pleased to read the political section of the newspaper.

There is a good reason for that. The United States has finally come to its senses and started to look at things from the "right" point of view. I'm referring to the Republican Party's sweeping victories in last Tuesday's elections that should enable this country to get headed in a positive direction again.

"We got the message," Bill Clinton said in a post-election press conference on Tuesday. I should hope he got the message that the public sent him because it was very obvious to me. The Republicans have control of Congress for the first time in 40 years. It would be very hard to express disapproval for the way that the Democrats have been doing things much clearer than that. The American public said in an unmistakable manner that they want lower taxes, smaller government, more personal freedom, hard-line approaches to crime and welfare problems, limited revision of the health care programs and most importantly a return to traditional values and morals. Clinton's weak-handed approaches to such things as "rehabilitating" criminals, keeping guns in the hands of criminals (out of the hands of law abiding citizens) and the socialization of our health care system will not cut it, and the voting public has spelled that out for him very plainly.

*"Hopefully, a Republican Congress will be able to keep our rights out of the grasp of the Oval Office Idiot"*

These next two years should prove interesting as the GOP's plans, which make quite a bit of sense, are presented to Clinton. The Republicans want to enact Congressional term limitations which is a measure that the American public has mandated. Clinton opposes this move.

The Republicans want to spend more money on defense to maintain our position as a world super power capable of defending ourselves and our allies. Clinton does not agree.

The Republicans want to pass a balanced budget amendment that would prevent the government from spending more money than it can afford. A third grader could tell you legislation like that makes sense. However, Clinton opposes it (which should tell you something about his mentality).

The 1994 crime bill is also a target of the GOP's agenda. They want to eliminate Clinton's weak and ineffective crime prevention programs and increase funding to build prisons. They also want to make a jail sentence mandatory for people arrested on drug-related charges along with repealing ineffective gun control measures like the Brady Bill. Clinton opposes measures like these which would toughen the government's position on crime prevention.

Hopefully, a Republican Congress will be able to keep our rights out of the grasp of the Oval Office Idiot. Somewhere up above our founding fathers are smiling at the prospect of a Republican Congress which should save us from a socialization of government programming and more intense violation of our constitutional rights, — programs I'm sure they did not have in mind when they established this nation. I cannot even think about exactly how much more damage Clinton would have been able to accomplish with two more years of a Democratic Congress. I can only thank God that this disaster has been averted and thank the Republican party for saving the future of this nation.

# Campus Forum

Tuesday, November 15, 1994

**News and Views from the Northwestern Community**





## Forum Directory

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***Campus Connection***

The staff of the *Current Sauce* invites all campus organizations to send announcements for publication in Campus Connection. However, we remind organizations of the guidelines involved. Campus Connection submissions must be brought to Rm. 225 by noon on the Monday before Tuesday publication.

All submissions should be **less than 100 words** and should pertain solely to **meetings, announcements and upcoming activities**. Birthday greetings, congratulations and/or product advertisements should be submitted as paid classified ads.

***Letters to the editor***

Should be no more than 300 words and must include the signature of the author, the author's classification, major and phone number for fact verification.

***Forum Viewpoint***

This section provides students the opportunity to express their views in a column-type format. Each submission should be between 400-500 words and include the author's signature and phone No. We will take a mandatory photo of the author to be published with materials received. Columns must be written professionally and include no personal controversy.

***Current Quotes***

Current Quotes are gathered by members of the *Current Sauce* staff. The purpose is to present student opinions on a subject selected by the editorial staff. Students featured in this section are selected in no particular order on the Northwestern campus.

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## SGA MINUTES FOR 10/31/94

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. The pledge of allegiance was led by Ramona Reed and the prayer was led by Jocob Johnson. Jonathan Gautneir called roll and Amy Daffler, Sherard Joseph, Melissa Mabou, Misty Mayeux, and Chris Nicholas were not present. The minutes were approved as being read.

Wendy called for officer's reports and Clay Gardener said that last Fiscal Affairs committee disributed the letters to the organizations that receive our student fees. He has received all budgets except for the Rodeo Team, KNWD, Argus series, and the Alumni Center. Club Sports committee meets next Monday.

Jacinda said that the month is over and that she needs to see a list of the meeting attendance.

Blair introduced Mrs. Elise James and Mr. Brian Flaggler. Mrs. James gave a history of the Northwestern/Louisiana Tech rivalry. Mr. Flaggler announced that tickets Northwestern/Tech game could be purchased an Northwestern Fieldhouse for five dollars and tickets will be sold at the game for twelve dollars. Mrs. James encouraged all to attend this exciting event. T-shirts will be sold at the Fieldhouse. At one o'clock there will be a caravan leaving from the coliseum and the mayor will lead it to Ruston. Live band, refreshments, and a tailgate party are some of the events that will take place.

Blair asked how many senators were interested in playing a flag football game against La. Tech's SGA on Saturday morning. He passed around a sheet for senators to sign up.

Blair got names and times of committees from chairpersons. You are only allowed to miss four SGA meetings. Office hours do not necessarily have to be done in the SGA office.

Wendy called for committee reports and she said that Club Sports will meet next Monday and the Horse Judging Team will be there.

Dana announced that Free Speech Committee will be meeting this Wednesday at 3:30. She and Jason met with Dr. Alost and they had a conference call with the Cable organization. They along with Dr. Alost, Dr. McBride, and Jerry Pierce are going to Baton Rouge and prepare for the gubernatorial forum for either April, August, or September. A forum is tentatively scheduled for November 29.

Mary Ann McDaniel announced that Campus Improvements will meet tomorrow at 5:30 in the office. They are looking into getting pay phones for dorm lobbies. They are looking into getting 55 gallon trash cans. They are talking to the Vo-tech about making barbecue pits and park benches. Will is supposed to be working on getting the parking lots repainted. Blair said Will could talk about this with Lauren Lindsey.

Wendy called for old business. There was none.

Wendy called for new business and Mark moved to appoint Madelyn Boudreaux, Ken Posey, David Douzat, and Kiniki Lloyd to the Student Supreme Court. The motion passed with one abstention . The Student Supreme Court is meeting this Wednesday at 4:30 in the SGA conference room to hear the Kappa Sigma appeal. Blair swore in the new Student Supreme Court justices.

Wendy called for special reports. There were none. She called for announcements and Mark announced that Academic Affairs will meet tomorrow at 3:30 in Prudomme Hall.

Blair announced the SAB can drive and for us to support this worthy cause.

Rick announced the SAB movies for Halloween.

Chris announced that Traffic and Safety will meet at five o'clock this Thursday.

Jacob announced that Student Services will this Thursday.

Pete moved adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

# Nostalgia for Old South belies racism



**Mick Dorsey**

**Forum Viewpoint**

The article written some weeks ago on slave auctions was not directed to you or anyone of your kind.

It was directed to my brothers and sisters who blindly imitate something that obviously you and others like to keep fresh in people's minds. And you say we keep bringing up the past. Hell, what do you think your doing with these slave auctions, rebel flags and "preserve the Old South" shirts? It doesn't appear to me or anyone else that you wish to forget those times of bondage, whether it's mental or physical. In fact, we could swear that you and others like you would desperately like to have those days of old return. Am I lying? Never mind, don't answer.

If you have read and understood the article correctly, you would have clearly seen that it said, "how could people of color...." I'm sure you're intelligent enough to have noticed that? Just like Charles Murray said in his book *The Bell Curve*, White's IQ's are much higher than black IQ's because of their genes. Yeah, right. Let us give everyone who believes that an IQ test created by us and lets see how well they do.

By you trying to make this into a "racial" thing, you must feel somewhat guilty about what was said about your forefathers? Why? It wasn't you or your friends that did it. It was your forefathers who you have now become recipients of and are in some way reaping the benefits from whether you want to believe it or not. Is this why you're so defensive? Hmmmm.

And why is it okay for Jewish people to mention the horrors of the holocaust and "antisemitisism" if black people speak about slavery?

Before you use the word racism again, be sure you know exactly what it means and where it should be applied. Many types of racism are evident—overted, coverted, institutionalize, internalized etc.. I know, I know, the word just sounds so easy to say, especially when you hear black people bringing up the truth whether it's past or present, about some type of grievance that they're going through, which in most cases, indirectly, has something to do with past events we both know of. If you think the oppressed people of the world are tooting their horns just to cause a nuisance, then maybe you need to try the experiment by John Howard Griffin, a hit man, who wrote the book *Black Like Me*, who has actually been in the shoes of a black person and knows for a fact that we get treated like "three-fifths" of a human in many situations.

And yes, we do sometimes call each other by the names you mentioned, but to find the cause and cure of this will take longer that a few hundred years. This intentional seed of racism was planted deep within the ground. And the cause of this paralysis of the mind and soul will not and cannot be easily healed.

Now if you and others like yourself want to try, I mean really try and better the conditions of the races so that everyone can get what's called "a piece of the pie," then let's find answers and solutions to present to the people with power and see how far we get.

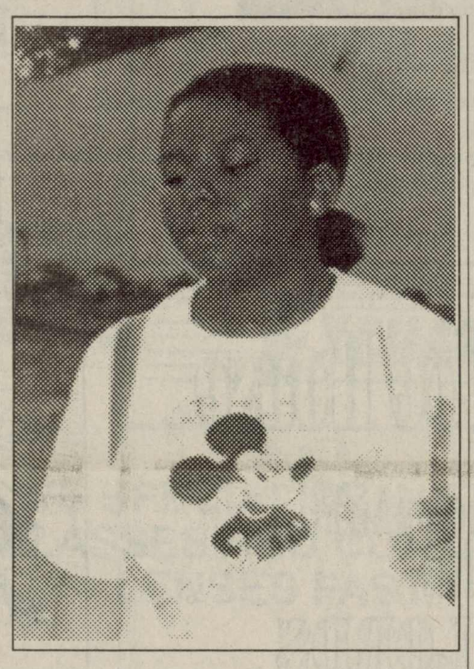
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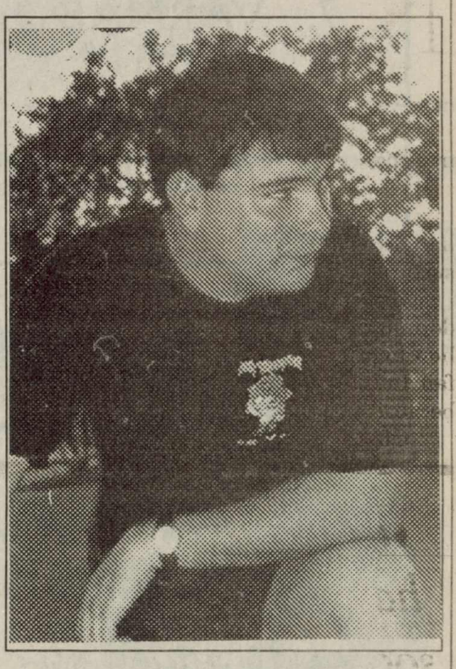
***Jennifer Shriner***
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"They could put more lights on campus and give females a course on assault."



***Johnny Thibodeaux***
***Stonewall***
"More lighted areas and more patrolling by police."



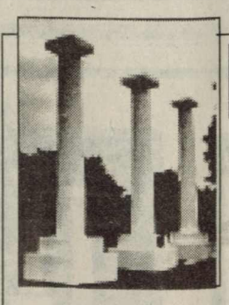
***Lola Johnson***
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***Nursing***
"I feel they should have more lighting. If people go out, they should go out in a groups."



***Derek Rabuck***
***Elizabeth***
***Journalism***
"First of all, we need better lighting. Also, the police should drive around campus more."

## Racism an issue in the Smith Case


Stephanie Gardner
*NSU Student*

**Your View**

**Letters to the editor**

As it turns out, the murderous criminals in the saga of Michael and Alexander Smith look like an innocuous young white woman with wisps of teased hair.

But while her invention failed to save her, Smith was scheming in a long and effective tradition. For centuries men and women have denied their own deadly impulses by recasting them in the features of some unknowing outsider. Depending on the time and place the villains might be Jews, immigrants, long hairs, or blacks, whoever might do as targets for the shred anxieties of the age. (Time Nov. 14, 1994 pg. 46.) Susan Smith's actions were indeed racist and dangerous to the black male, whom she pointed the finger at for abducting her children. Every black male in Union, S.C. went on trial the moment she stated that it was a black man. I'm afraid to think what would have happened if she had not turned herself in. Would we be seeing the trial of the black man who stole her children instead of them finding the real killer? Think about it. If you do I'm sure you would acknowledge that the answer is yes.

## Whitmire uneducated


Edwina Nicholson
*NSU Student*


This letter is in response to the one that was written on Nov. 8 by Mike Whitmire.

Unfortunately, unintelligent comments made by uneducated people about subjects which they have no knowledge is the reason for half the problems that we have in the United States.

Whitmire was correct in that many dedicate their lives in an attempt to scare people.

However, he failed to note that only those who want to be scared and lack knowledge can be scared.

I agree that opposition to U.S. involvement in Haiti was partially due to race bias. Opposition was not as vehement when U.S. affairs ranged from trying to save the Russian economy to throwing out dictators anywhere but Haiti.

Let it be noted that the United States was more welcomed in Haiti than they have been anywhere else for a long time

Whitmire points out that why should we, African-Americans, be "bitching and moaning" when once again we have been blamed for another's crime.

I commend the Union Station police for not blindly believing this deranged woman, perhaps they had learned their lesson previously, when a "white" man killed his pregnant wife and shot himself. A black male was blamed.

This is not the first nor last time that someone will capitalize upon the view that all black males are criminally minded.

As for affirmative action, it will always be needed, until more of those from the majority race can affirm to us in the minority, that we no longer need to seek action to see that we are treated rightly and fairly.

Lastly, white Americans should remember that we are all immigrants and only the Native American is true.

## CampusConnection

**Black Student Association**

BSA will host "Table Topics III" from 7:30 to 8:45 p.m. Wednesday in the President's Room of the Student Union.

The theme will be "The Color Complex in the African American Community." Everyone is invited to please bring one or more canned goods to the table topics.

All members are also asked to bring all donated canned goods to Rm. 104 S. Sabine or call 5531.

Also BSA t-shirts are here--$10 each. Contact Stephanie at 357-5531, Lawrence at 356-9473 or Mick at 356-9266.

**Sigma Kappa**

The meeting Sunday has been canceled. Our next meeting is 7:30 p.m. Nov. 27; it will be informal.

The Tau Kappa Epsilon exchange is tonight at the Body. The theme is "Dead Legends."

The Christmas Mystery Dance will be from 9:30 to 12:30 Dec. 2. Don't forget to get your date invited. Dance fee and t-shirt money are due Friday.

Go support our IM volleyball team — we are undefeated.

Panhellenic officer installation is at 6:30 p.m. Nov. 29 in the Student Union. Come support our new Panhellenic vice president.

**Delta Sigma Theta**

The ladies of Delta Sigma Theta will give out red ribbons and peppermint canesto black males tomorrow from noon to 1 p.m. Also, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Thursday, Delta will throw a "Phat Jam" at the Holiday Inn Ballroom. Ladies' admission is $3, men's admission is $2. Greek admission is also $2. Please bring a canned good.

Any males interested in being in a "Sophisticated Gents" calender should call 356-9251 for more information.

**Walt Disney World**

Representatives from Walt Disney World will discuss student work opportunities at the Business Administration Building at Louisiana State University in Shreveport at 7:30 p.m. Thursday. Contact Steve Horton at 357-5339 for more details.

***Current Sauce***

All *Current Sauce* staff members, reporters and photographers, must attend a brief meeting at 5 p.m. tomorrow in Rm. 225 Kyser Hall. Final assignments for the semester will be given out.

**Circle K**

Circle K meets at 6 p.m. every Tuesday in the Faculty Lounge in the Student Union.

**Pre-Law Society**

Pre-Law Society meets at 6 p.m. on the first and third Monday of every month in the **SGA office.**

# SPORTS TALK: Ducks flock to the Rose Bowl

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will end the run of good fortune for the Tide and spoil a second national title in three years for Alabama.

Arizona will take a consolation prize on New Year's Day and beat up on Rice in the Cotton Bowl. Rice has been perhaps a bigger Cinderella story than Oregon this season. Under new coach Ken Hatfield, the Owls have taken advantage of Texas A&M's probation and raced into a spot for the conference title for the first time in half a century. My feeling says go with the Owls to represent the fading Southwest Conference—but don't expect them to last past halftime against the Wildcats in Dallas on Jan. 1. Prediction: Don't bother to watch.

The other big bowl game on New Year's Day is the Fiesta, where I think the perfect match up would be SEC runner up Florida, who should finish at 9-3, and Colorado at 10-1. The Gators have hurt themselves this season with quarterback changes on a weekly basis, and the confusion should show the final two games of the season at Florida State and Alabama in the conference championship. Colorado has played a killer schedule but will be denied the national title by its convincing loss to Nebraska. Prediction: The Buffaloes end up 11-1 and No. 2 in the nation.

There it is, the *Sports Talk* prediction of the Jan. 1 lineup: Penn State vs. Oregon in the Rose; Nebraska vs. Miami in the Orange; Alabama vs. Florida State in the Sugar; Arizona vs. Rice in the Cotton; and Florida vs. Colorado in the Fiesta. What could upset this formula? If Florida can beat the Seminoles and Tide, the Sugar and Fiesta would probably switch match ups. If Miami gets upset in the final weeks of the season, who would face Nebraska in the Orange Bowl, with No. 2 Penn State tied to the Rose and No. 3 Florida obligated to the Sugar as SEC champ?

If the 'Huskers and Nittany Lions go into their games as co-No. 1's, is Oregon on par with Nebraska's opponent in the Orange Bowl? If Nebraska squeaks out a win over Miami, and Penn State blows out the Ducks, should both remain as co-champions? Whewww! That's a lot of "ifs." The problem with college football is that no team truly controls its own destiny because every bowl game on New Year's Day will depend on the others.

Playoffs, anyone?


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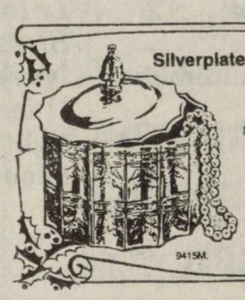
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# Sports Briefs

**BASKETBALL:** The Demons will play an exhibition game at 7 tonight against VASDA in Prather Coliseum.

**VOLLEYBALL:** The Lady Demons wrapped up its Southland Conference season Thursday, and ended its regular-season schedule last night with a match against Southwestern Louisiana.

Northwestern lost to Sam Houston 15-1, 16-14, 15-6 Wednesday and fell to Stephen F. Austin 15-0, 15-4, 15-8 Thursday to finish with an 0-13 mark in conference play.

The Lady Demons knocked off Centenary Tuesday 12-15, 15-6, 15-9, 15-13 and carried a 10-19 overall record into Monday's match with Southwestern Louisiana.

Tiffany Cronin had 16 kills and nine blocks in the Lady Demons' win over Centenary. Eva Cutting added 14 kills, three service aces and 14 digs, and Sunnye Linn had 12 kills.

Cronin had 10 kills against league-leading Sam Houston, and Karen Hill had seven kills and 10 digs.

Hill and Amy Warren had six kills apiece in Northwestern's loss to Stephen F. Austin.

**CROSS COUNTRY:** Northwestern's men and women finished their cross country seasons at the NCAA Region VI Championships in College Station, Texas.

Danielle Schaeffer, the top Lady Demon all season long, finished 38th. She ran the 5,000 meter course in 18:39. Robin Meyers finished 53rd at the meet in 19:09.

Schaeffer finished 10th among Southland Conference runners.

Robert Bonner led the Demon men with a time of 33:58 over the 10,000 meter course and finished 79th.

Megan Flowers, of Arkansas, won the women's race in 16:41, and the Razorbacks' Jason Bunston won the men's title in 30:06.

Arkansas captured the men's and women's championship, and Baylor's men and women both came in second place.

**GOLF:** The Demons finished 11th out of 12 teams in the 11th Annual Hal Sutton Invitational in Shreveport.

Texas-San Antonio won the team title with 886. Northwestern's final score was 929.

Jim Crotty posted a 227 for the 54-hole tournament to pace Northwestern. Todd Archambault shot a 237, Jason Myatt finished at 238 and Nathan Baudo finished with a 240.

**WOMEN'S BASKETBALL:** Joskeen Garner recorded a triple double to lead the White team past the Purple team 87-84 Saturday in the annual Northwestern State Lady Demon Purple and White scrimmage.

Garner scored 36 points on 17 of 22 shooting from the field, including a half-court buzzer-beater to the end of the first half. She hauled down 16 rebounds and had 11 assists.

Angela Lucuis added 16 points for the White squad, and Stephanie Williams had 14 points and had nine boards.

Bridget Williams scored 26 points and had eight rebounds for the Purple team. Stephanie Shaw had 16 points for the Purple team, Amanda Cooper had 12 points and six boards, and Shirlynda Williams added 10 points.

Northwestern entertains the Hungarian National Team Nov. 23.

# MATTHEWS: Player adds depth to Demon football

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ing yards, over 400 yards receiving and 26 touchdowns.

Matthews seemingly had a bright future ahead, with schools such as Notre Dame, Miami, and Colorado, as well as every college in Louisiana battling to recruit him.

But the star ran into a roadblock during his senior season when a mysterious hip injury scared everyone away—everyone except Northwestern.

"When it happened [the hip injury], everyone said I would never play football again," Matthews said. "Everyone except Northwestern told me I was finished with football."

In 1992, Matthews' freshman year at Northwestern, he saw limited time on special teams. Former Demon star Brad Brown was the offensive leader when Matthews began his college year, and the young prospect learned a lot from him.

"Brad Brown was someone I really looked up to," Matthews said. "He reminds me a lot of myself—a pretty good athlete with Christian beliefs. He helped me a lot."

Expecting to see a lot of action in 1993, Matthews again hit another setback. On the morning of the fourth game of the season, he was forced to undergo an emergency appendectomy and was lost for the rest of the season. The injury enabled him gain a medical redshirt year, but it slowed his planned assault on the Demon record book.

"The appendectomy has slowed me as far as my personal goals of what I want to accomplish at Northwestern," Matthews said. "If that had not happened I think I would be well ahead of where I need to be to break some of the school records. When I finish I want to be considered the best running back in Northwestern history. If I can stay healthy the rest of the way, I think I've got a shot."

Matthews has goals of playing in the NFL some day, and thinks that with a couple of injury-free seasons, such as 1994, he has a good shot to make it to the next level.

The lure of the NFL and all the wealth that is associated with it appeals to Matthews in a different way than most athletes these days. If he can make it in professional football, he has one priority—to take care of his family.

"My dad was injured a few years ago and my mother had to work two or three jobs sometimes to get us through," Matthews said. "I've seen my mom wake up and go to work early in the morning to pay the bills. She has worked hard and given me and my four brothers everything we've needed, and I want to be able to take her out of that situation. I want to be able to take care of my parents and give them something back." But Matthews isn't just preparing for an NFL career to help his family. He knows that there is a good chance that he might not play at the next level.

To that end he has worked hard in the classroom and earned a spot on the Northwestern Athletic Honor Roll for the 1994 spring semester. As a criminal justice major, if he cannot make the jump to professional football, Matthews would gladly settle for a career as an FBI agent.

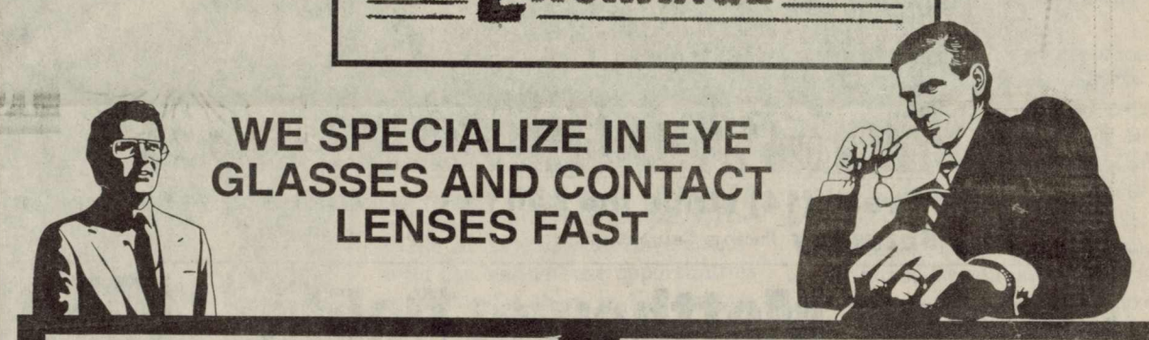
"I know from my personal experiences that injuries happen in football," Matthews said. "I don't want to be just a football player in college with nothing to fall back on. I know that athletes have some extra pressures put on them when it comes to grades, but it is really just a case of managing your time wisely. I have placed an emphasis on academics because I know what it's like to not have much."

With approximately six hours a day spent with football, it would be hard to believe that Matthews could find the time to study. With all the time spent having to balance a sport and class load, Matthews feels that student athletes should receive something more than just a scholarship from the university. "I feel that players should get paid something for the amount of time they put in on the field," Matthews said. "Scholarships help, but we put in so much time and hard work to play a sport that I definitely think there is a need for compensation."

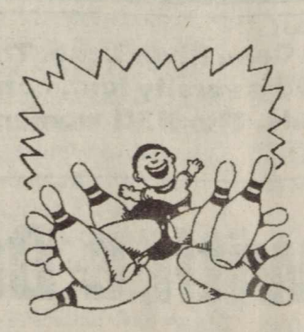

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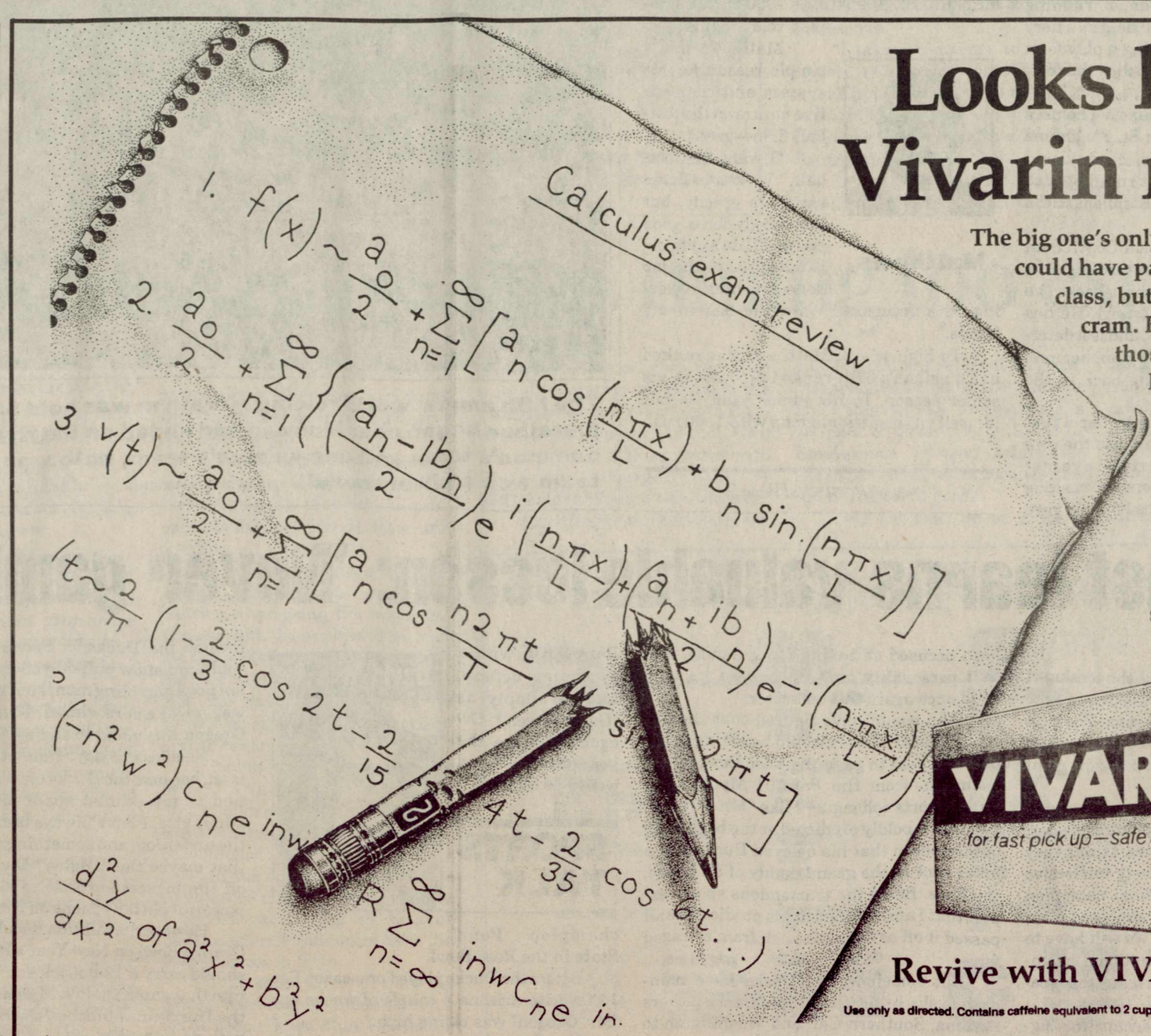
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# Take Away



**Tremayne Evans (14) strips the ball from a McNeese receiver during the Demons' 28-7 loss Saturday** Photo by Chad Sullivan

# Not this year

## Football's hopes for playoff berth die at hands of McNeese

Mike Whitmire
*Current Sauce*

Overcast weather at Turpin Stadium Saturday afternoon matched Northwestern's performance on the field.

McNeese State took advantage of an injury-riddled Demon squad and whipped the Demons 28-7 in front of 10,300 fans.

The win moved the 11th-ranked Cowboys to 8-2 on the season and 4-1 in SLC play, and the Demons dropped to 5-5 and 3-2.

Any playoff aspirations the Demons had went up in flames. A winning season and bringing Chief Caddo back to Northwestern are all the Demons will be playing for Saturday when they visit Stephen F. Austin in the season finale.

"We stunk it up in the second half," said Northwestern Coach Sam Goodwin, disappointed with the Demons performance in a game with playoff implications on the line.

"It is very discouraging. We have not been in this situation for a few years," he said. "And we had to play awfully well to get here."

The Demons took a 7-0 lead in the first quarter when Brad Laird dove into the end zone from one yard out to cap a 12-play 83-yard drive.

Northwestern had several chances to up the advantage before halftime, but the Demon offense misfired on every occasion.

After a botched punt attempt by the Cowboys, Northwestern took over at the McNeese 39.

On Northwestern's first play, Preston Arnold broke free behind the defense but dropped Laird's pass near the three yard line that went for a touchdown.

The Northwestern drive was stopped at the 13 without a score after a Jason Fernandez 30-yard field goal attempt missed wide to the right.

Northwestern took over possession at midfield on its next opportunity and drove to the 33, but Laird misfired on third down a was sacked for a 7-yard loss on fourth do to end the threat.

Midway through the second period, t Demons again marched down the field, b on third-and-17 Zack Bronson picked Laird at the two yardline.

The Cowboys took the ball 90 yards 10 plays to tie the game. McNeese quart back Kerry Joseph hit five of six passes the drive for 86 yards, including a 30-ya scoring strike to Terence Davis that knott the score at 7-7 going into intermission.

In the second half, McNeese assert itself on the defensive side and Joseph pick apart Northwestern's injury-plagued se ondary.

Joseph ended the game with a seaso high 263 yards passing, hitting 18 of attempts with no interceptions and thr touchdowns through the air.

Coming into the game, Joseph had ju two touchdown passes and nine interce tions.

McNeese took the lead for good wh Henry Fields dove over the pile from the on and Jose Larios booted the point after fo 14-7 lead.

The five-play, 31-yard drive was set when Laird fumbled a snap from center.

Bronson set up the Cowboys third touc down drive when he picked off a Laird pa at the McNeese 18 and returned it 21 yar

Ten plays later Joseph found Micha Warren for a 15-yard touchdown toss increase the Cowboy lead to 21-7.

McNeese sealed the victory with ju over four minutes left by putting togethe 12-play, 92-yard scoring drive that w capped by Joseph hitting Marrico Willia from 3 yards out.

Clarence Matthews was one of the fe bright spots for Northwestern, gaining yards on the ground on 18 attempts. He a caught seven passes for 36 yards, and turned four kickoffs for 115 yards.

Jared Johnston caught four passes the Demons for 61 yards.

Laird was 19 for 32 passing for 1 yards and two interceptions.

Goodwin is concerned with how the te will respond to next week's challenge.

"This will be the toughest week of t year," he said. "We will have to have so guys step up and motivate themselves can't do it alone."

# Demons' Matthews: Polite, Fiery, greedy for the football

David Weaver
*Current Sauce*

Clarence Matthews, the student, is known around Northwestern's campus as a "nice guy"—polite, soft-spoken and intelligent.

But Matthews, the Demon running back, is known on the football field as a fiery competitor capable of breaking a play for a touchdown every time he touches the football.

Matthews, a 5-8, 175-pound sophomore criminal justice major from St. Augustine High School in New Orleans, is considered by many as perhaps the best running back at Northwestern since John Stephens in the mid-80s.

According to Demon Head Coach Sam Goodwin in the 1994 Demon media guide, Matthews is "one the top running backs I've had in my time at Northwestern. He has good quickness, leg strength, and is a determined runner. Although just a sophomore, he could be the best running back in the league this year."

Matthews has done little to dispel that statement this season. Going into the conference showdown Saturday against McNeese, he led the Demons in rushing with 764 yards on 112 carries for a 6.8 yard average and nine touchdowns, including an 80-yard scoring scamper against Nicholls earlier this season.

He has also caught 12 passes for 122 yards, for a 10.2 yard receiving average, and he averages 147.2 yards a game all-purpose yardage. On top of all this, he is a member of the Demon track team and was a key performer in St. Augustine's 1990 state champion relay teams.



**Matthews**

Matthews has a simple reason for his success and competitive nature on the football field—greed.

"I want the football," he said. "Some say I am greedy, but I'm greedy for a good cause. I'll do anything it takes to get the job done—rushing, receiving, kick returns. I want the ball in my hands."

In high school, Matthews was ranked as Louisiana's 67th-ranked prospect in his senior season. In his junior year, he put himself on the national map with 1300 rush

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# One In A Row



**The fifth annual world rowing marathon was held Saturday on Cane River Lake. The 26-mile marathon began near Melrose and ended on the riverbank. NSU's varsity four, consisting of one men's team and one women's team, both won gold medals. The NSU women's novice team won a silver medal.** Photo by Jeff Fletcher

# Columnist learns valuable lesson: 'Never gamble with a Duck'

## SPORTS TALK

David Weaver



Let's go bowling.

No, I'm not talking about the tossing of an overweight ball down a wooden lane to knock over some defenseless pins. The type of bowling I want to talk about is college bowling, which is picking up steam right now.

For those who were unfortunate enough to miss the first *Sports Talk* of the semester, I am not a big fan of bowl games. I think they are an outdated and extremely ineffective method of selecting a national champion through polls. But, since my proposed playoff plan hasn't taken effect, we will have to endure yet another paper national champion or, as will probably turn out this season, a co-champion.

Let's talk first about perhaps the biggest surprise of the season. I have at times been accused of having a big mouth, and that personality trait has raised its ugly head once again this semester.

Who would have figured that the Oregon "Mighty" Ducks would be sitting in the catbird's seat to go to the Rose Bowl as the champion from the Pac-10? My *Current Sauce* sports colleague, Mike "Mr. Oregon" Whitmire, boldly predicted at the beginning of the season that his beloved Ducks had a great shot at the grand daddy of all bowls, the Rose. Being the tremendous sports expert that I am, I scoffed at his prediction and passed it off as a simple wish from a crazed fan.

But somehow, the Ducks have managed to slip by perennial conference powers Arizona, Southern Cal, and Washington to control their own destiny in the race for the Rose Bowl. With a swarming defense known simply as "Gang Green," Oregon could be the last obstacle for a would-be national champion Penn State in the Rose Bowl.

Before the Ducks played preseason Pac-10 favorite Arizona a couple of weeks ago, "Mr. Oregon" was riding high.

In order to spice up the game, I vowed to include the Ducks in *Sports Talk* if they could somehow pull off yet another upset. I am not a gambling man, but I knew that this wager was a sure winner. There was no way Oregon was going to slip by Arizona.

Needless to say, I am still no betting man, because the Ducks have received mention in my column space. But, I have to admit also, I have always been a sucker for the underdog, and something makes me feel that maybe the "Mighty" Ducks could pull off the biggest surprise of all against the powerful Nittany Lions on New Year's Day.

However, attention should turn to the Orange Bowl on New Year's Day. Nebraska should carry a 12-0 mark and No. 1 ranking into that game against Miami, granted that the Hurricanes finished the rest of the way with no setbacks.

The Cornhuskers and 'Canes could tu out to be the national title game shou Oregon shock No. 2 Penn State in the Ro Bowl. Prediction: Tom Osborne finally ge his due.

Alabama has played perhaps the ug est football of any national title contend this season, but if the Crimson Tide co defeat Auburn and Florida (SEC Champio ship Game) in its final two games, the 19 national champs would go into the Sug Bowl at 11-0. A probable opponent would b defending national champ Florida State who should be available at 10-1 after defea ing rival Florida in the final game of th Seminoles' regular season. Prediction: FS

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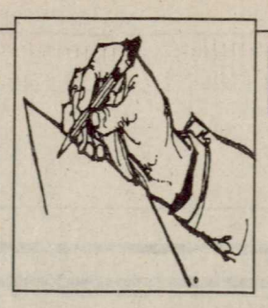
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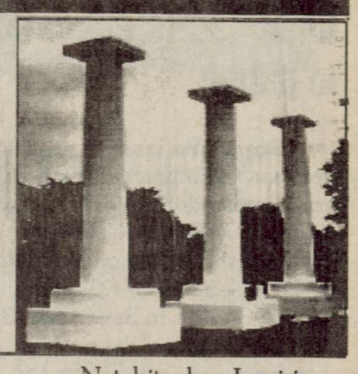
Northwestern student uses major to help in rock music career



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City need to make sure students, visitors, feel at home during festival


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# Christmas Gala leads NSU holiday activities

JANE BALDWIN AND LESLIE HENNIGAN
*Current Sauce*

Despite looming finals in December, Northwestern is getting into the Christmas spirit with a variety performances and activities for students during the last few days of school.

On Friday the Natchitoches-Northwestern Symphony Orchestra, chamber choir and theater students are combining once again to present the 1994 Christmas Gala at 10 a.m., noon and 7 p.m. in the A.A. Fredericks Fine Arts Auditorium.

The theme for this year's Christmas Gala is the story of Father Christmas and Grimsley Smudge. Smudge plots to kidnap Father Christmas and tries to keep Christmas from happening. The characters will be portrayed by theater students under the direction of Dr. Jack Wann, artistic director of Northwestern's theater program.

"Most of the students play the street urchins who rescue Father Christmas," Wann said. "They represent all the good kids who believe in Santa Clause."

Dance students will perform to the music of *Parade of the Dancing Soldiers* and from various selections Tchaikovsky's *Nutcracker*. The Natchitoches-Northwestern Symphony Orchestra and chamber choir will play Handel's *Messiah* at 7:30 pm. Wednesday in the Magale Recital Hall.

"The program is about the prophecy, birth, crucifixion and resurrection of Christ," Dr. George Adams, director of the orchestra, said. "All the words that the choir will be singing are from the Bible, strictly Old and New Testament."

Many students and student organizations gave a hand by donating hundreds of canned goods to the Natchitoches Parish Food Bank for the needy.

The Student Activities Board sponsored the can drive. SAB collected 2,546 cans from student organizations.

"A lot of times everybody only hears the negative things the students do but they never know the good stuff," Liz Carroll, assistant director of student activities, said. "We have been working on this for the past seven years and we have never had less than 1,200 cans donated. The kids really rally for this thing. They get out and really hustle up the cans." SAB is also sponsoring the annual window painting contest in the Student Union. Beginning Monday, student organizations painted a Christmas theme. Winners will be announced Thursday at 6:30 in the Student Union.

Non-traditional students will be able to bring their families to the SAB Christmas party 4:30 p.m. Thursday.

Students can watch the seasonal favorite, *A Christmas Story,* shown in the Student Union and take free pictures with Santa after the movie. Students can also take free pictures with Santa from 11:30 p.m. to 1 p.m. Monday through Wednesday in the Student Union.

## World Report

### CAMPUS

**BALLENGER PRESENTS LIBERAL ARTS EDUCATION PAPER AT GEORGIA CONFERENCE:** Grady Ballenger, associate professor of English at Northwestern, attended a meeting of the Association for General and Liberal Studies in Savannah, Ga. to discuss the liberal arts curriculum of Scholars' College. Ballenger traced the development of the College's four-year curriculum and its alternative to majors. **PAGE 2**

**NSU'S TELELEARNING PROGRAM NOMINATED AS FINALIST IN INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION:** The program, Science: Out of This World, will compete in the distance learning science category in the New York Festivals international non-broadcast media competition. **PAGE 2**

***ARGUS* ANNOUNCES FALL ART CONTEST WINNERS:** Three students received awards for their art submitted for the *Argus* art contest. First place went to David Alford Jr., "Hanging by a thread"; Shelly Davis, second place, "B Boys"; and Mark Burt, third place, "I am a flame." Other students who will have their art published in the *Argus* are M. Julyahana Walker, Charlotte Sullivan, Keith Elliot, Emmy DaCosta-Gomez and Renee Foote.

### CITY

**NATCHITOCHES PARISH BRIDGE REPLACEMENTS TO RECEIVE EMERGENCY FUNDS:** Rural bridge projects throughtout Natchitoches Parish and the state will receive emergency funding to replace 118 bridges that are deemed unsafe.

### STATE

**TEACHERS MAY NOT RECEIVE PAY BONUS:** Gov. Edwin Edwards said Monday that the $152 million one-time bonus for teachers this year may be postponed because of casino delays.

### NATION

**GAY/LESBIAN GROUP BAN ILLEGAL, UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT SAYS:** The president of Stephen F. Austin University has ordered that the school's student government recognize the Gay and Lesbian Student Association after student senators voted to deny the group certification. After heated debate, the Stephen F. Austin student government voted 30-26 to ban the GLSA because its members may participate in illegal behavior. But President Dan Angel revoked the vote, saying it violated the gay student group's First Amendment rights. "The Student Government Association is an entity of the state and cannot restrict speech or association just because many, or even most, people find opinions of a particular group repugnant."

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## Deck the Union



**One of the signs that the Christmas season has offically arrived at Nortwestern: Members of the Student Activities Board decorate the Christmas tree in the Student Union. The large tree is traditionally displayed in the lobby before Christmas.** PHOTO BY JEFF GUIN

# Kenpo karate provides means of self-defense

## Karate form offers fitness techniques, relief from stress

SARA FARRELL
*Current Sauce*

*Editor's Note: This is the second installment of our series on sexual assault. November is sexual assault prevention month.*

Concerned with defending themselves and their property, students in Natchitoches have discovered the self-defense opportunities available for them in the community.

"I think everybody should have a basic knowledge of how to defend themselves against anyone trying to harm them," Sensei Roy "Bruce" Adams, instructor for Northwestern's Kenpo Karate class, said. "I think all ladies should have a working knowledge of self-defense, whether they deal with weapons or not."

Adams, an instructor for 14 years, encourages people to obtain hand-combat skills, because people cannot always carry guns to defend themselves.

"I take self-defense to defend myself, to stay in shape, to help myself out physically and mentally and it's something I enjoy," Katie Gilcrease, a student at Natchitoches Central High School, said.

Like Gilcrease, other students found occasion to use their training during high school brawls.

"Self-defense — I needed it in high school," Laura Billingsley, a junior at Northwestern, said.

"Suffice it to say, Kenpo would've helped a few times back then," Tony Palazzo, a sophomore at Northwestern, said. "I'm fascinated with Eastern cultures. I admire how deep and artistic it is."

Students listed a variety of reasons for studying the martial arts.

"It's interesting and to help relieve stress and to better defend myself and my property," Jeff Fontenot, a sophomore at Northwestern, said.

"Self-defense is only half the story," Sensei Romulus Roquemore, an instructor at the Louisiana School for Math, Science and the Arts, said. "[It helps you] to be capable of defending oneself, one's loved ones and to develop a lifetime use of a few techniques instead of a million varieties of techniques which causes confusion."

"It's an excellent form of exercise — it keeps me fit and helps in terms of general well-being and it's fun," Vishal Gupta, a senior at LSMSA, said. "It's a very challenging class, and I have to work very hard."

Although one female described a situation in which a strange man followed her one night, she and most other females in the class have not been been attacked but take the class to prevent such situations.

"A woman needs to protect her

*See* KENPO/ *Page 7*

# Students say campus dining too expensive

## Survey says students generally pleased with ARAMARK

JANE BALDWIN
*Current Sauce*

High prices and the lack of meal deals were the main grievances voiced by students, according to a survey conducted by Aramark food services at Northwestern.

ARAMARK conducted a survey last month to receive input from students. Over 500 students gave their comments and recommendations for the food and service offered at Iberville, Vic's and Le Rendezvous.

"We had an extraordinary amount of people fill them out over at Iberville," Charles Weaver, director of ARAMARK's food services at Northwestern, said.

"I think the food is pretty decent," Mike Whitmire, a freshman journalism major, said. "I'm impressed with the variety at Iberville. I think the prices are reasonable and they give an excellent selection of meal plans. The only gripe I've got with them is that they don't serve real hamburgers."

A survey is given every semester. The survey is then sent back to the company so they can be compared to food services at other universities.

"I just try to find a common ground because we are in a tough position of pleasing the majority," Weaver said. "I was pleased because we had a little over 90 percent saying they were satisfied with the service and the products they've received. We also got a high score on overall performance."

"I think it's good and its getting better," Teofilo Alvarado, a senior music performance major, said. "The way the cafeteria is set up, it's more convenient."

In the survey, most students complained about the high prices in Vic's but according to Weaver Northwestern's cafeterias have the lowest prices in town.

"I already have the lowest price," Weaver said. "I don't think a lot of people know that I have the lowest price in town. If you compare it with the cafeteria line in Vic's with a retail operation similar like the Piccadilly we are much more inexpensive than a place like that. Or if you compare Le Rendezvous with Pizza Hut, Burger King or McDonalds with us, we are cheaper."

According to the survey, many students complained about the prices of the canned drinks and potato chips in Le Rendezvous. For example, a six pack of Coke costs $5.99 at Le Rendezvous. Weaver said these items have high prices because they are convenience goods.

"We get beat up on a lot of things like canned Cokes, Snapple and package items," he said. "We are higher than anyone on those items. Those items are convenience items. We have to charge that [price] to meet our margin."

ARAMARK plans to conduct another survey in the spring.


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| One topping | $9.28 | $11.48 |
| Two toppings | $10.57 | $12.97 |
| Three toppings | $11.86 | $14.46 |
| Four toppings | $13.15 | $15.95 |
| Supreme | $11.99 | $14.99 |

# News Briefs

Tuesday, November 29, 1994

## Ballenger discusses liberal arts education in paper

Grady Ballenger, associate professor of English at Northwestern, discussed the liberal art's curriculum of Scholars' College recently at the 34th annual meeting of the Association for General and Liberal Studies in Savannah, Ga.

The AGLS is the national forum for inquiry concerning the improvement of undergraduate education. Established in 1961, the Association seeks to enrich the educational experience of America's college and university students by stimulating vigorous discourse among professors and administrators concerning the purpose, scope and nature of liberal education.

Ballenger traced the development of the College's four-year curriculum and its alternative to majors. Under the liberal arts program, students are placed into an individualized plan of study for honors students in one of four interdisciplinary concentrations.

## NSU program becomes finalist in international competition

Northwestern's Science: Out of This World program was nominated as a finalist in the New York Festivals' international non-broadcast media competition.

The program will compete in the distance learning science category. Winners will be announced at an awards banquet Jan. 20 in New York. Science: Out of This World is produced by the Louisiana Instructional Satellite Telecommunications Network (LISTN) and the Space Science Group at Northwestern.

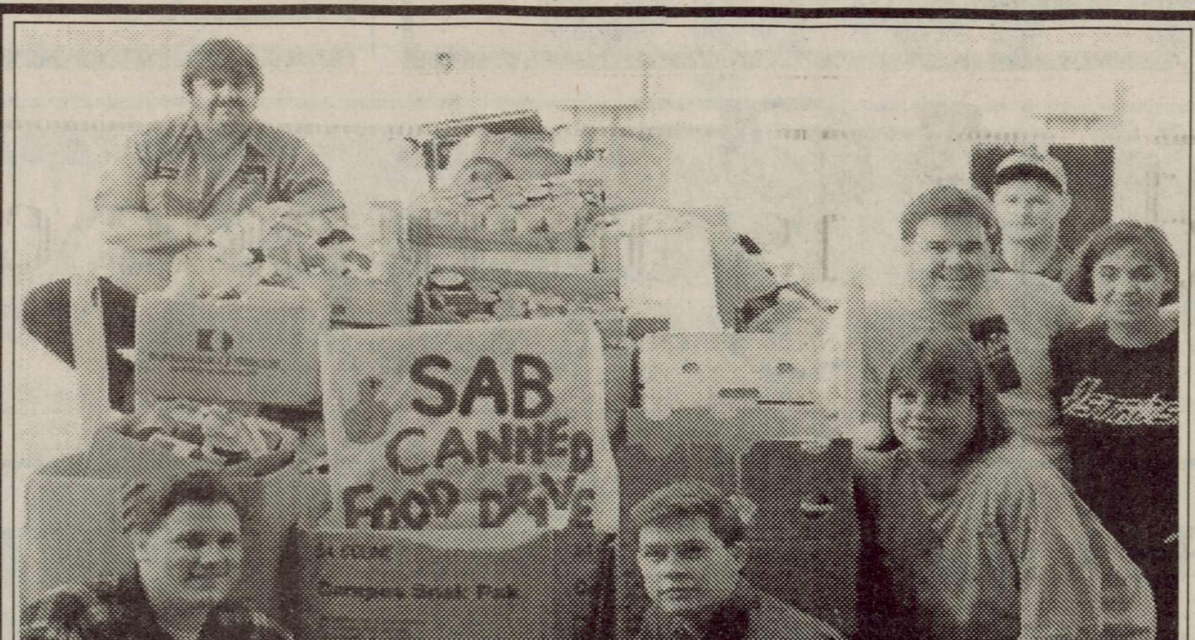
"We think we produce a very good show, and this outside evaluation proves it," Dr. Ron McBride, head of the Department of Telecommunications and Journalism, said. "The package we sent in was of our pilot show. We think we have improved a great deal since then."

The class is broadcast Monday through Thursday via satellite to more than 700 students at 22 sites around Louisiana. During the spring semester more than 1,600 students at 35 schools will see the class, which is funded through a grant from the Louisiana Department of Education and the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education.

"The show makes a lot of scientific principles easy to understand," McBride said. "We designed the show to be appropriate for all background levels. It's a very popular class that is having a positive impact according to students and teachers."

The competition received 1,251 entries from 36 countries in the non-broadcast category. Entries are screened by panels of judges comprised of New York area non-broadcast and television media professionals, as well as panels in television stations and companies throughout the United States. This process determines finalists, who may go on to receive gold, silver and bronze medals in their categories.

The New York Festivals was founded in 1957 as an international awards competition designed primarily to reward outstanding achievements in non-broadcast media.




**Brian Hirst, John Hatley, Liz Carroll, Dwayne Jones, Amy Coco and (back left) Charles from the City of Natchitoches take a break before loading the 2,546 cans donated from various student organizations on campus. The Student Activities Board holds a can drive every year, but according to Carroll this year holds the record for the number of cans collected.**

PHOTO BY JEFF GUIN

## Honor society inducts 47 new members

Phi Kappa Phi honor society initiated 47 new members recently, according to Dr. Sally Hunt, president of Northwestern's chapter of the society.

Those initiated were Shanda Ables of Jonesboro, Amy Alderman of Bossier City, Kitty Barron of Bossier City, Tiffany J. Bono of Lake Charles, Amanda L. Brian of Winnfield, Jennifer L. Brumley of Keithville, Chris Burford of Shreveport, Tammy Campbell of Jena, Kirk Carroll of Cochranton, Terry Cope of Schrever, Gloria Coutee of Natchitoches, Amylynn Daldry of Natchitoches.

Also to inducted are Heidi Dallman of Fort Polk, Amber Dodd of Provencal, Sam Dupree of Goldonna, Joe Edmonds of Campti, Marianne Elliott of Trout, Jennifer Goodwin of Natchitoches, Patrick Gregory of Alexandria, Mamie Hagar of Shreveport, Amy Haire of Pelican, Kenneth Hayes of Many, Jennifer Hosterman and Matt Koury of Leesville.

Other initiates include Angela LaCour of Natchez, Paula Leach of Many, Dana Avant-Lewis of Fort Polk, Bonnie Lizza of Fort Polk, John Maxey of Alexandria, Cindy Nolen of Leesville, Sherry Norris of Shreveport, Dawn Richthofen of Natchitoches, Daphney Poole of Natchitoches and Vickie Stoma of Mansfield.

Also to be inducted are Eylda Thaxton of Florien; Laura Turner of Natchitoches, Kenneth Tuschhoff of Jacksonville Beach, Heather Urena of Alexandria, Cheryl Vincent of Leesville, Tamara Webb of Natchitoches, David Davault of Natchitoches, Tiffany Davault of Natchitoches, Nicole Solari of Natchitoches and Carmen D. Harris of Mansfield.

Phi Kappa Phi also initiated faculty members Martha Henderson, automation coordinator of Watson Library, and William Hunt, coordinator of grants and contracts.

## Judge Orders Professor Back to Work

A University of New Hampshire professor who was accused of sexual harassment by female students because of questionable classroom comments has been reinstated to his teaching job.

Professor J. Donald Silva was temporarily reinstated by an order from Judge Shane Devine of Federal District Court in Concord, N.H., after the judge said he failed to see proof of intentional verbal sexual harassment on Silva's part. In his order of reinstatement, Devine said speech considered "verbally outrageous" in a classroom cannot automatically be considered verbal sexual harassment.

Silva, who has taught communications at UNH since 1968, was relieved of his teaching duties in April 1993 after several of his female students accused him of verbal sexual harassment for remarks he made in various classes.

According to the students' complaint, Silva compared the focus one needs while writing similar to the focus needed during sex. He also likened belly dancing to "Jell-O on a plate with a vibrator under the plate."

After suspending him without pay, the university ordered Silva to attend counseling sessions on sexual harassment. He refused and sued the school seeking reinstatement, back pay and further damages.

## Colorado Study Offers Hope for Treatment of Dyslexia

In a study that could have major implications for improved diagnosis and treatment for people with dyslexia, researchers from the University of Colorado have concluded that the reading disorder can be linked to a highly specific region of a human chromosome.

Although previous research has indicated dyslexia runs in families, the new study, which involved two independent groups of children, marks the first time evidence for a major gene associated with a complex behavioral trait has been found in two independent groups of people.

The researchers identified the link by analyzing genetic similarities and differences between children who exhibited no problems with reading and those who had reading deficits to those of other family members.


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| 6:30-9:00 | THURSDAY NIGHT CLASSES |

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# Student has designs on music career

Heather Cooley and Heather Urena
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Ad design is helping one student with his music career.

Although the two don't seem very complementary, sophomore Chris Anderson is using his college career to advance his music career. Chris is the bass guitarist, a contributing artist and part-time publicist for Gypsy Blue, an Alexandria-based band.

Although he had never had any formal music training, Chris seems to be making the most of his college education to further the band. Chris takes course in art and music.

"I was going to LSU-A and all I could take was core curriculum. I was going to graduate from there with just a general degree," Chris said. "The only reason I didn't go off to school is because I had made a prior committment with the guys and I wasn't going to deviate from that."

By helping to design Gypsy Blue's album cover for *Creative Tension*, Chris has already gotten hands on experience in his field of ad design.

"I came into an ad design class and I had already put out something," Chris said. "I had made something that people are buying."

Chris designed the emblem and helped with the other art work and layout.

Through his ad design class Chris is learning things he could have done differently on the album and things to consider doing in the future.

Although he had made a prior promise to the band that he wouldn't go off to school, Chris worked out an agreement with the band and enrolled at Northwestern this fall.

The bond that Chris shares with the band is a bond that school and distance can't break. Chris returns to Alexandria several times a week for rehearsals.

"I practice all the time and I try to keep my class work up and I balance everything out. I just don't sleep a whole bunch. It [the band] is my personal life. Everything about what I do is what they do. Everything."

Chris has no hesitations in his priorities as far as the band goes—the guys come first.

"There is no doubt about that [regarding the guys coming first]. If the guys give me a call and I have a big test tomorrow, I am going."

And that is just what he did when the band opened for Lillian Axe even though he had a math test the next day at LSU-A.

"I took my paper work and spread it all over the bar," Chris said. While Lillian Axe did a sound check on the PA, Chris worked math problems at the bar. Someone who worked at the club noticed Chris working on school work and told him that he was "cool for doing that."

Recently, Gypsy Blue took a month off to allow everyone a break. Although this break might have helped other band members, it hurt Chris.

"Honestly, it hurt me a great deal. I felt very sad, because I liked playing all of the time and I didn't need the break. I stayed there and I was there for whenever they were ready to come back."

Although, Chris was frustrated and decided that he would go ahead and get his degree and go on to something else, he didn't give up on the band.

"In order to work with everybody, to allow everybody to do their own thing for a little while, we said, "Okay, we will chill for awhile.' It's kinda of like if you love something you will let it go. We all had to do that and take in consideration [that] other people have lives outside of music. I don't think I do. I really don't.

Even though Chris admits to complaining about the packing and loading of equipment, especially after long trips, he enjoys everything about the band.

"Packing and loading is a bitch because it is all of that PA equipment. I didn't mind that [the packing] it hurt and I didn't sleep, but I enjoyed it because I like doing it. I am doing what I want to do, it just doesn't pay anything."

But making lots of money and being a famous musician doesn't seem to be Chris' main concern.

"I am going to enjoy the fact one day that if I could afford to do well for myself and a future family — that would be great... and play music no matter how it sounds, if it is the sloppiest-ass music, then I am going to play it.

"If people want to come see it, then cool. If I get paid for it, even better. I disagree with a lot of these guys who practice with a hypocritical attitude. I am not asking for an extradionary amount of money. I just want enough money so that I can live. If I can do that and play music, then there is no need for me to do other things like school. I will continue on with school, and I would like to graduate, but I will stop if my profession starts to pay."

Chris was a member of his high school band all four years. His instrument playing ability includes the acoustic guitar, electric guitar, twelve and six string guitars, bass guitar and drums. He also possesses the ability to play by ear. Before joining Gypsy Blue, he was a member of the band Extortion.

"All we [Extortion] did was mess around. We played a lot of Suicidal covers, Sex Pistols covers, anything that was loud and obnixous. Joey and Allan could play well. The bass guitar player, singer and I couldn't do anything, but make racket. We were just in high school, having fun not really concentrating on something."

Chris and Gypsy Blue are obviously doing more than "making racket." Besides their current compact disc, they have previously released an EP entitled *Understood*.

"As a matter of fact, to tell you the honest to God truth, I am very irritated that [this] has taken us this long to do. It's not that we haven't done cool stuff, because honestly we have," Chris said. "We have played in front of two to three thousand people and being a small band from Alexandria, Louisiana, that is pretty cool.

"It has taken us this long, I guess we all needed growing and we are still growing musically, emotionally, everyone has gotten outside influences, but I think now more so than any other time before, the music is more important than anything else."

Chris would like to see Gypsy Blue do an album in the near future and hopes for the collaboration to be a musical partnership lasting into the distant future.

"We already have originals," Chris said. "I don't know, I really don't [regarding the release of their next album]. I would like to have one out in the next year or so. Something, whether it just be a cassettee or a CD. What we are thinking about doing is trying to get all of the songs down on cassette and do everything — buy the blank cassette tapes ourselves and doing all of the dupes in Alexandria, doing all of the cover work everything as cheap as we can get it out. If it keeps doing well, as everything is going, we will make a CD and another album project."



Photo by Heather Cooley

**Chris Anderson, a musician and ad design sophomore, ponders his future. He divides his time between practicing and studying.**

# GYPSY BLUE plays against the norm

Heather Cooley and Heather Urena
*Current Sauce*

Gypsy Blue is an appropriate name, although coincidental description, of six guys in Alexandria trying to make a living doing what they love: music.

The "band" comprises manager Jason Blake and musicians Dani West, Allen Rivers, Justin Lane, Joey Wilson and Chris Anderson. And on most occasions they choose to include family members, friends and general roadies under the band name.

"The band that we had finally put together played at a battle of the bands in Tioga. Allen, Chris and Joey were in another band, and they played the same battle of the bands and we won," Dani said.

All the band members grew up in the Alexandria area, and since forming they have become brothers to each other. Incidentally, Jason and Justin are brothers by blood. And the bond they have all formed is very strong.

The band seems to be a network of tradition and hopes combined — with both the past and future intertwined. They have been together for close to four years. Justin and Dani were in a band, and Dani had been in different bands in high school.

"I went and started singing with them (Justin's band). They were real young and really didn't want to do anything but stay home and play, and that is what I wanted to do," Dani said. "I wanted to sing. We started putting it together and making it a band; a few other people joined."

Justin said he first realized that they could actually succeed with their dream when they played at a Methodist church -- the first time they played outside of garages.

"We used to be called Westside. Our old bass player wanted to call it Gypsy, and I wanted to call it Blue Steel. So, we compromised," Dani said.

After a Central Louisiana contest for battle of the bands, the present band formed with fate on its side. Original members of Gypsy Blue were no longer interested in keeping the band together. Chris, Allen and Joey were in the band which finished second, and that band also happened to be breaking up. They found each other, and it clicked.

Allen and Dani do a lot of the preliminary writing, but by the end of the process it becomes a collaborative effort.

"Usually what happens... the people who do sit down and think of lyrics and stuff to write will come to me and give me their ideas, then come up with a song and find what fits with the song..." Dani said. "Whatever is written usually ends up getting changed to fit the music. The lyrics are already written. The song is written separately and usually we put them together and change the lyrics to fit the song."

Dani does the vocals, Allen and Joey play guitar, Justin plays the drums and Chris is the bass player.

The first time this band played together was at Cenlabration in 1991. Jason managed that feat. Jason is personally responsible for many of their gigs, and Chris also helps with publicity.

"We used to play all the time. To be honest with you, we started to get burned out on it," Dani said. "That is why we are out [on a camping trip] here right now to try to get to be friends again. We were playing places about five hours away, and it got real hard keeping the day job. We just got bills to pay, too. We don't make that much money."

When the group plays in places that are five or so hours away a close friend flies them their for reduced costs. But even that gets expensive -- making their take-home pay significantly less.

All the guys joked about not having much money, but that doesn't seem to be their motivation. Each one took a turn explaining that "we would just like to make enough money doing what we love."

"We started not to love it," Dani said. "That is why we stopped doing it. We are musicians. How else can I put it? Someone help me here. Why do we do it? It's fun. There isn't a minute going by where some sort of a song isn't going through my head — be it an original or be it someone else's."

"It's kind of like a disease," Justin said. "Once it gets in you, it's not going anywhere."

"Since we have been taking this break we have been writing more songs," Dani said. "We didn't know why we were taking it off. But we were starting to get burned."

A booking agent in New Orleans also helps the group with scheduling performances. Gypsy Blue has opened for Warrant in New Orleans, David Lee Roth in Shreveport and Cheap Trick in Baton Rouge — to name a few.

"We are shooting for a recording contract," Dani said. "We have been contacted by several record companies. They have stated that they are waiting for the right stuff. They said that they know that we have got the talent. They are just waiting for the right song."

> *"It's kind of like a disease. Once it gets in you, it's not going anywhere.*
>
> Justin Lane
> Gypsy Blue Drummer

The group has mixed feelings about "making it" in the music industry with all the "alternative" music hype. They see themselves as an alternative for any audience, but that doesn't make them part of the alternative movement.

"We are real bitter about everything in the music industry right now. Personally I feel that the alternative scene has been bastardized," Chris said. "The poor guys that are there — it's cool music that is different and diverse. But with country, R and B — it's different types of music that would be alternative music because it's an alternative from the norm.

"Right now, the alternative music is popular. But these guys aren't alternative anymore, they're mainstream...

"Alternative music has many genres. It doesn't necessarily have to be the slow annoying feedback-type rock. I wouldn't deem us as alternative," Chris said.

Gypsy Blue doesn't write about whatever is popular; they right about what is meaningful.

"We like to write what we are feeling at the time, Dani said. "When we sit down and write a song it's not, 'Well, this is what we have to put out so let's do this.' We can't do it that way. It's almost impossible."

"If you have the freedom and don't stereotype yourself," Chris said, "then you will have the creative freedom. But, then again, that is not what is going to make any money. Where is the compromise, where is the halfway point?"

"This is what we are looking for right now. We are trying to find the compromise," Dani said.

"Which we can't, not yet," Chris said.

During their time off, the guys have been focusing on their relationships and friendships, and they have been figuring out where they want to go and how they are going to get there.The group is easing back into performing.

Dani joked, "What our goal is right now is to write songs and to play frat parties."

"When we first put everything together, we didn't have to work to put us out," Dani said. "People liked us; everybody came to our shows. The audiences moved off to different places, going to college, stuff like that. It has taken more of an effort to let people know where we are, and we are not used to that."

The group is maturing and looking at more ways to expand their talents and aptitudes. Jason works with photography, and Chris is majoring in ad design. The two work together on album art and ideas for band performances.

Part of the attraction for their audiences is the variety in their music. They perform meaningful songs, some as jokes, and a few of their own versions of popular tunes.

"We will do a tune, but we do our version of the tune. We do a punk version of *Shine* which is kind of fun. We are just trying to do what we want to do. And a lot of people enjoy it," Chris said.

The decision between recording on cassette or compact disc makes it difficult. They can afford to do one but not both. More people want the cassettes, but compact discs allow for more air play by radio stations.

Gypsy Blue's most recent album, *Creative Tension*, was done on compact disc to make it is easier for radio stations and recording companies to play — making it more feasible for audiences to hear their music.

"Really good audiences will respond to anything we do," Dani said. "Everyone says, 'What kind of music do you play.' And the only response that I can come up with is rock and roll... We usually stay with cool melody lines."

"We hate categories," Allen said.



**Gypsy Blue muscians enjoy a break from performing with a camping trip at Kincaid Lake. Justin Lane, Allen Rivers, Joey Wilson, Dani West and Chris Anderson enjoy a few beers.**

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**Our**View

# Make the holiday happy

## Here's hoping for a more cordial Natchitoches

This is the season to be nice.

In years past the annual Christmas festival, although intended as a celebration of the season, has done more to harvest bad feelings than to promote jolly ones.

We hope the Natchitoches Christmas Festival 1994 does not repeat the mistakes of 1993.

The Natchitoches Police Department hired SWAT team members to protect and preserve the peace during the annual family event.

Unfortunately, these overzealous officers forgot about common courtesy — and basic civil rights in the performance of their duties.

When SWAT team members were ordered to keep Kappa Alpha members from leaving their house and were ordered not to let anyone cross Williams Boulevard, they did more to incite anger and instill fear than to encourage peace.

Although Natchitoches Police Chief Keith Thompson did correct his misunderstanding about the probation period of Kappa Alpha fraternity, SWAT team members continued to harass fraternity members, as well as Kappa Alpha alumni and their children.

Santa Claus was said to have been surrounded by four men in black, carrying guns and knives, and leading menacing dogs.

It seems like just the picture and presence of ominous law enforcement members dressed all in black and loaded with weapons would be enough to keep the peace.

Dogs and horses were used to assist officers in keeping the peace before, during and after the fireworks display. But the animals became excited and also contributed to the uneasiness in the crowds.

Chief Thompson stated last year that he would check to see if using dogs and horses was an effective method of crowd control. If last year's melee is any evidence, let us hope that he has found an alternative to the previous method.

Perhaps the protection and preservation of peace, in keeping with the alleged spirit of the season, would best be kept if the event remained family oriented. We don't think marshal law necessarily should be involved. And we think the Natchitoches City Council could come up with better solutions than preventing free movement within the city, particularly on Williams Avenue, if they seriously thought about it. We can understand the fire marshal restricting some access during the actual fireworks show, but anything other than that is certainly too much.

The festival is intended for family fun and celebration. If Natchitoches residents didn't want the attention and crowding from tourists, then they wouldn't encourage the event and the nickname the town as the City of Lights.

Mayor Joe Sampite said last year that the 1993 Christmas Festival was the only one to have received complaints. At that time, he said that he would look into the problems in the future. It will be interesting to see if these problems will be solved for this year's festival.

Certainly additional members of law enforcement and emergency services should be called on to help keep the event safe and family oriented, but the presence of SWAT team members would kind of kill the mood of the season.

As published in the December 7, 1993, issue of *Current Sauce*, Thompson said, "We did it as nicely as we possibly could."

We hope he finds another way to be nice.

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# Wal-Mart Supercenter preys on small business



**Roblynn**Gass

Guest Column

I am very opposed to the new Wal-Mart in Natchitoches. I don't like it because it takes away from local businesses, and it has an unfriendly atmosphere.

For the past 3 1/2, I have watched Natchitoches grow into a busy little town.

The commerce was good and new businesses popped up. With the renewal of Front Street, I have seen The Landing and Merci Beaucoup move and expand, and the bakery, deli and candy store move as well. New businesses on Keyser and "the strip" opened as a result of the increase in college enrollment.

I have just seen the Super Wal-Mart move in and take over. It's as big as a mini mall. The parking lot is too.

Believe me, I used to go in and get out as soon as I could. Yes, unlike two friends of mine, I have been there. (They have joined me in the boycott.) As much as I regret it, I have seen. And I felt very guilty when I went there.

When I walked in, I felt like the size of an ant. No senior citizen was there to tell me hello. I used to enjoy the grandfatherly man standing in the doorway. No one seems willing to help you find the product buried in the store somewhere — especially after 10 p.m. No one ever seemed to want to help me or even be there themselves. That seems like bad business to me. They stay open late, and then they are rude after hours.

Everywhere in large print is the reminder that they will honor any competitor's prices, because the "Sell for less *Always*."

Who cares? The other stores need our business. The Wal-Mart Supercenter does not. Wal-Mart never needed our business. They have been known to undercut themselves in order to run all the small stores out. Then who are you going to turn to when they raise prices? Everyone else will be gone. Don't think the Supercenter's prices are the same either. They have gone up. Who do you think is going to pay for the convenient mall they just built? YOU are.

I find more satisfaction going to different stores to find my groceries and school supplies. I would rather spend 10 cents more at a *local* business than give my money to Wal-Mart.

I am a journalism major. In my news class, I had to cover the Supercenter saga for the semester. My contact told me several times that the independent businesses in the front of the store were going to be opened by local people. A National Hair Care Center, a video center, an optical center and a cleaner called "S'MART" opened inside. You decide how local they are. I am no longer doing that story due to my boycott.

That is not the only thing that bothers me. There is a branch larger than the Supercenters. They are called Hypermart. This mini-mall is only 202,000 sq. ft. and Hypermarts are 280,000 to 300,000 sq. ft. Now that mall must be really insane.

My plea for you is to give up on the "convenience." There are solutions to overspending late at night after the bars close down.

Now don't think they just decided in a college town to stay open late at night so people could shop. Ha. They knew this college town would light up the store at night. Literally. Support the real merchants in this town.

You may be here to see your favorite business shut down because of the overwhelming competitor mini-mall down the road. Join in the boycott of Wal-Mart. You and I will only be among many, I am sure.




# Christmas comes too early for columnist

## Americans need to remember the true meaning of season



**Andrew**Martin

The Bottom Line

Christmas comes but once a year and that is getting to be a little bit too often for me. The reason I say that is because the Christmas season lasts about six months now instead of two weeks, its sole purpose being to make money.

It is not even December yet and I am already sick of hearing carols, crap about "Santa sightings" and any kind of Christmas sale.

Two weeks ago I was already being bombarded with messages about how the Christmas season was upon us. I had not even gotten a chance to eat my Thanksgiving turkey yet. I really find that aggravating.

I'm not a big holiday person to begin with, but when corporate America wants to start flooding my brain with Christmas propaganda in early November it makes it that much harder for me to get into the spirit. The constant barrage of Christmas carols, flying reindeer, and the "vertically challenged" dressed up as elves is almost too much to bear.

*"...I didn't want to lose a limb to some woman searching desperately for the right ceramic knick knack..."*

The first "official" shopping day of Christmas is one of the most asinine things to me. Why would any person want to go out and fight those horrible crowds on the day after Thanksgiving? I don't think that I will ever understand that. I really needed to go buy a new belt for myself over the holidays but I didn't want to lose a limb to some woman searching desperately for the right ceramic knick knack for Aunt Doreen.

One of the local television stations aired a clip of gun toting soldiers in the Bosnian Civil War and accidentally called it "the first day of shopping in area malls." When they noticed their error and ran the correct footage I couldn't tell the difference.

Santa Claus is also becoming a tired cliche. Jolly old St. Nick is now appearing on almost every single commercial currently running. These days you are bound to see Santa pushing everything from lotteries to toys to tools. I decided that it had gotten a little out of hand when I saw Santa depicted as having an encounter with a flying pizza delivery man. Maybe the little kid can still get into it but I'm getting a little bit sick of the fat man.

I guess what bothers me most about all of this is how it seems that the real meaning of Christmas gets buried farther and farther under a mountain of commercialism yearly. Ask a child what Christmas is about and he will probably tell you that it is about getting gifts and that is it. That is so wrong, yet it is what television tells them time and time again.

Maybe we need to slow down, all of the Christmas hype to sit back and think about what it really means. Christmas is not about Santa buying remote controlled cars at a Nissan dealership or which city can decorate to pete with Natchitoches' lights display. It is supposed to be about finding of yourself and honoring the birth of Jesus Christ.

Maybe it is time that we as a society think about that and put the real meaning of Christmas back in our hearts and take it out of our wallets.

# Planning commission to consider direction of 'Natchitoches National Park'

## 19 members to be chosen from local and national groups

JEFFREY T. CRYER
*Current Sauce*

President Bill Clinton recently signed a bill approving the establishment of the Cane River Creole National Historical Park and the Cane River Heritage Area.

The next action associated with the historical park and heritage area will be the appointing of a 19-member commission within the next six months, according to Ann Brittain, president of Museum Content, Inc.

"We have six months to put a 19-member commission in place," Brittain said. "Representatives from various groups and organizations in the local area can then make recommendations on what direction to be sent."

Brittain also said that the approval of the commission will be made by Roger Kennedy, director of the National Park Service.

The next formal action will occur in the spring of 1995 when Congress meets again, according to Bobby DeBlieux, a possible appointee to the commission.

In that congressional meeting, Congress will approve the budget for the national park and heritage area. According to DeBlieux, a budget had to be proposed for the first bill to be presented.

"Since the bill passed in Congress, the budget passing is practically a sure thing," DeBlieux said. "The second bill funds the park and heritage area." Money has already been designated for use, however, for the historical park and heritage area.

"We have $75,000 that can be used to hire a director and set up an office for this year," Brittain said. "After the recommendations have been made, we will have to request funding from Congress."

After the budget passes, the National Park Service will start taking action in the summer toward the development of the park and heritage area, DeBlieux said.

"The NPS will officially purchase the Oakland Plantation and acquire the Magnolia Plantation, which will be donated," DeBlieux explained. "The hiring of staff will begin around the winter of 1995."

The actions leading toward the establishment of the national park and heritage area have been in the legislative process for over one and a half years, according to Doug Faris, associate regional director for the National Park Service. "About two years ago, Congress directed the National Park Service to do research on Cane River to find out the needs for preservation and the possibilities of national park involvement," Faris said.

Areas included in the heritage area are those approximately one mile on both sides of the Cane River. Also, properties within the Natchitoches Historic Landmark District, the Los Adaes State Commemorative Area, the Fort Jesup Commemorative Area and the Kate Chopin House.

An additional tract of land of no more than 10 acres will be added and may be designated for a visitor center complex to serve the needs of both the historical park and heritage area.

Brittain said that the commission which will make decisions concerning the historical park and heritage area will be comprised of appointed representatives from several groups from throughout the area. Among those that will appoint members to the commission are the Natchitoches Historic Foundation, Inc., the Association for the Preservation of Historic Natchitoches, Museum Content, Inc., the St. Augustine Historic Society, the Black Heritage Committee, the Los Adaes/Robeline Community, the Natchitoches Historic District Commission, the Cane River Waterway Commission, the Natchitoches Sportsman Association, Northwestern State University, the director of the National Park Service, various landowners and the local, parish and state governments.

# Superbanking

## Premier bank gets ready to open branch in local Wal-Mart

SUSAN KLIEBERT
*Current Sauce*

Premier Bank of Natchitoches is scheduled to open its new branch Monday, according to Dud Holland, Premier's president.

The bank will open in the new Wal-Mart Supercenter. With the opening of a branch of the bank in Ruston being a huge success, Premier decided to open an in-store branch in Wal-Mart.

Premier recently opened two banks in Louisiana and is scheduled to open 10 more, including the Supercenter location, within the next two months. The bank will be open from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

"Anything you can do in the main office or the location on the strip, you will be able to do there — except drive through," Theresa Pierce, marketing director for the Natchitoches Premier bank, said. "You can get a loan, open a new account, CDs, IRAs, even safe deposit boxes [will be available]."

The store will be run by six workers who will each work four 10 hour days. The workers have undergone an intense 10-week training session which included traveling to banks all over the state.

The bank will also feature an express statement service. With this service, customers will be able to press a button and receive information about their accounts at that moment.

"There's also a telephone in there that you can call 24 hours a day and check your balance, activity on your account or anything you need to know about the bank's services. There's somebody there — a human being- 24 hours a day, 365 days a year." Holland said. He also said Premier is the only bank to offer this service.

Premier also has in-store branches in some of the larger supermarkets like Albertsons and Delchamps, and have found that customers open more new accounts at these branches as opposed to opening accounts in the traditional bank setting.

"It's strange, but we have found that they [customers] open more new accounts at the in-store locations rather than traditional banks," Holland said.

Holland also feels that because of the number of people who shop at Wal-Mart, this branch will definitely be a success.

"Where you have hundreds of people coming through your lobby in the bank, if you picture the Supercenter as your lobby, you have thousands and thousands [of people]," Holland said.

Cash giveaways and special promotions including five $500 shopping sprees, a cake with a $100 bill baked-in it and donation to a local charity are scheduled for the grand opening.

# Road collections under fire; festival fireworks may suffer

SHAKIRA BALDWIN
*Current Sauce*

The Christmas festival fireworks committee's budget may be strained due to a new law passed by the City Council which prohibits road collections.

According to Roger Williams, chairman of the fireworks committee, the budget for the fireworks is set at $20,000 per year and has been set at this amount for the past three or four years. "The majority of the budget is raised from sponsors, an annual patron drive that is held in November and in the past from road collections," Williams said.

Personally, I feel that for years it has been a continual struggle to raise money and the ban on road collections is really going to take away from our revenue," he said. "The money is simply no longer there, and if it wasn't for the sponsors, then we would have been looking at a real struggle."

According to Williams, the festival has been sustained by donations for years. The annual patron drive, a voluntary door-to-door donation collection, is an example of what the community puts forth in order to continue with the tradition of the festival.

Despite the struggles with finance for the fireworks, a new dimension is expected for this year's show. According to Williams, the fireworks show has had a waterfall for the past years on the south side of the bridge. However, this year the Christmas festival committee plans to have a waterfall of fireworks on both sides of the bridge to allow everyone the chance to witness the spectacular sight.

The fireworks have been a part of the long-standing tradition of the festival for years. The fireworks show was first coordinated by the Illinois Fireworks company in the 1940s and is now orchestrated by Zambelli International.

"The fireworks have always been a major part of the festival and we look forward to improving them as the festival continues," Williams said.


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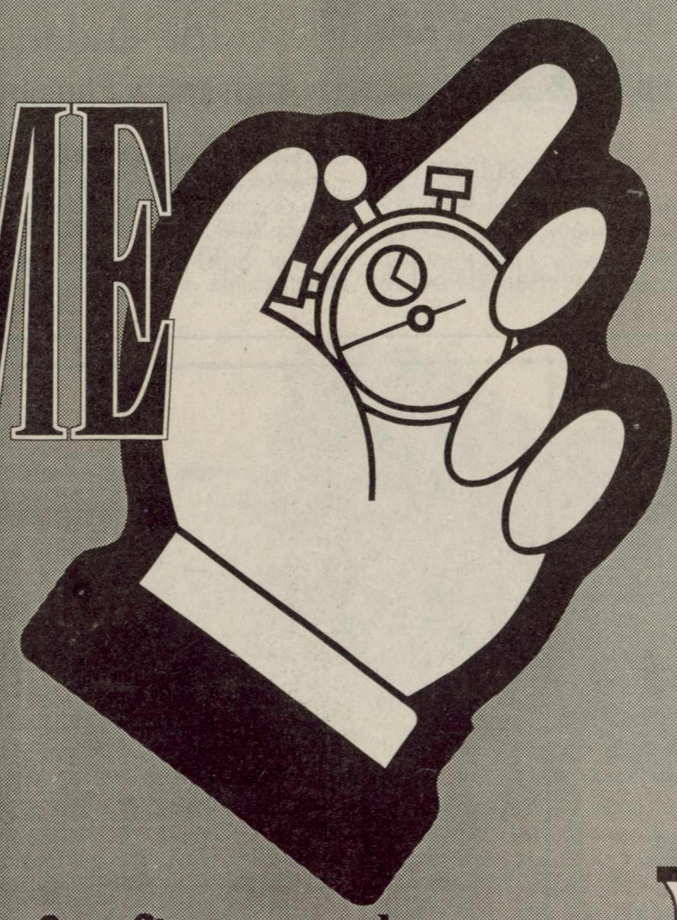
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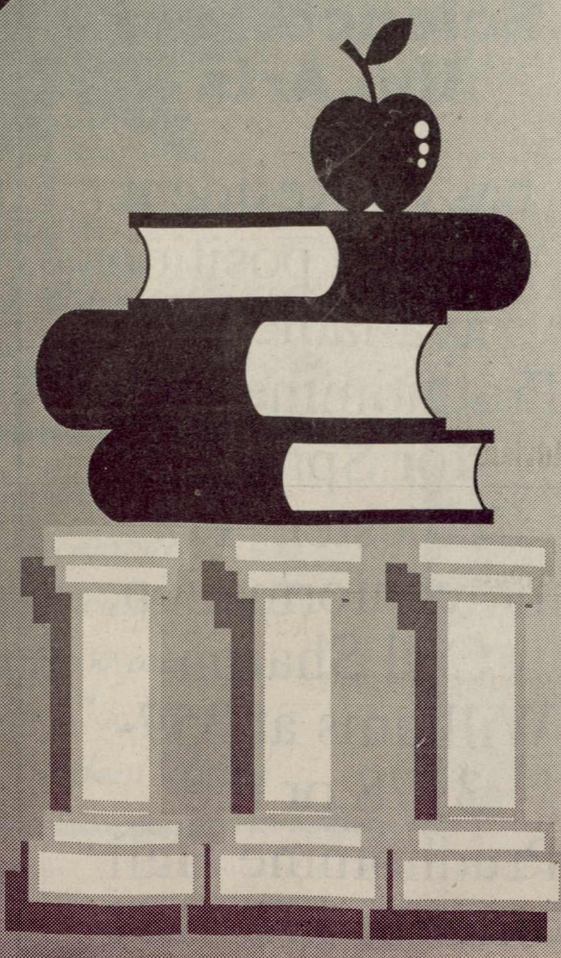
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# Gypsy Blue shows variety, dedication to good music

Gypsy Blue, an up-and-coming band located in Alexandria, extends its musical range from rock to alternative and even to country (once) to encompass an equally diverse audience.

Allen Rivers, lead, rhythm and acoustic guitarist and back-up vocalist; Justin Lane, drummer; Dani West, acoustic guitarist, keyboard artist and lead vocalist; Joey Wilson, lead, rhythm and acoustic guitarist and Chris Anderson, bassist, comprise the members of this enterprising band.

In their newest collection, called *Creative Tension*, interested listeners immediately detect distinctive, well-constructed lyrics, beautiful vocals and powerful guitar work.

Guitars begin their domination in the opening single *Violent Cartoon* and continue throughout the program.

Excellent bass lead-off precedes good vocals, although the vocals do tumble over themselves somewhat during the chorus in *Summer Rain.*

In *The Gift*, a song describing what music means to the band, the vocals and chorus become pleasingly harmonious. The beginning of the song displays a calmer, sweet message and wonderful use of scales to exhibit strong guitar work as the single continues.




Talented lead vocals characterize *Christopher's Song*, dedicated to the memory of West's nephew.

The beat remains dark and strong, and vocals soar for an interesting adaptation of the children's song *On Top of Spaghetti* and becomes Gypsy Blue's own *Spaghetti.*

The chorus is good and the instrument accompaniment even better in *Angels Cry.* An incident in which a man held what he thought to be an unloaded gun to himself and warned his girlfriend that if she broke up with him, he would kill himself, and accidentally did as the gun was loaded, inspired this single called.

In *Ever Soul*, the band delivers its best work on this collection. Written in remembrance of a time when they were asked to leave a church for not conforming, the song seems vaguely like a folk song at first. The music rolls and flows entertainingly while the chords and excellent harmony definitely please the ear.

A steady beat and vocals that range from gentle to energetic and uplifting stand out in *You,* currently the band's most popular single.

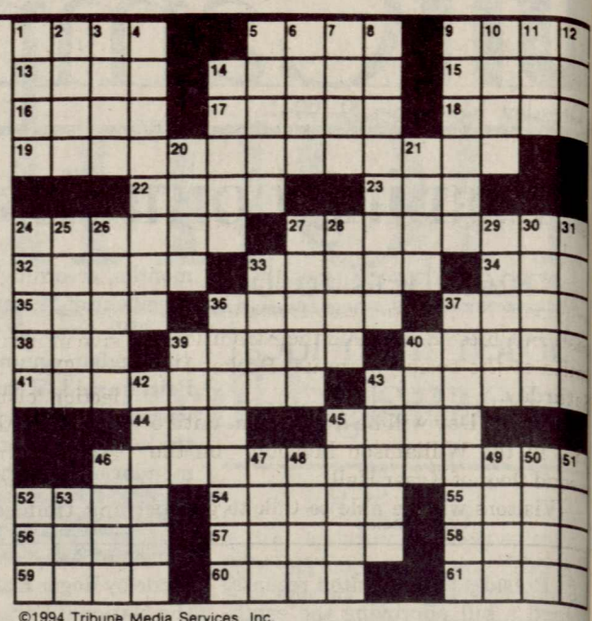
Finally, done as a joke to through the audience through a loop, their version of *Friends in Low Places* exhibits characteristic powerful guitars and spirited vocals.

Thanks to especially strong and talented vocals and gifted musicians, Gypsy Blue displays a rarity in the world of still up-and-coming bands — it gives off a sense of variety and a love of their work that is very entertaining.

**TUNE TALK**

## Correction

In our Nov. 15 edition, we inadvertantly misquoted Mick Dorsey's Forum Viewpoint column. The mistake was made in the sixth paragraph. It read "...the experiment by John Howard Griffin, a hit man, who wrote the book *Black Like Me*, who has actually been in the shoes of a black person..." It should have read, "the experiment by John Howard Griffen, a white man, who wrote the book *Black Like Me,* who has actually been in the shoes of a black person..."

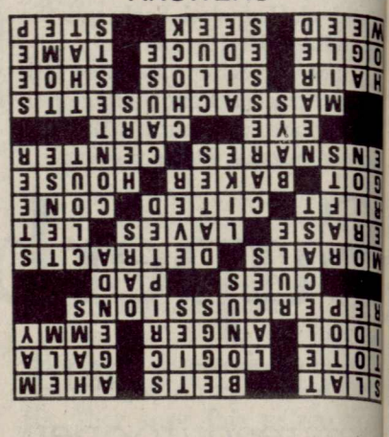


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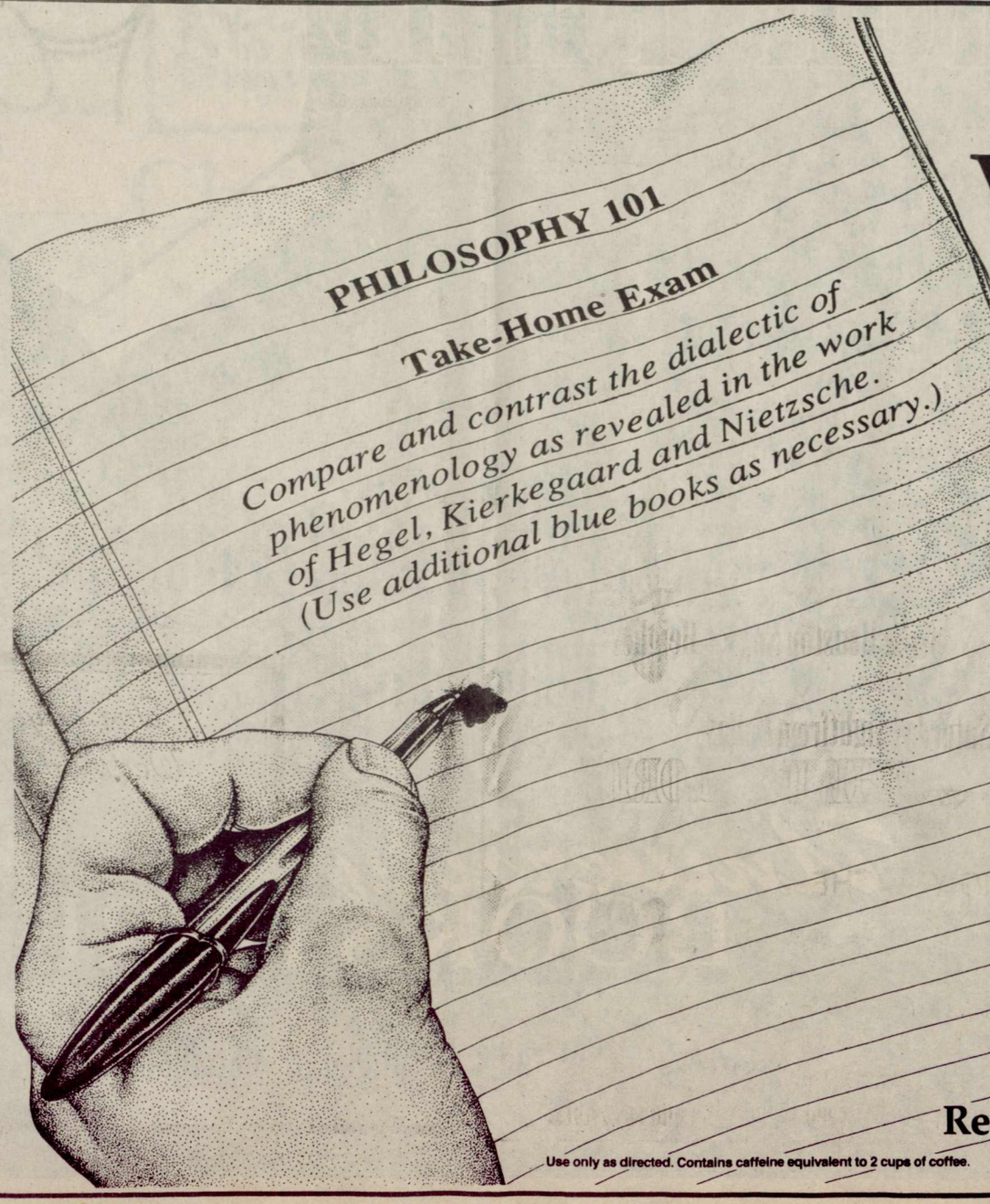


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# Basket Day offers look at Native American crafts

Northwestern's Anthropology Society will honor Native Americans from the Southeastern United States and their traditional crafts at the society's annual Basket Day Saturday.

Basket Day will be from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. in the Williamson Museum on the second floor of Kyser Hall.

Visitors will be able to talk to guests about their works, observe crafts in the making, purchase items and enjoy extensive museum displays.

The Williamson Museum houses a collection of southeastern Native American artifacts that were donated by Claude Medford, Jr.

Medford was instrumental in documenting traditional crafts and customs. His collection includes examples of baskets, ceremonial clothing, masks and weapons.

This year's event honors the memory of Joseph Pierite who is the last hereditary chief of the Tunica-Biloxi. An emerald green Venetian glass trade bead lace collar made by Pierite's wife, Fannie will be raffled at 11 a.m. to benefit Northwestern's Anthropology Society.

Also visitors will be able to purchase moss dolls, pinestraw baskets, feather jewelry and fans and palmetto baskets. Many of these items are made from materials native to Louisiana.

Native Americans from many parts of Louisiana will participate. Those taking part include Lorena Langley and Margie Battise of Elton, Joyce and Robert Poncho of Livingston, Nick Stoaff of Jeanerette, Mary Whitesnake Rambin of Keithville, Thelma Barnes of Bossier City and Dick Carney of Doyline.

In addition, Anna Neal with members of the Clifton-Choctaw tribe and a group from Ebarb will attend.

Basket Day is free and open to the public.

## Chamber Choir to perform at Immaculate Conception

The Northwestern Chamber Choir will perform a Candlelight Service of Lessons and Carols at 7 p.m. Monday at the Immaculate Conception Church on Second Street in Natchitoches. The performance is in conjunction with the upcoming renovation of Immaculate Conception Church, one of the most significant landmarks in the historic district of Natchitoches. Dr. Burt Allen will direct the choir.

The service of Lessons and Carols consists of a series of scripture readings beginning with the creation of man, through the advent and birth of Christ. This service began at Kings College Chapel in Cambridge, England, and is traditionally performed on Christmas Eve around the world.

Northwestern's Chamber Choir has performed this service for standing room only audiences at St. Francis Xavier Cathedral in Alexandria for the past three years.

The service begins with a candlelight procession of the readers through the church while the choir sings the opening hymn, *Once in Royal David's City*. Following the processional, there will be a series alternating with Advent and Christmas carols, each related to the preceding reading. The service concludes with the choir singing *O Come All Ye Faithful* as a recessional.

Michael Yankowski, Northwestern associate professor of art, is in charge of the environment and decor of the church. The program is free and open to the public.

# *Messiah* tough, rewarding for singer

## Weaver's musical background proves useful in meeting demands of songs

Jeannie Weaver could look at her performance in tomorrow's presentation of Handel's *Messiah* as a final exam. Weaver, a senior from Natchitoches, will be in her final appearance with Northwestern's Chamber Choir, which will perform "Messiah" with the Natchitoches-Northwestern Symphony Orchestra. Performance time is 7:30 p.m. in Magale Recital Hall. Dr. George Adams is the symphony conductor, and Dr. Burt Allen directs the Chamber Choir

The orchestra and chamber choir will perform Part I of 'Messiah' covering the Advent along with the *Hallelujah Chorus*.

"Performing *Messiah* takes every bit of ability you have as a singer. It can wear you out," Weaver said, who will begin student teaching at Pineville Junior High School and Pineville High School in January, working with both school's chorus and band.

Handel's work puts great demands on a singer. Weaver speculates that an instrumental composer like Handel didn't realize how difficult it is to sing the notes he had written. "Handel makes you use your voice like an instrument. All the sections are pushed to their limit," Weaver said. "The work has a lot of fast moving notes. Your voice has to skip around a lot of different registers."

Weaver has heard recordings of *Messiah* and performed Part II of *Messiah* with Northwestern's Chamber Choir. She says performing a familiar work places special demands on the choir and orchestra.

"I like to perform a work that everyone has heard and enjoys. But you have to make the performance unique," Weaver said. "Dr. Allen does an outstanding job of helping us see the beauty in the music and working to find something new in the music."

Weaver also plays French horn in the Natchitoches-Northwestern Symphony, and will continue playing with the orchestra next semester. She began playing the French horn in the fifth grade and started singing in the chorus in ninth grade. Weaver says her instrumental training has helped her as a singer.

"My sense of rhythm is influenced by my instrumental playing," she said. "I probably read notes better because of it. On the French horn, you use different fingering on every note and I can relate that to how pitch is different." While at Northwestern, Weaver has seen the orchestral program grow stronger and a strong choral program continue to improve.

"The orchestra has gone from bringing in half of its players from the outside to being able to use all local talent. A lot of good players have come here over the past three years. I commend Dr. Adams for all he has done. The choirs have always been good. Dr. Allen is a great director who relates well to the students and knows how to get the best performance out of us."

Weaver looks forward to being a teacher after she earns her degree. She credits her father Jerry Payne, the band director at Marshall High, with influencing her career choice.

"My father's a great teacher," she said. "By watching him, I learned how much you can gain by being a teacher and how much influence you can have on others."

# BRUSCATO: Leisure Activities assistant optimistic about program's future

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specific group," Bruscato said. "It doesn't just involve structured programs suchas flag football. It also includes events like aerobics and weight training. The variety of activities appeals to a majority of the students, and that's what we want to achieve."

Bruscato feels he was fortunate to get a job so soon after graduation.

"With intramurals, there are a lot of people out there with several years' experience, and I had none coming out of college," he said. "But I was lucky enough to get a chance here and I think this is a good place to start. The student body here isn't so big that I could be overwhelmed, as could be the case at bigger universities."

Bruscato's duties as assistant director include helping Newman in recruiting students to participate in various events as well as scheduling of events.

He also works with scheduling student workers and officials for the department.

He said that he has a big advantage over other staff members because he can get to know most students on a more personal basis.

"Intramurals really begin with public relations; it's all image," Bruscato said. "The majority of students I deal with I have to kind of feel out through conversation and that sort of thing."

" The advantage is that I get to listen to students directly for ideas and not have to worry about going through supervisors to implement those ideas for the most part. I get to hear ideas and complaints straight from the students."

Bruscato is optimistic that current facilities in the intramural building can be upgraded to a better standard in the near future and feels that will make a big difference for the overall program.

"We've got a long way to go with our facilities, but we'll get there," Bruscato said. "Our major concern is a new roof, which we hope to have in place sometime in the spring. We've just ordered $9,000 worth of new weight equipment which should be here for the beginning of the spring semester."

Bruscato feels that physical activity is a must for everyone and that intramurals is a good way for college students to stay in shape.

"The obesity rate among children is skyrocketing at an alarming rate," he said. "We've got to get people started in a habit of exercising regularly to ease this. For students, it is also great way to relieve stress and frustration from school life."

Bruscato began college hoping to become a high school baseball coach but got involved with intramurals as a student worker. A self-described "sports fanatic," he said that intramurals give him a chance to be around sports on a daily basis.

"I wanted to be a coach, but intramurals keep me around sports all day," he said. "I enjoy it. I like being around a college setting because most people will participate because of their own choosing, unlike high school where some kids are forced to participate."

Although he is just starting out here at Northwestern, Bruscato has his sights set on someday being in charge of his own department somewhere.

"I want to improve and eventually be one of the best intramural directors around," he said. "Of course I want to move up and eventually be the boss someday, but I know that it will take time and a lot more learning for me to get there."

I don't want to be the assistant forever."

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self these days," Tanya Flegeance, a senior at LSMSA, said. "Self-defense is important. It also strengthens your body. The class is not difficult. It's fun and improves self-confidence."

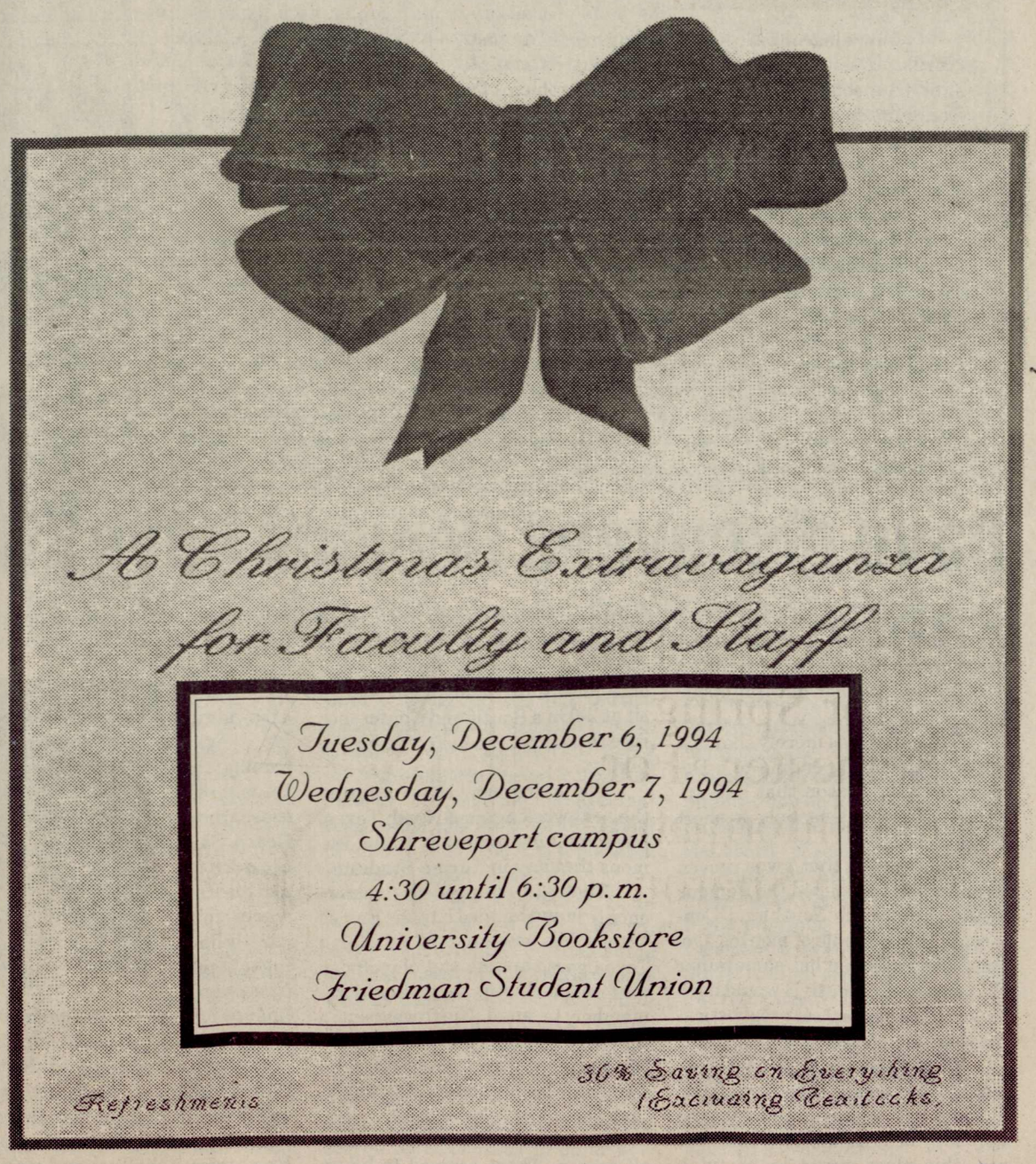
"I took tae kwon do before, and I wanted to stay in martial arts," Caroline Lefleur, a junior at LSMSA, said. "I just wanted to know how to defend myself and not depend on anyone else."

Most martial arts classes begin with easy calisthenics and stretching to loosen the proper muscles. Then students progress to drills. Once they learn the basic moves, students repeat them until the movements become faster, more precise and second nature to better repel attacks.

Students stretch, strengthen and tone their bodies while increasing stamina. They also learn to include self-discipline, mental concentration and respect for others into training and all other aspects of their lives as well.

According to Adams, martial arts students tend to have a lower level of anxiety and better control violent impulses because of the control they must exhibit over themselves during training.

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# Lady Demon basketball faces tough opponents in new season

David Weaver
*Current Sauce*

The Lady Demons are expecting great things this season on the basketball court, with nearly every preseason poll tabbing Northwestern as the favorite to unseat six-time defending Southland Conference champion Stephen F. Austin in the 1994-1995 campaign.

But Lady Demon coach James Smith has taken on a preseason schedule that should keep his team's attention on a game-by-game basis and make it hard for the Lady Demons to rest on preseason accolades.

The Lady Demons will face such national powerhouses as Stanford, Iowa, Nebraska and Mississippi during the non-conference portion of the schedule. The killer schedule, according to Smith, was created with a distinct purpose in mind.

"We are looking forward to our non-conference schedule," Smith said. "Playing such an ambitious schedule will enable us to see where we are when the conference schedule rolls around. We will be tested early this year and hopefully that will prepare us for the Southland Conference race."

Beginning with the season opener tonight in Lincoln, Neb., against the Lady Huskers, who return three starters from last season's 17-13 team, the Lady Demons will play one of the toughest non-conference schedules in the Southland Conference.

On Dec. 2-3, Northwestern will travel to Oxford, Miss., to compete in the Ole Miss Tournament, where the Lady Demons will face nationally-ranked host Mississippi and Southwest Conference foe Texas Christian.

Following the home opener against Louisiana College on Dec. 7, Northwestern will head west to play in the Stanford Tournament, where the Lady Demons should really get a good idea of how they stand, according to Smith.

The Lady Demons will open the tournament against Iowa, which is coming off a 21-7 season a year ago, with the winner of that game facing national powerhouse Stanford, which finished 23-6 last season.

"Playing in the Stanford Tournament will give us some good exposure," Smith said. "By playing Iowa in the first game of the tournament, it will tell us where our program is and what we need to do to get to the next level."

The non-conference schedule, of course, does not include games against perennial SLC kingpins Stephen F. Austin and Northeast Louisiana, who finished first and second in the conference, respectively, in 1993 and 1994. Smith knows that the Lady Demons will have their work cut out for them if the preseason polls are to be proven true.

"Stephen F. Austin will be tough to beat, as always," Smith said. "Northeast will get better as the season progresses and will be hard to beat in February. There are five or six teams that could win the conference."

"We do have a tough schedule, but that makes it exciting," said junior shooting guard, Angela Simpson, a preseason All-SLC first-team selection. "We should do well if we play good team defense."

"It will be interesting to play someone different," said Stephanie Shaw, a junior point guard who has been selected a preseason second-team All-SLC choice. "We know we have to meet expectations and to do that, we have to work as a team."

Junior All-America candidate, Joskeen Garner, feels the tough schedule and national exposure for the Lady Demons is deserved.

"We feel that we have nothing to lose in non-conference," said Garner, last season's Louisiana C Player of the Year. "SFA has had attention every year and we've ways wanted it. Well, now we've it and have got to do something w it."

Smith feels that the tough sch ule won't be just a learning expe ence for his team. He wants team to gain much more from early season tests.

"We are a team with good a letic ability, but we are one recru ing class away from being able play with any team in the coun because of the lack of a big p player that the elite college progra have," Smith said. "But in these to naments we are going out there win, not to just be a competit team."

# Men's basketball begins with win

Mike Whitmire
*Current Sauce*

Northwestern opened its men's basketball by knocking off VASDA USA 63-57 Nov. 15 at Prather Coliseum in an exhibition contest.

Taurius Brown led the way for the Demons with 18 points, 11 rebounds and two blocked shots.

Northwestern opened the game with a 6-0 run and never trailed. Nine minutes into the contest, Northwestern expanded the lead to 19-3 and VASDA didn't get its first field goal until the 10-minute mark.

"I thought we played extremely well the first 10 to 12 minutes of the game," J.D. Barnett, new Demon coach, said. "After that, we quit playing as hard and as smart as we did the first 10 to 12 minutes."

Northwestern opened its biggest lead of the game at 36-8 with 3:56 left in the first half, but was outscored by VASDA 10-4 the rest of the half and the Demons held a 40-18 halftime lead.

The two teams battled evenly through most of the second half, but after Chris Trailer scored to put the Demons up 57-37 with 5:17 left, VASDA made a serious run.

VASDA went on a 9-0 run to move within 57-46 with 2:23 left.

Northwestern held a 60-49 advantage after Seth LeGrand scored on a fast break with 1:24 left, but VASDA came back with eight points in less than a minute to shrink the Demon lead to 61-57 with 31 seconds left.

Two free throws by Kenny McMillon gave Northwestern the final margin of victory.

"This will give the team a little confidence," Barnett said. "But I was disappointed with how we finished. I told them after the game I was disappointed that when we got up we didn't go for the jugular. We gave them some life to make the run with."

Charles Duncan added 10 points for the Demons, Trailer had eight points and seven rebounds, Ken Wafer pulled down nine boards and point guard Ryan Bundy dished out seven assists.

Dan Avery had 13 points to lead VASDA, and Willis Johnson added 10.

The Demons will play Troy State at home tonight at 7p.m.

# Bruscato enjoys time with Leisure Activities

David Weaver/ *Current Sauce*

Intramurals are a key activity in the college careers of most students. For Scott Bruscato, it has turned into a career itself.

Bruscato, in his first year as assistant director of leisure activities and recreational sports at Northwestern, described his first semester as a learning experience.



**Bruscato**

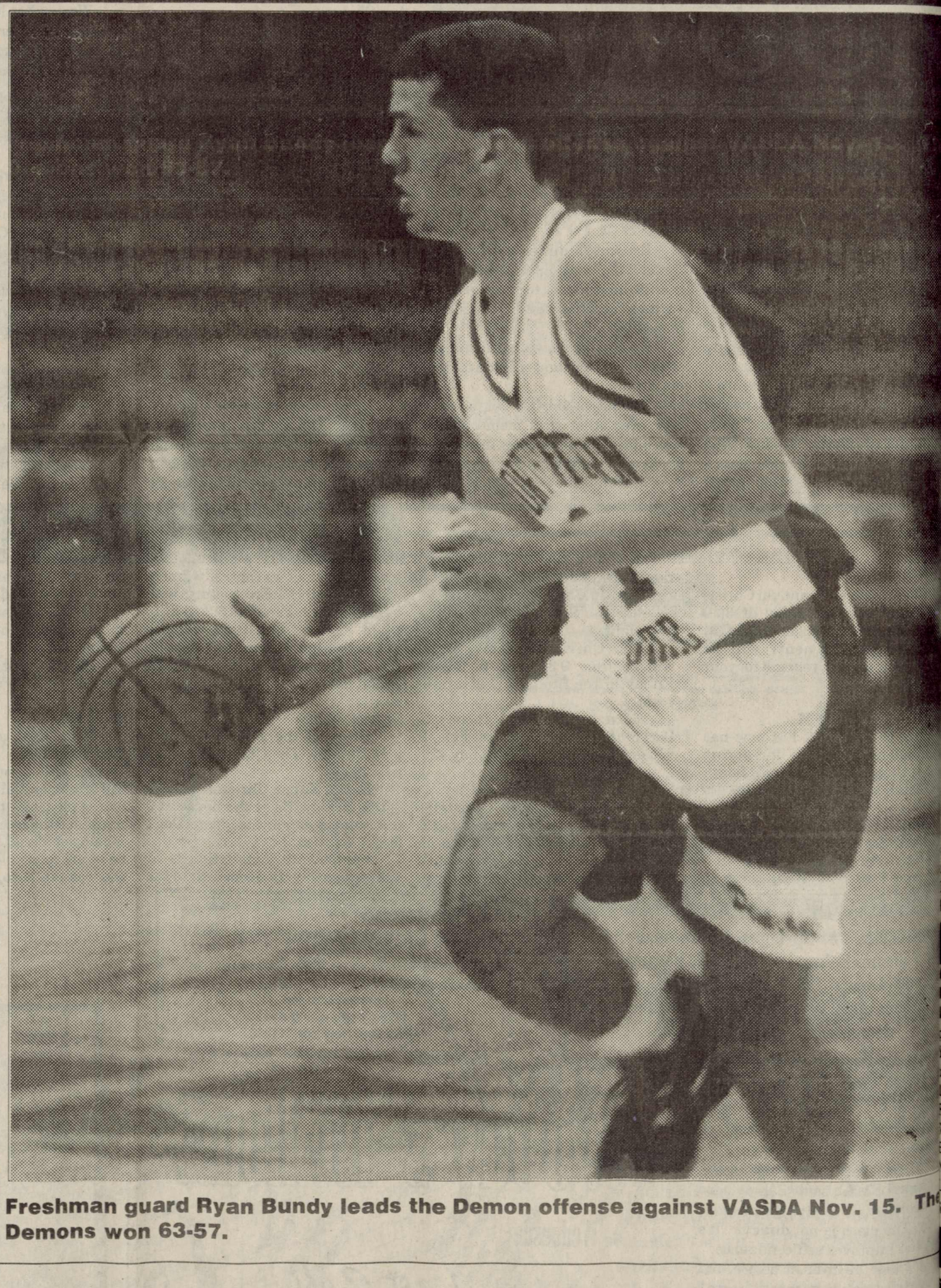
"I have learned a lot since coming here in August," Bruscato said. "Dr. Newman [leisure activities director] has been a big help for me with some problems I've encountered this year that could have turned out to be bad situations. He's been doing this a long time and his experience has really helped me get a handle on the job."

Bruscato came to Northwestern from Northeast Louisiana University, where he earned a B.S. degree in health and human performance in 1992 and a M.E.D. in exercise science this past spring. A native of Monroe, he has been around recreational sports most of his life and sees intramurals as a key element in a student's college life.

"The good thing about an intramural program is that it offers a variety of events that will appeal to the general student population instead of just a

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## Fastbreak



**Freshman guard Ryan Bundy leads the Demon offense against VASDA Nov. 15. The Demons won 63-57.**

# Dave discovers Demons have little in common with George Foreman

The crashing sound coming from the Northwestern field house the last month had nothing to do with an earthquake or other natural disaster.

The sound was merely that of a very disappointing ending to a Demons' football season that had appeared so promising only a short while ago.

I must admit that I was proven wrong when I predicted the Demons would capture the Southland Conference title a couple of months ago. But I also know that had some minor things gone differently, I would have looked like the greatest prognosticator this side of George Foreman.

What do I mean by minor? Well, simply, that means turnovers. If the Demons had beaten up on teams the way they beat themselves this season, this place would be partying right now with a football team in the Division I-AA playoffs. This was a team that blew away Sam Houston on a miserable night in October to sit at 2-0 in a Southland Conference race that appeared to be ripe for the taking.

The taking should have occurred the next week against North Texas, but something happened to the Demons that day in Turpin Stadium.

They gift-wrapped the conference title and handed it to the Eagles with a big bow on top. As North Texas goes through the playoffs as conference champ they should remember to send Northwestern a thank-you note. Turnovers, penalties and mental mistakes caused the Demons to lose a game, quite frankly, they should have never lost.

But mistakes killed the Demons all season. There seemed to be an attitude that if something bad could happen, it would.

The injury bug also made its way through the team all season long. Coach Sam Goodwin and his staff were constantly having to juggle starting lineups offensively and defensively, from Brad Laird's shoulder injury in preseason workouts to Nathan Platt's ankle injury against Louisiana Tech which kept him out of the big game with McNeese. James Brock missed the Tech and McNeese games with a fluke injury sustained in the weight room, and All-Conference hopeful Tony Echols was banged up in an injury-depleted secondary that was just picked apart by McNeese.




But perhaps the biggest reason for the Demon collapse runs much deeper.

After beating up a Nicholls State squad in the season's third game, the Demons stunk up the field the next week against Division II East Texas State, a loss which forced the Demons into must-win situations every week to retain credibility. No matter what they did each week, everything reverted back to that loss.

**SPORTS TALK**

Against North Texas, when the Demons could have really taken a firm grip on the conference standings, Northwestern allowed an inferior team to dominate the first half and created a hole they just couldn't climb out of.

This team didn't even show up to play against McNeese, going into the tank in a game that had playoff implications. And that type of game doesn't happen around here very often.

The Demons had every opportunity to make believers out of their detractors and to make a name for themselves, but simply blew it. Something caused the Demons to disappear when the pressure was on, and that something is what Goodwin and his staff must figure out in a long off season.

This football team had all the tools and opportunities in the wo to win. They had a good quart back, a strong running game an tough defense. Everything was the

But their play was not v smart. Somehow, the game plan lost between the locker room and field. This was a team that had play smart football to win and couldn't pull it off. Dropped pass blown assignments, bonehead p alties...

For a season so promising one time, this one turned out to b mirage. With several starters turning next season, the Dem need to decide now if they want take the next step next season.

If not, the same mediocre sults can be expected, and one thi is for certain.

There won't be any bold predi tions around here anymore.



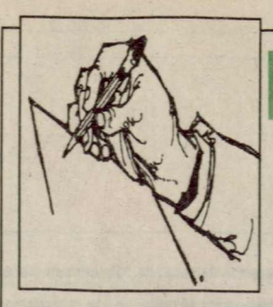
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NSU will host a retirement party for Jack Freeman, athletic business manager, at 2 p.m. Friday in the Purple and White room



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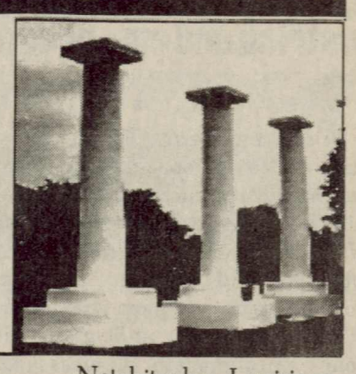
Student stress/cramming are common during final exam week



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Gun violence during Christmas Festival over-blown in media


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# Campus forum addresses sexual harassment

*Editor's note: This is our final installment of our series on sexual assault.*

Sexual harassment, date rape and theft were some of the topics discussed at the Student Government Association's campus forum on crimes at the University. Over 30 students came to the forum -- the best attendance at a campus forum this year.

Francis Conine, director of Career Counseling Services, Fred Fulton, dean of student affairs, and Detective Doug Prescott from University police spoke at the forum along with other school officials.

Conine explained the effects of sexual harassment and assault. According to Conine, sexual harassment is "behavior or comments which are distracting from education."

Fulton said that, so far, harassment has not been a serious problem at Northwestern. "We have not had an official sexual harassment complaint reported at the University," he said.

Fulton also said that students should report any sexual harassment to the campus police with names, dates and witnesses to the harassment.

Despite the infrequency of harassment reports at Northwestern, the University is still taking steps to keep the genders equitable.

"We conduct orientation classes that deal with sexual assault and sexual harassment, those types of issues," Conine said. She also said that Career Counseling Services regularly provide seminars at the various dorms on campus.

While sexual harassment crimes routinely go unreported, Detective Prescott said theft remains a problem. "We have a genuine concern here between the instructors, students, police, [Resident Assistants] and house directors and we try to keep a good rapport with the students," Prescott said.

Most thefts occur in dormitories, according to Prescott. Many students leave their doors unlocked or loan their keys to someone and then are surprised to find some of their belongings missing.

"A lot of the situations that we see arise we sometimes bring on to ourselves. Be alert to what is going on," he said. "If you do witness something, you need to talk to us. We have an excellent Crime Stoppers program. It works. "

Another concern on campus is the lack of adequate lighting. Students asked Fred Fulton, dean of student affairs, what the University planned to do to resolve the problem. "We do have some lighting improvements in front of Kyser Hall, but it is still not adequate," he said. "We will still continue to improve the lighting. We have talked about improving the lighting around some of the residence halls."

Fulton said that although there is not adequate lighting, students can come by or call the police station if they want to be walked to a building or to their car. "If you're coming in late, go by the police and they'll put a patrol car in that lot," he said. "There are also campus walkers."

Prescott encourages all students to take advantage of the protection the University Police offers. "That is what they're here for."

## World Report

### CAMPUS

**ARGUS ANNOUNCES LITERARY WINNERS:** Three students won prizes for their poems entered in the Fall *Argus* poetry contest. Sarah Credeur won first place for *Dixie*. Second place went to Daniel Alan Hypes for *A Response to Keats* and Tanya Bertrand won third place for *Asphalt Blues*. The winners in the fiction category are Terry Pleasant, first place, *Tanner's Place*; John Doughty Jr., second place, *When God Died*, and Sean McGill, third place, *Steven*. The nonfiction winners are Amanda Lord, first place, *Friere's Flight for Human Consciousness*; C. Michael Edwards, second place, *A Conversation with C: A Constructed Little Tale*, and Mark Burt, third place, *The Lost Lamb*. Others that will be published are listed at Rm. 229 of the Student Union.

**YOUNG SCHOLARS' ADVANCE PROGRAM RECEIVES GRANT:** The grant will be used for scholarships for students in the Advance Program from New Orleans. The grant was provided by the Rosa Mary Foundation of New Orleans. **PAGE 2**

### CITY

**THREE NATCHITOCHES RESIDENTS TO COMPETE AT SPECIAL OLYMPICS WORLD GAMES:** The athletes and coaches of Team Louisiana were announced Nov. 7 at the Capitol Building in Baton Rouge for the Special Olympics World Games. Natchitoches has three athletes on Team Louisiana, one is an official team member and two are alternates. Tim Bennett, the official team member, will participate in the equestrian event and Sharon Osborn and Nicole Pier are the two alternates who will also compete in the equestrian event. The games will be held in New Haven, Cônnecticut, July 1 - 9.

### STATE

**ALEXANDRIA RANKS NO. 3 IN THE NATION FOR VIOLENT CRIME:** Alexandria placed third after Miami and New York for the most violent crime offenses per 100,000 people in 1993. The study, conducted by the FBI, based it on crimes of murder, forcible rape, robbery and assault. Baton Rouge ranked sixth and New Orleans ranked 12th. Louisiana ranked as the most fourth violent state.

### NATION

**STUDENT EXPERIMENT IN ORBIT:** An experiment designed and built by about 60 University of Colorado-Boulder students has made it to the Earth's upper atmosphere. As part of a 10 day November mission aboard the NASA space shuttle, the student-built instrument package was used to study the effects of solar radiation on the Earth's upper atmosphere. Dubbed ESCAPE II, the CU payload consists of a spectrometer and a digital imaging telescope.

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# Repairs begin on historic church

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*Current Sauce*

To repair damage caused by age and the elements, parishioners of historical Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Second and Church streets in Natchitoches, are sponsoring a pledge drive to raise money for renovations, according to Jimmy DeBlieux, chairman of the church restoration committee.

Although the church itself was built in 1857, it's history is much older, beginning in 1716 or 1717 when Fr. Antonio Margil de Jesus walked 21 miles from Los Adaes, a Spanish mission, to say mass at the French military post in Natchitoches. The first Catholic Church built in Natchitoches was St. Francis, a chapel built inside the stockade of Fort St. Jean Baptiste in 1728 or 1729.

In 1734 a church was built on the north corner of the present Front and Church streets. A third church, made of stone, was constructed between 1771 and 1773 but destroyed by fire in 1823. The fourth church was dedicated on Oct. 5, 1828 but burned March 17, 1838. The fifth church, built between 1839 and 1842, was located on the present site of Peoples Bank.

The committee will present fund raising plans for a three-year pledge program strictly to the Immaculate Conception congregation, according to DeBlieux. This is the first time in 40 years that the congregation has been challenged with raising funds for renovations. DeBlieux said he hoped concerned non-parishoners would also donate funds to the pledge drive.

"It's [the church] a landmark whether you belong to the Catholic Church or not," DeBlieux said. "Everybody who belongs to Natchitoches and knows the history of the church would be in favor of the restoration. We will accept any contribution towards the restoration of this building."

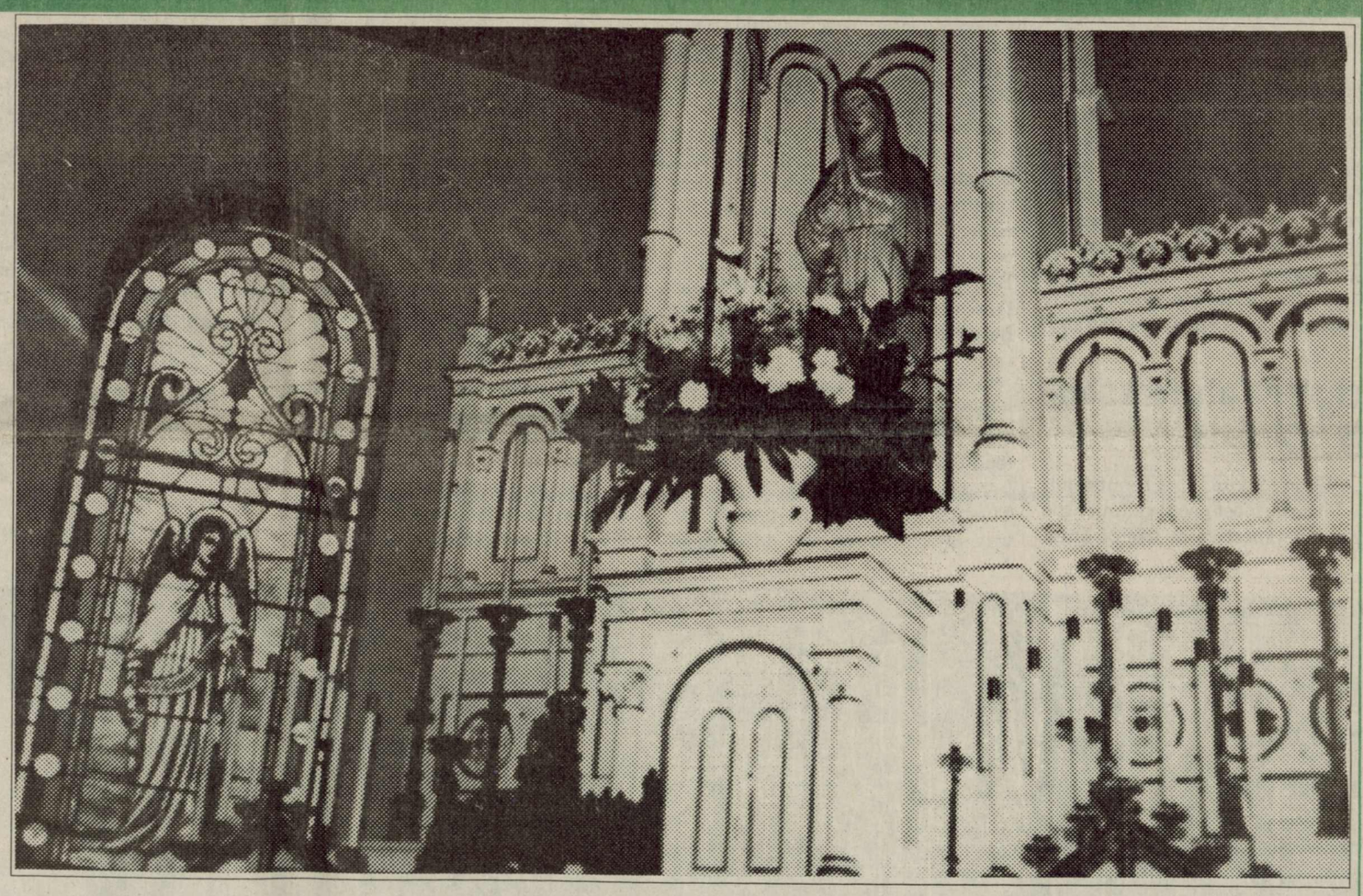
The pledge drive will end in mid-December, according to DeBlieux. The architectural and engineering firm of Slack, Alost, Miremont and Associates has already completed a comprehensive building survey of the church and noted what repairs are needed and planned. According to DeBlieux, the committee will contact architects in early 1995 for drawings and specifications and the job should go to bid in mid spring of 1995. Construction should begin in late spring and last between a year and 18 months.

During the renovations to the interior of the church — which should take between 12 and 18 months — the church will close. However, the Saturday vigil mass and two Sunday morning masses will take place at the gymnasium of St. Mary's High School. Day to day church activities will not be interrupted, according to DeBlieux. The church will reopen with a dedication ceremony when all inside work is completed, DeBlieux said.

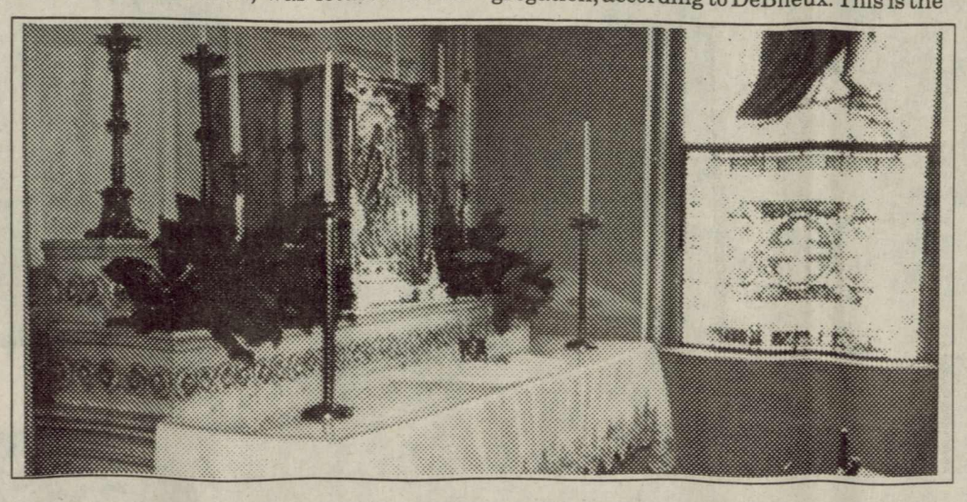
The renovations will take place in a series of steps placed in order of importance, according to DeBlieux. The first step will involve replacing some of the bricks used in the outer walls of the structure. According to the survey, the bricks used in Immaculate Conception Church were probably formed and fired on the

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## *Restoration*



**Replacement of the weather proofing on the stained glass windows at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church is part of the second phase of the church's restoration. Immaculate Conception is sponsoring a pledge drive to raise money for much needed renovations on the 137-year-old church.** PHOTO BY JEFF GUIN



# First woman director of NASA to speak to graduates

Dr. Carolyn Leach Huntoon will be the commencement speaker at Northwestern's fall commencement exercises at 7 p.m. Friday, in Prather Coliseum. According to the registrar's office, approximately 350-400 students are expected to graduate.

Huntoon, a graduate of Northwestern, was named director of the Johnson Space Center in Houston in January and is the first woman to direct a NASA center.

Huntoon has spent the past 20 years on the frontiers of space exploration. She began her research into the human physiological aspects of space flight during the Gemini and Apollo programs as a graduate student and continues to participate in defining and developing experiments to explain changes in the human body caused by space flight.

Huntoon joined NASA in 1968 through a National Research Council post-doctoral research fellowship. She was a NASA senior research physiologist specializing in endocrine and biochemical research during the extended duration Skylab program where she was the principal investigator of the experiment dealing with endocrine and biochemical measurements.



**Huntoon**

While at NASA, Huntoon has held a variety of assignments within the Agency. She was chosen as chief of the Biomedical Laboratories Branch at the Johnson Space Center, responsible for all aspects of biochemical, hematological, and physiological investigations of humans in space. From the start of the Shuttle program, she has participated in astronaut selection boards. Huntoon served as associate director of the Johnson Space Center from 1984 to 1987, sharing management responsibilities for the wide variety of activities at this large research and development facility.

In 1987, she was named as director of Space and Life Sciences, with responsibility for managing medical research and operations as well as the physical science activities at the Johnson Space Center. As director of NASA's Johnson Space Center she has responsibility for managing its variety of human space flight-related tasks. Huntoon has served as consultant to other government agencies and as director of various professional and voluntary organizations. During her career, she has authored over 200 scientific publications on human space flight physiology and has served on editorial boards of scientific journals.

Huntoon has been recognized internationally for human space flight physiology research, including scientific awards from the former Soviet Union and Russia. NASA has recognized her work as scientist and manager with numerous honors and awards, including the Scientific Achievement Medal, Exceptional Service Medal, Outstanding Leadership Award, and Distinguished Service Medal.

## NSU to offer course on ostrich and emu breeding

Northwestern's Division of Continuing Education will offer a course on ostrich and emu breeding on Dec. 13 and 15 in Alexandria. The course, *Introduction to emu and ostrich farming*, will be taught from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. in Room 106 of the University Center at England Airpark. Enrollment for the class is $25 which includes a textbook.

The course will be taught by emu breeder Earl Lattier of Lafayette. Lattier will cover financial requirements of ostrich and emu breeding, land and facility requirements, incubation and hatching as well as an overview of the breeding market.

"The ostrich and emu market has tremendous potential," Lattier said. "Right now, we don't have the supply of ostrich meat to meet the demand. We've been dependent on the Australian market but it's been depleted."

For more information on the class, contact the Division of Continuing Education at 357-4570 or 1-800-256-2822.

## Advance program for young scholars receives grant

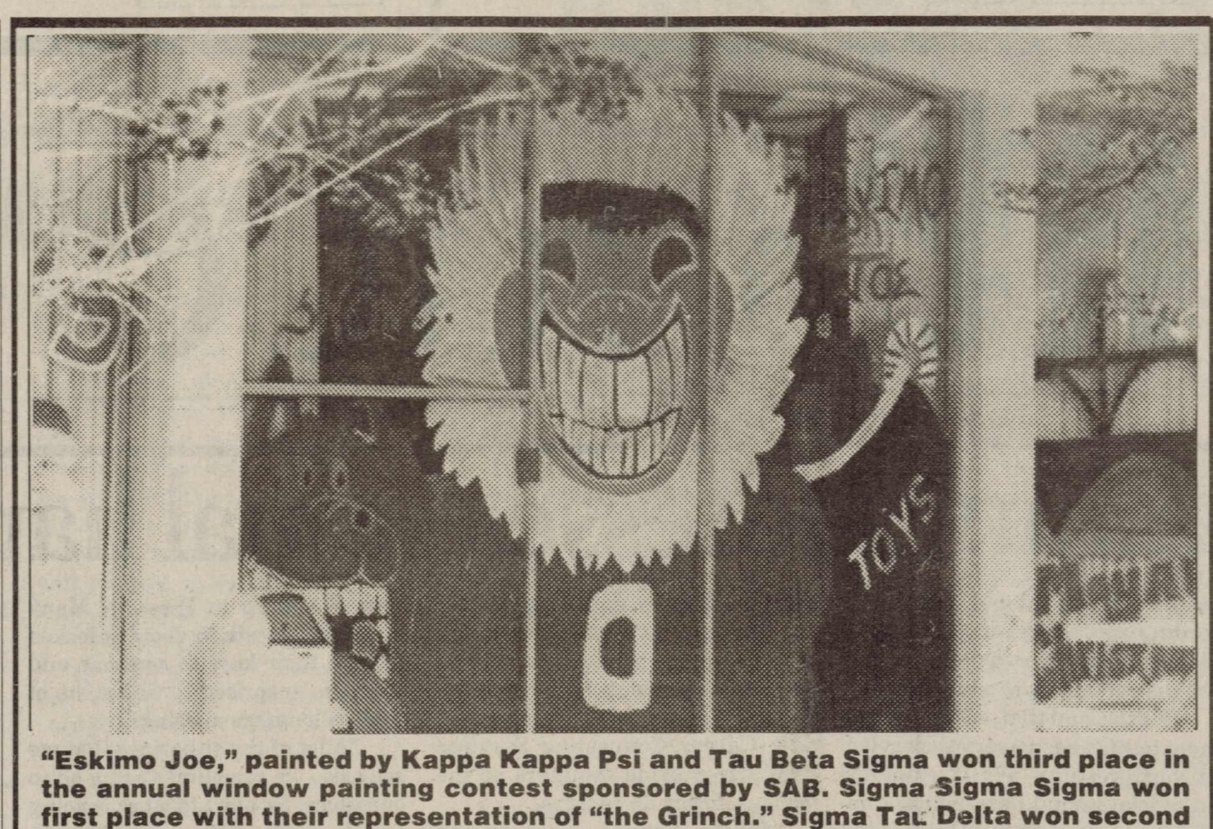
The Rosa Mary Foundation of New Orleans has donated a grant to the Advance Program for Young Scholars at Northwestern.

The grant will be used to give scholarships for students in the Advance Program from New Orleans.

"The RosaMary Foundation has been a long-time supporter of the Advance Program," Martha Talbert, director of the Advance Program, said. "We welcome their support and the opportunity it gives us to assist outstanding students who want to participate in the Advance Program."

## Scholars' student studies pigments

When looking at a Rembrandt or a Picasso, most people admire the artist's perspective or use of lines.




**"Eskimo Joe," painted by Kappa Kappa Psi and Tau Beta Sigma won third place in the annual window painting contest sponsored by SAB. Sigma Sigma Sigma won first place with their representation of "the Grinch." Sigma Tau Delta won second for their portrayal of "Natchitoches: the City of Lights."**

Robin Gayle Hemperley may wonder, "How did they get that shade of blue?" Hemperley, a senior in the Scholar' College is completing her senior thesis project on pigments.

A pigment is a substance that imparts white, black or a color to other materials. It is a powdered substance that is mixed with a liquid in which it is relatively insoluble and used to impart color to coating materials such as paints.

The project allowed Hemperley to combine her love of art and chemistry. She had to learn which chemicals to mix to create a particular color or shade and which chemicals and colors can be combined.

"Many artists go to the store, buy their paints and splash them on a canvas, but a lot of paintings are ruined because they mix the wrong colors," Hemperley, who is from Benton, said. "You can learn through trial and error, but artists would be better off learning a little chemistry."

According to Hemperley, art had a stiff price for many artists, who spent their careers creating with lead-based paints. Hemperley called her project, *What Killed Napoleon?* The title was an attention-grabbing way of explaining the dangers of lead.

"In high school, I remember reading an article that said Napoleon didn't die from arsenic poisoning as many people thought," she said. "Pigments killed Napoleon. He died from exposure to lead in the wallpaper of the house where he was exiled.

"Artists didn't realize how deadly lead was. Some of them would work with a paintbrush in their mouth which was like eating lead."

The project began two years ago when Hemperley took a class on art and science jointly taught by Dr. Nadya Keller, professor of chemistry, and Dr. Jean D'Amato

According to Hemperley, her research has made her a better artist, and has changed her appreciation of art. The project gave her a chance to create illuminated manuscripts and work with gold leaves.

For her thesis project, Hemperley created several works depicting a mother and child as they were shown at several points in history. Her illustrations ranged from pictures of the Madonna and child to Picasso.

"The theme of mother and child has been a common one throughout history--It was popular and easy to find examples of," Hemperley said.

Pigments have other uses in art besides being the building blocks of color. Pigments can be used to determine fakes and forgeries. Scientists can tell when a painting was done by breaking down the pigments.

After graduating, Hemperley plans to either attend graduate school to study restoration or teach.

## Will All Bets Be Off?

Newspapers that don't pull college hoops from their betting lines may find their reporters banned from covering the Final Four—the championship tournament in college men's basketball.

The NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Committee wants newspapers to stop printing betting lines that include collegiate basketball. If publishers don't agree, the committee said, they won't be allowed to send reporters to cover the Final Four.

"There has always been a great concern about gambling and how it influences college sports," NCAA spokesperson Kathryn Reith, said. "The Men's Basketball Committee is just trying to generate more discussion on the entire problem."

Duke athletic director Tom Butters proposed the idea last July before he stepped down as chairman of the committee. Butters has said that easy access to the betting line makes gambling on college games more commonplace, and that people betting on games sometimes try to influence players.

According to the Council on Compulsive Gambling, nearly $400 million was bet legally on sporting events in 1993. Although exact figures are not available, council officials said illegal betting far exceeds that number.

The potential ban is currently being reviewed by NCAA attorneys. A final vote to recommend the motion to the Executive Committee will be taken at the end of December in New York.

According to the NCAA's Reith, the NCAA has taken action against newspapers before. After allegations were made in the 1980s that college players were fixing games for gamblers, the NCAA barred newspapers that accepted advertising from gambling services from covering the Final Four.

## N.C. State Researchers Test "Rubcrete"

Rubber tires that used to travel across the highway could be recycled to become part of the highway, said a North Carolina State University researcher.

The NCSU researcher is mixing ground rubber with concrete to form what he calls "rubcrete."

"There is a dire need to dispose of these tires," Dr. Shuaib Ahmad said, professor of civil engineering.

"What we are trying to do is to utilize ground tires in concrete or cement materials. A Mississippi-based company grinds the tires into a small, powder form, and we take it from there."

Tires don't decompose in landfills, and already, landfills and dumps across the nation contain enough rubber tires to form a chain that would circle the globe 40 times. Americans throw out enough tires each year to go around four more times.

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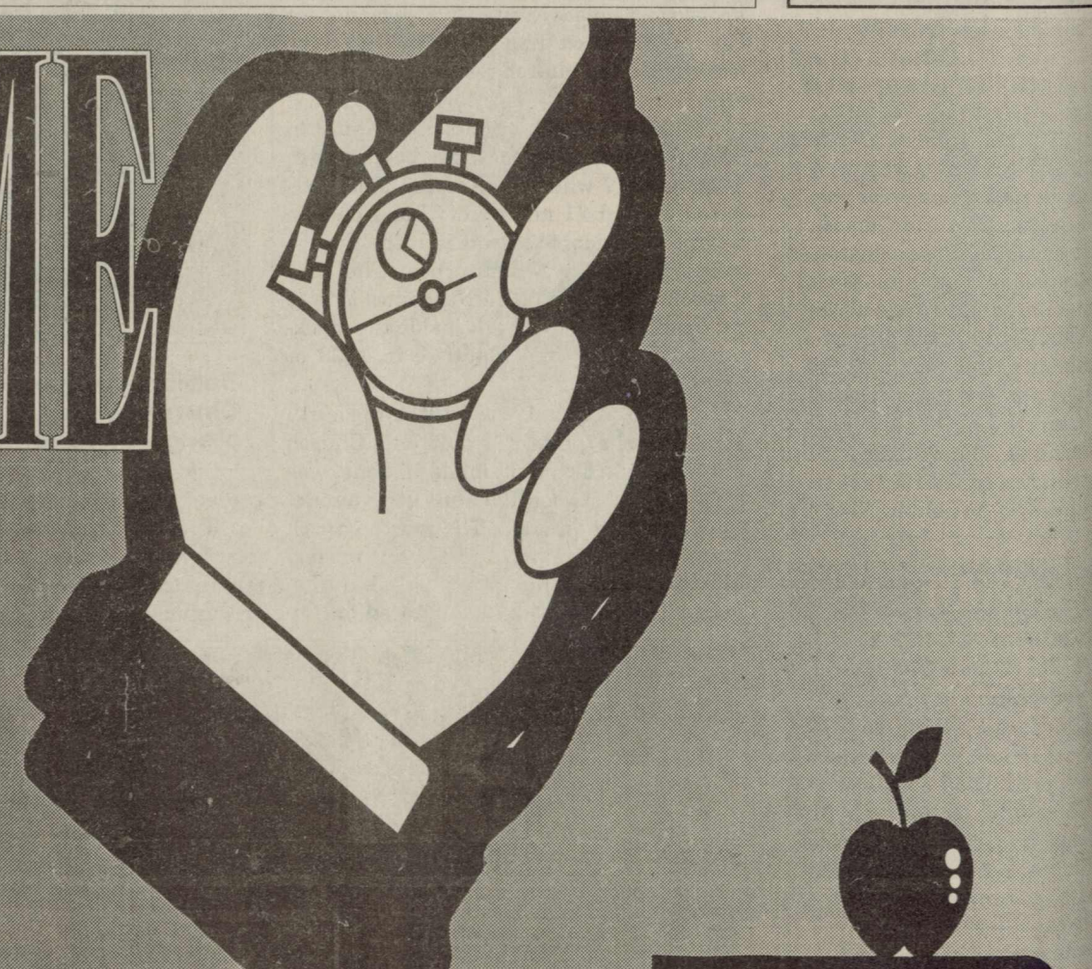
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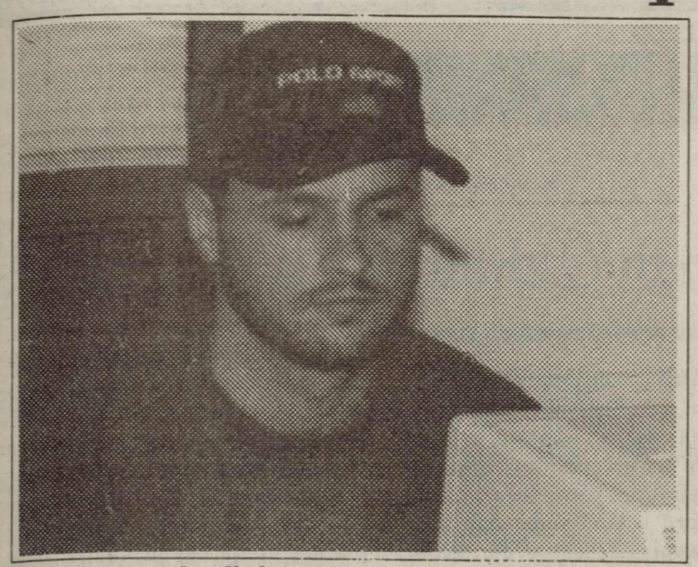
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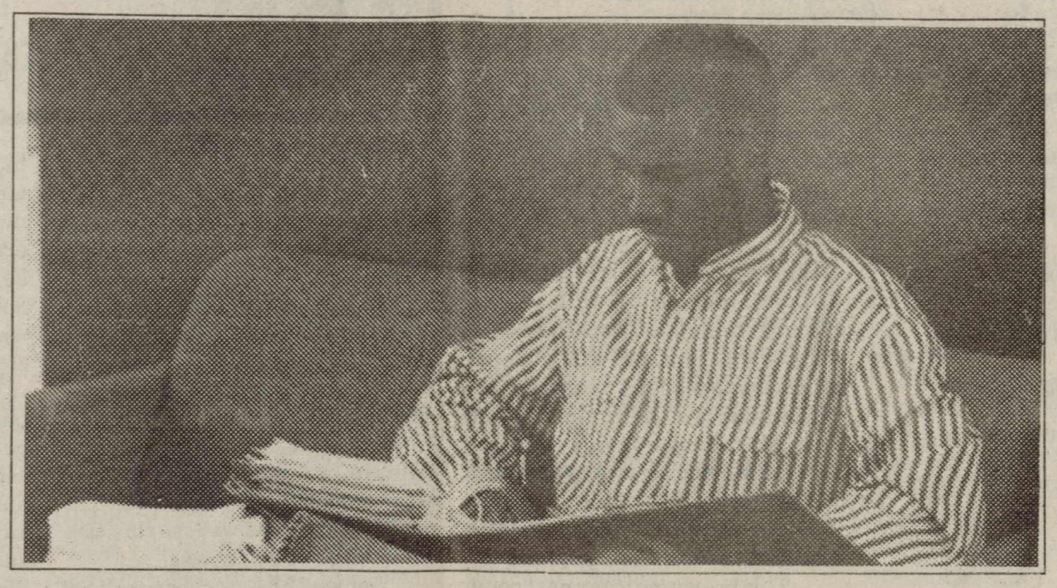
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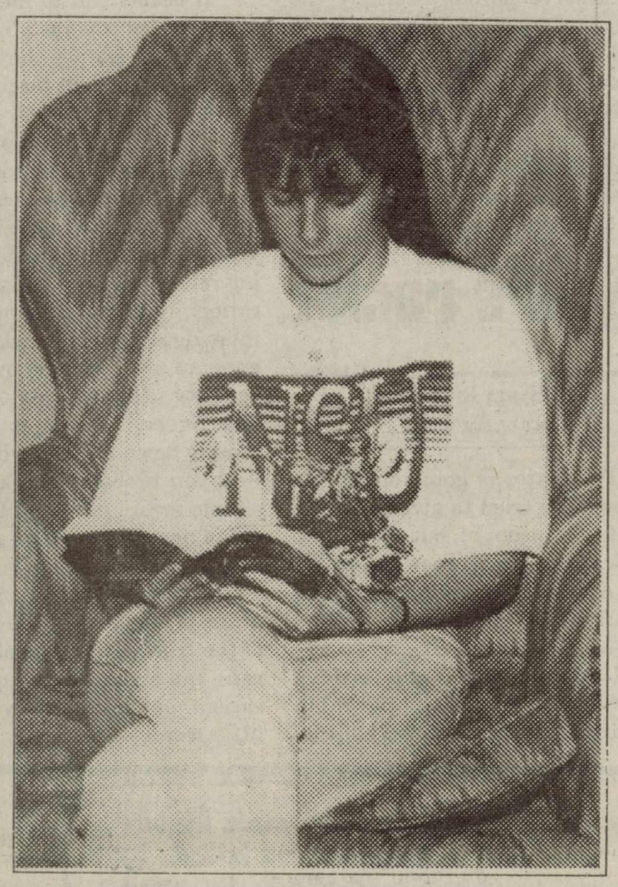
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# Students find quiet spaces for cramming Finals Stress





Ken Posey Jr. finishes his final story for news writing (top). JoAnn Marshall reviews notes for a minute in Scholars' College offices (below). John Williams studies organic chemistry (right).



PHOTOS BY HEATHER COOLEY

HEATHER URENA
*Current Sauce*

**Stress makes the last two weeks of school seem like the end of the world. The solution for some students' is to find interesting places to study. Others trying to get in a few more minutes of cramming look for quiet halls.**

**But approximately two weeks ago, many students, in a panic anticipating the burden of finals, were filling the counseling offices.**

**University counselor Elizabeth Hughes said, "At this point, the stress has reached such a peak that everyone is too busy running around with classes and work that they aren't coming by."**

**Hughes said taking time out from studying and not making self-statements could help reduce the stress level.**

**And, 15 minutes of self-nurturing won't detract from studying, and it could help students' concentration level.**

**Self-statements can cause students to put undue pressures on themselves to succeed. "We can't live in the future," Hughes said, "All we can do is right this minute."**

**Many students have already turned their attention to finishing last projects and studying for finals.**

**Ken Posey Jr., a journalism major, said, "I just started studying early over Thanksgiving break. I am working on the final story for [journalism 2510]."**

**Taking a break helps another student stay focused.**

**"I am studying now with a few breaks in between," John Williams, a junior biology major, said. "By watching football, I can be concerned on watching the game and cheering."**

**But finals time has crept up on a few, and cramming is a popular alternative to continuous study time.**

**"I am eventually going to look over the notes I have previously taken this semester," JoAnn Marshall, a freshman Scholars' student, said.**

# Holiday at home means celebration

LISA MITCHELL HOLT AND HEATHER URENA
*Current Sauce*

When students leave campus following the fall semester, they go home to celebrate Christmas. But none celebrate the holidays in exactly the same manner.

Some students have family traditions of reading the Christmas story before dinner, going caroling, sitting by a warm fire and drinking eggnog, while others may collect food or toys for the needy. Some students view Christmas as a vacation from the everyday hustle of college and work.

"On Christmas Eve my family and I attend mass," Susan Kliebert, a senior journalism major from Lutcher, La., said. "Then we go to bonfires on the levee to light the way for Santa Claus. On Christmas Day we all sleep late then have lunch together."

Shirlyn Smith, a sophomore accounting major from Winnfield, La., said that Christmas is not about presents. "It is about the birth of Jesus," Smith, an African-Methodist, said.

"For me, Christmas is a time to remember the wonderful gift of Jesus' birth and to spend time with my family and friends," Rebecca Bacle, Northwestern's Miss LOB, said. "Also, it's a month to catch up on missed sleep."

Leonardo Cecchini, a junior journalism major, said that in Oviedo, Spain, there is an observance on Dec. 25, but gifts are not exchanged until Jan. 6, because that is the observance of King's Day, the day the Wise Men brought gifts to the Christ-child.

"We just all get together and have a big meal and sing," Cecchini said. "We go around to different family members' houses and eat and sing."

Chris Wray, a freshman general studies major from Zwolle, La., said Santa isn't the only visitor for Christmas Day. Wray has family arriving from Mississippi and Texas. The family's Southern Baptist heritage will take all 30 of them to church. According to Jeff Cryer, a junior journalism major and friend, the Wray family takes up about five pews.

"We just get together," Wray said. "That's the main thing."

Family get-togethers seem to be the choice of all students returning home for a much needed break.

# *Natchitoches residents flee as tourists flood City of Lights*

HEATHER COOLEY
*Current Sauce*

Although events at the 68th annual Festival of Lights weren't as explosive as the fireworks, the success wasn't just a shot in the dark.

Although attendance was down from 150,000 to an estimated 100,000, the city of Natchitoches was still congested with traffic and festival goers.

One incident that will linger in many people's mind is the shooting that occurred on the corner of Front and Church streets. A 19-year-old Natchitoches man was arrested Saturday evening in connection with the shooting. With the exception of this incident, troublesome occurrences were isolated.

Jesse Tweed, a junior from New Jersey and member of the National Guard, helped man the barricades. Although this was Tweed's first year at the festival, he believes that the security was handled well and he did not see any real problems.

Also, having a house or business along the parade route alleviates some problems.

Sophomore Monique Couvillion, who has a house on Second Street, had friends and family over for the parade.

"I enjoyed this Christmas Festival a lot more this year," Couvillion said. "Since we were right here (on Second Street), we didn't have to fight the crowd."

Although some area residents were disturbed with people trespassing and littering their property, Couvillion didn't find that to be a problem.

"We didn't have strangers coming up," Couvillion said. "They respected the ropes, which was surprising."

Sophomore Ashley Cotton could not echo Couvillion's statement.

"We couldn't get out of our driveway and yard," Cotton said. "Getting back and forth was a hassle. I am pregnant, and if I had had an emergency, I would have had to walk to the hospital.

"I realize that people from out of town need a place to park, but my front yard is not the place," Cotton said. I also don't think the guy next door to us should charge so people can park in our yard."

Although some residents posted no trespassing signs, others took advantage of the prime location of their homes by charging money for parking in their yards. Some local businesses do the same and provide a valet service using area youth. Many out-of-towners didn't seem to mind.

"I come from Oregon and we don't have 'festivals,'" Mike Whitmire, a journalism freshman, said. "It is the event of the year for Natchitoches. It is great for local businesses and it's a chance for people to eat great food, watch the parade, watch the lights and fireworks and meet new people and have a great time."

Although some may feel that Natchitoches is too small to accomodate so many people, Dawn Vallery, a journalism senior, said, "That's what makes it fun. That's what makes it the festival."

Vallery said the crowd wasn't as big this year as in years past because of the rain.

Not all students and Natchitoches residents welcome the invasion of tourists and festival goers. Some choose to head out of town before they become engulfed by the sudden Natchitoches population boom.

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> ASHLEY COTTON
> THIRD STREET RESIDENT

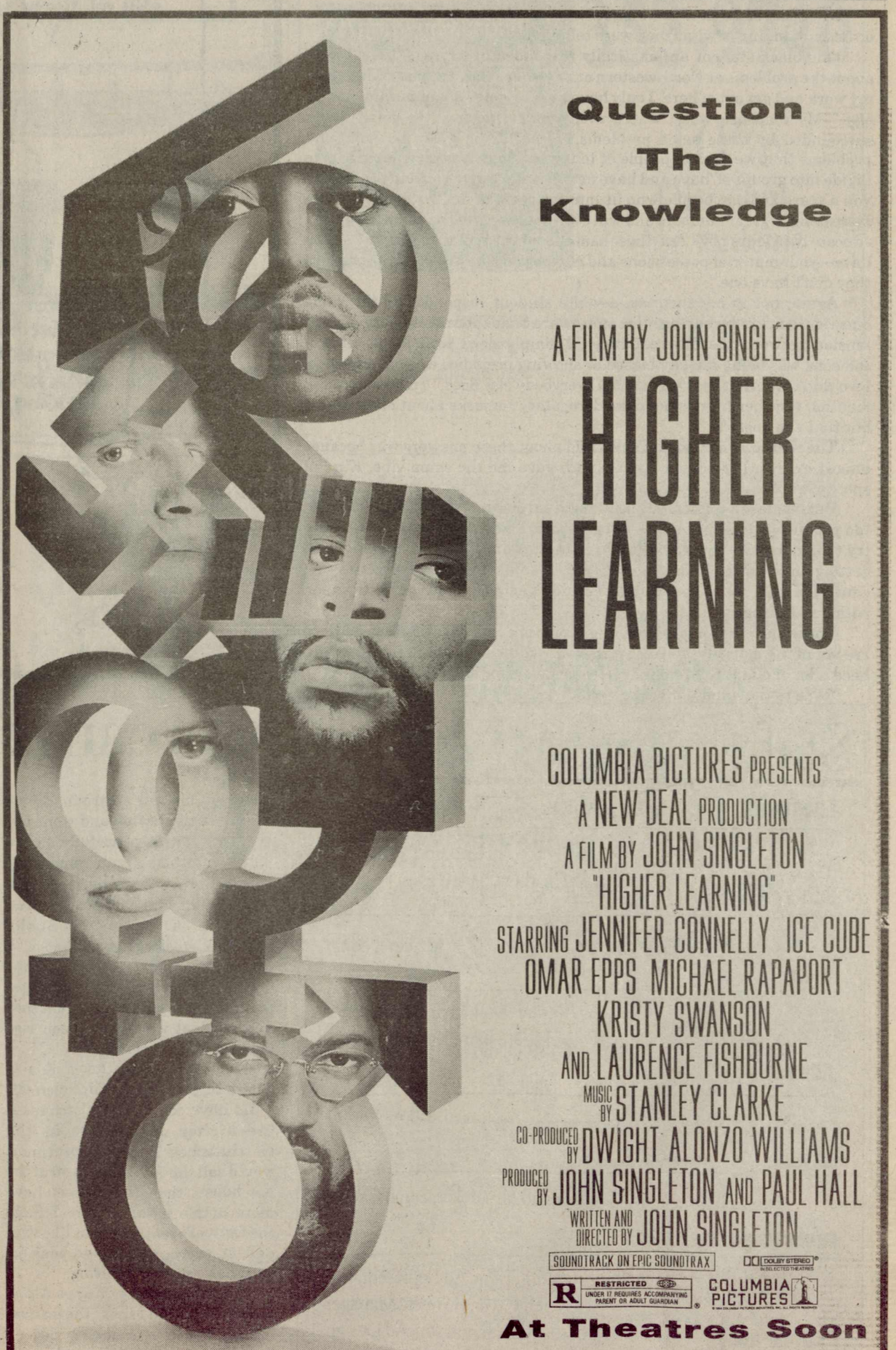
Jeff Guin, a senior journalism major from Natchitoches, and his family head to Alexandria every festival weekend to do some Christmas shopping.

"It is a better time to do Christmas shopping," Guin said. "Everyone from Alexandria is here, so we go there."

Many prefer to remove themselves from the City of Lights, so that their normal lives aren't disturbed. A number of tourists flood the city with cars, litter and a sharp change in the economy -- which disturbs the quiet atmosphere.

"I stayed last year for the festival, and I wasn't that impressed," Nikki Curtis, a sophomore from Hicks, said. "There were too many people, and the inconvenience of not being able to drive on or off campus wasn't worth the hassle."

In the early Sunday morning hours, the last Shipley's box was picked up and again Natchitoches was returned to the quaint, peaceful small town.

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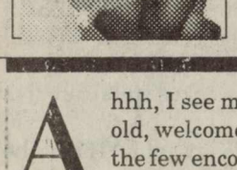
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# Racism must be acknowledged for healing to begin



**Mick Dorsey**

Forum Viewpoint

Ahhh, I see more readers have found me again—some new some old, welcome to all. This week I want to share with you some of the few encounters I've experienced last month while interviewing students for my monthly newsletter.

When conducting interviews with Northwestern students, I posed a question that is similar to other questions that my newsletter would attempt to address: "are you aware of the senseless division between the races here on campus and abroad?"

Not to my surprise, I came across a few students who had no real basis or understanding of what they were telling me.

One black student automatically responded by saying, "I don't care about the problems at Northwestern or anywhere else. I'm just trying to do my work and get out of here. I only have time to worry about me and no one else." My response was, "where ever you go, you're still going to be surrounded by these same problems no matter how far you run. The problems that we face as people of today and tomorrow are forcing us to divide into groups of 'have and have nots.' I hate to give you and people like you a scare, but the people who fit into the category of 'the have nots' are increasing in great numbers and will eventually engulf the earth if we don't educate both sides now. And those same people are going to want what you have—your material possessions and maybe your life just for spite because they don't have one."

Again, not to my surprise, a white student responded to the same question quickly by saying, "I'm not aware that there is any division or tension between the different races; I simply don't look for it. Like if someone was being racially biased or showing prejudice against someone, I wouldn't look at it that way even if everybody else does." This student did mention that her friends do make derogatory remarks about other races, but that she doesn't.

The reason I say I wasn't surprised about these answers was because almost every other person I spoke with gave me the same vibe. Kind of spooky, huh?

But let me tell you something that did surprise me. I asked one student, "do you just go to school to get a degree or to learn about other people and try to understand the different ethnic backgrounds that exist, along with getting your degree?" This person said, "I think college is for getting an education only, not to be sociable.' I couldn't help but to look at this person with great disparity.

These answers come from young people of our generation—who I hope are not of the majority, because if they are, those of us with any sense will need a lot of oil into the wounds in their heads for healing.

"Woe to the inhabitor of the earth."

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## Editors don't investigate

John M. Deslatte
*NSU Student*

About the ARAMARK. If you are going to do an article about a survey, at least investigate the matter completely. The survey revealed that ARA is cheaper. If you would have investigated, you would also have discovered that for .99 with your student ID at McDonalds you can get any large sandwich/burger at any time of the day on any day of the week. This is not a special either. This is a permanent thing. Chuck might try to respond by saying that McDonalds is a chain. Guess what, so is ARA. They not only serve colleges, they also service events such as professional football games. In New Orleans, ARA services all the functions within the Superdome.

This brings me to my next point. At one time, my girlfriend and I asked Chuck why their orange juice is so high. He responded by saying that ARA is the second largest consumer of that particular orange juice so they had to pay more. This does not make sense. The more of a particular product one buys from a company, the more of a discount one receives from that company. Chuck did not know at the time he was digging himself deeper by answering this question because he did not know that I am educated in the facts dealing with wholesale and retail. He did not know that my grandparents own a convenience store.

My grandparents' store is a prime example of my point. They are the biggest consumer among other stores of equal size so they get certain cuts in wholesale pricing that some of the other stores do not get; however, being a small store, they still do not get as much of a price break as bigger stores (Wal-Mart, Super-1, etc.).

As I said, my grandparents' store is a small business and ARA is a chain. Why then, does it cost $1.19 for a 10 oz. orange juice at ARA and .69 for a 10 oz. orange juice at my grandparent's store? It is the same brand juice, and as Chuck said, ARA is the second largest consumer. The tax is the same as well, so this cannot be used as an excuse.

You say ARA is cheaper. I say HA! HA! HA! If they are cheaper, then why did it cost me $28 for a case of 10 oz. orange juices? Why does it cost $.11 per malt ball? If you bought a big box of them it would cost approximately $2 at $.11 each, less than 20 of them would equal the box price. I know there are more than 20 per big box. You might also try to say that the box is quantity just as the point I was trying to prove earlier, but when you multiple the number of students who indulge themselves with this item, you get your quantity. Also, it cost me $50 for a turkey. You say a turkey is not a bulk item, but ARA gets all of a student's money regardless.

Remember ARA gets their money at the beginning of the semester. Whether a student gets your money's worth or you are "shit out of luck." ARA is paid regardless. Not to mention, a student must buy an ARA meal plan for six semesters. There are only few exceptions to this rule: be a commuter, prove that you cannot afford it and some how elsewhere would be cheaper, be a senior, etc.

The key word in the second phrase is prove to ARA. This would be like proving to the warden that you deserve parole. Multiply the number of students who must buy a meal plan by approximately $600 and see how much ARA is taking in. While doing so remember that they are a chain. Six hundred dollars is a round off a full variable is a little more expensive and an Iberville meal plan is a little cheaper.



**Your** View

Letters to the Editor

## Editors racist

Emily Rudan
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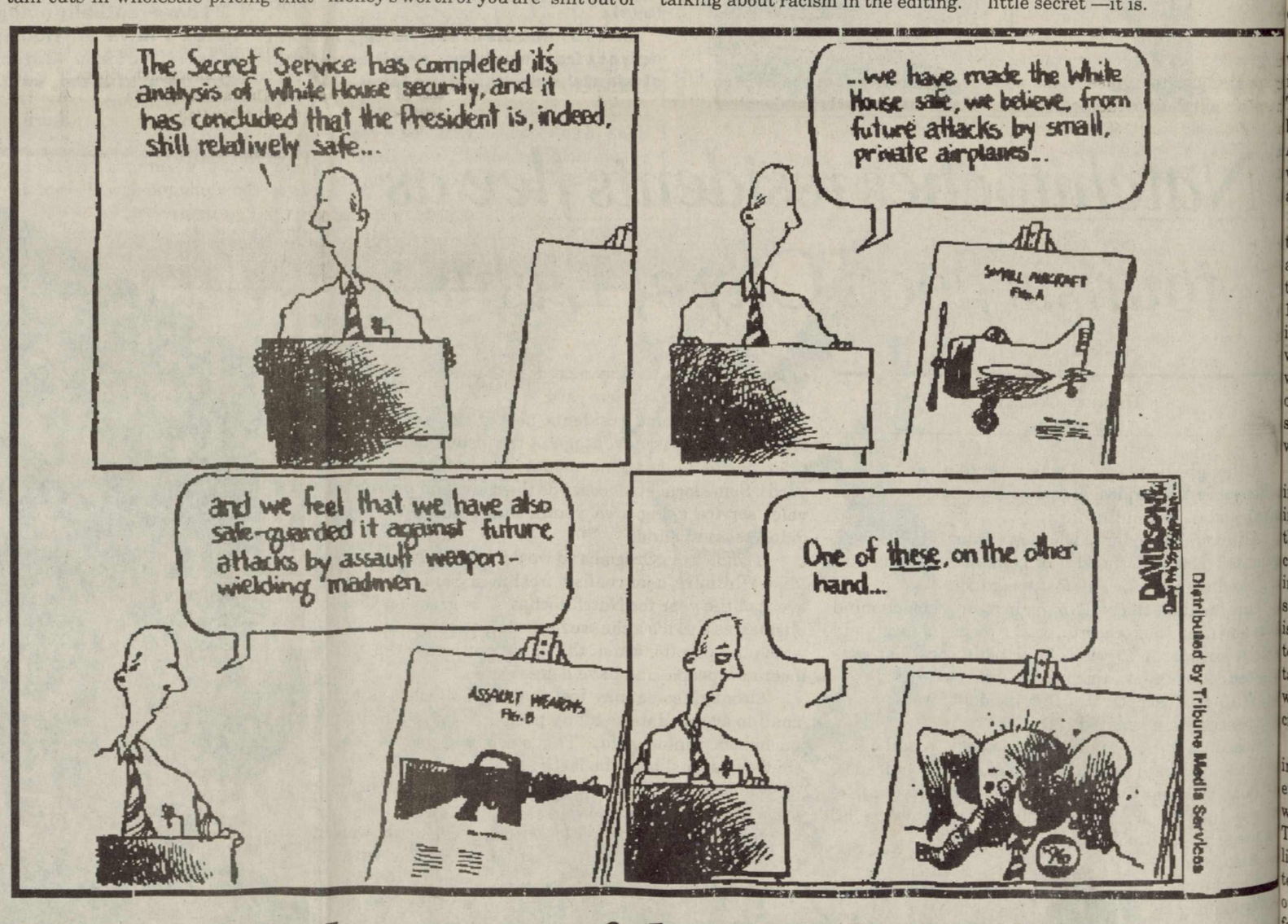
This letter is going out to the editors. I've tried to give them the benefit of the doubt, but every time I pick up the paper, I see something else. At first I thought to myself, no, it couldn't be? I'm sure the editors made an honest mistake.

Unfortunately I was wrong. What am I talking about, right? I'm talking about racism in the editing.

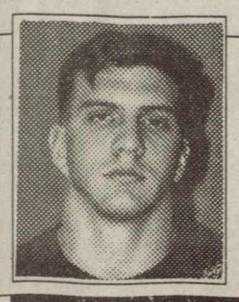
In Mick Dorsey's article, *Slave auctions not to be taken lightly*, the editors changed the word Caucasoid to Caucasian. I'm sure the editors thought it was a legitimate correction. It's obvious that Caucasoid is not in their vocab. Then I read Dorsey's third article Nostalgia for Old South belies racism. The editors replaced "white man" with "hit man." Another thing, why is it that "white" was capitalized and the only time "black" was capitalized was in the title *Black Like Me?* Another honest mistake? I don't think so. I must say they did rightfully apologize in the November 29 paper, conveniently placing the apology on the sixth page, instead of where apologies are supposed to go — page two. It makes one wonder...did they really want the apology to be seen?

It seems odd to me, that that these errors are just "honest mistakes." They are not, they're deliberate and down right fascist.

It's time to come together. It's time to move toward progressiveness, and for those of you who may be confused about the meaning of "to progress," let me break it down for you. It means striving for or favoring reform socially, politically, educationally, and/or religiously. We as individuals can all make a difference, and we can start by achieving equality in the editing of *The Current Sauce*. I know, it seems I'm coming down hard on white people. And you probably think these are simple errors and I'm blowing this out of proportion, right? And you're angry...you're angry because I'm accusing the editors of the *Current Sauce* of being racist. Do I speak not of the truth? Now, you of the white race, can claim this is not an act of racism, but let me let you in on a little secret —it is.




# KAs can take care of themselves, thank you



**Andrew** Martin

The Bottom Line

This year's Christmas Festival came and went but not as peacefully as the others I can remember. The festivities were marred by a shooting in the downtown area which is, according to Bobby DeBlieux, festival coordinator, a "freak occurrence." I think that maybe if there had been a stronger police element on the riverfront that this incident would had been less likely to have occurred.

I have a pretty good idea of where this stronger police element could have come from. Perhaps if the higher authorities in the Natchitoches Police Department would call the SWAT team off of the KA house, then they would have more ample manpower to handle the festival's real problems like vandalism, overcrowding and your occasional random shooting.

I am a member of Kappa Alpha here at NSU and I spent the festival at our house overlooking Second Street. It is one of the best places in Natchitoches to watch the parade due to its elevated position, and we always draw a large crowd on that day. I was hoping that we would not have any problems with the fascist police storm troopers this year as we did last year when they raided our hill searching for alcohol. That "invasion" had proved to be a mistake and the police apologized for it

Fine. No hard feelings, right? Wrong.

This year proved to be almost a carbon copy of last year. When the parade was over we had a crowd of 15 SWAT team members hovering menacingly in front of our main steps. It was really 15 of them, that is not an exaggeration because several of us counted and began to laugh at the fact that the police needed so many armed crack stormtroopers to handle this situation. They said they had a problem with people stepping on the sidewalk with alcoholic beverages. I promise, we were not the only people in Natchitoches who had alcohol on Saturday.

The situation was absolutely ridiculous. We could stand on our very bottom step with a drink, but if you touched the pavement then it was all over. The Hitlerite thugs would swarm upon you and threaten to arrest you if you didn't pour out your drink. I went down to the bottom step just to torment them, much like dangling meat just out of the reach of a half-starved beast. I enjoyed it. Finally our president decided that we should go ahead and get everyone away from the street and maybe the police would get bored with their little game of "Let's arrest the fraternity kids" and go away. It worked.

We started to ignore them and have fun again, off of the street this time. I guess that they got their feelings hurt because we were not terrified of them anymore. Eventually they left, probably to go kick puppies and slap around some little kids.

What I have just described is about an hour's worth of wasted police presence spent on hassling college students. With the new regulations that closed off Williams Avenue this year I'm pretty sure that these guys could have found something better to do.

Overcrowding is always a problem with the festival, and when people start getting shot on the riverfront I feel that the cops could have been up to something more productive.

I wouldn't want to be the person who tells the three women who got shot about how 15 police officers were busy pursuing students with drinks instead of looking for criminals with guns.

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## Final Exam Schedule -- Fall 1994 Semester

**Thursday, December 8, 1994**

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| 8:00-10:30 | ENGL 0910, 0920, 1010, 1020 |
| 12:00-2:30 | 4:00 MWF |
| 3:30-6:00 | MATH 0910, 0920, 1030, 1050, 1060, 1140 |
| 6:30-9:00 | THURSDAY NIGHT CLASSES |

**Friday, December 9, 1994**

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| 8:00-10:30 | 9:00 MWF |
| 12:00-2:30 | 1:00 MWF |
| 3:30-6:00 | 3:00 MWF |

**Saturday, December 10, 1994**

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| 8:00-10:30 | 9:30 TTH |
| 12:00-2:30 | 2:00 TTH |

**Monday, December 12, 1994**

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| 8:00-10:30 | 8:00 MWF |
| 12:00-2:30 | 11:00 MWF |
| 3:30-6:00 | 12:30 TTH |
| 6:30-9:00 | MONDAY NIGHT CLASSES |

**Tuesday, December 13, 1994**

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| 8:00-10:30 | 8:00 TTH |
| 12:00-2:30 | 12:00 MWF |
| 3:30-6:00 | 10:00 MWF |
| 6:30-9:00 | TUESDAY NIGHT CLASSES |

**Wednesday, December 14, 1994**

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| 8:00-10:30 | 3:30 TTH |
| 12:00-2:30 | 2:00 MWF |
| 3:30-6:00 | 11:00 TTH |
| 6:30-9:00 | WEDNESDAY NIGHT CLASSES |

## Fee Payment Schedule for spring 1995

**Monday, January 9**

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| 10:00 AM | B |
| 12:30 PM | C |
| 2:00 PM | D |
| 3:00 PM | E |

**Tuesday, January 10**

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| 8:30 AM | F |
| 10:00 AM | G |
| 12:30 PM | H |
| 2:00 PM | I-J |
| 3:00 PM | K |

**Wednesday, January 11**

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| 8:30 AM | L |
| 10:00 AM | M |
| 12:30 PM | N-O |
| 1:30 PM | P |
| 2:30 PM | Q-R |

**Thursday, January 12**

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|---|---|
| 8:30 AM | S |
| 10:30 AM | T |
| 12:30 PM | U,V,W |
| 2:00 PM | X,Y,Z |

Fee payment ends at 4:30 pm each day. Fee payment will be held in Prather Coliseum. Please make arrangements to enter at assigned times. Students whose fee payment time conflicts with their class schedules are required to attend their scheduled class. These students may pay their fees anytime after their scheduled payment time, but not before their scheduled time.

## Correction

**Two students were inadvertantly left off the list of inductees into Phi Kappa Phi last week. Those not listed were Deborah Rubin of Alexandria and Michael Scherer of Natchitoches**

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# CampusConnection

### Sigma Tau Delta

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### Student Union

The Student Union will be open Monday through Friday until midnight. Any rooms that have not been reserved will be available for students who want to use them for studying.

Academic Affairs Committee

The Academic Affairs Committee will meet in the lobby of Boozeman Hall on Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. to discuss a proposal on a student-run teacher evaluation which will be presented to the faculty senate in January. All interested persons are invited to attend.

### Installment Policy

Students may elect to pay certain fees, room charges, meal charges, etc. in installments as allowed by current Installment Policy. The student electing to pay in installments instead of in full, will be charged a $30 per semester/session non-refundable Installment Charge.

All students electing to pay in installments will be charged the $30 Installment Charge, including University student workers, graduate assistants, full-time and part-time employees, etc.

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(1) Fall and Spring Semesters:

Within seven days of last day to register for credit.

(2) Summer Session:

Within seven days of last day to register for credit.

(3) Interim classes during any semester/session:

Within seven days of first class day.

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The Installment Charge is not refundable.

Students not on an approved Installment Plan and who increase their registration fees, room charges, meal charges, etc., after the registration process and who do not pay the increase in full within two days after the changes are made will be charged the $30 Installment Charge.

The Installment Charge can be waived by the University's Director of Student Financial Aid when the University has caused a delay in the processing of a student's Financial Aid.

## CHURCH: Restoration begins

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church site. When firing the bricks, those on the outside of the pile became harder than those on the inside. The harder bricks were used to form the exterior and the softer brick was used on the inside of the building and to fill the interiors of the load-bearing walls.

According to the survey, the masonry appears to be in good condition, considering its age. However, some bricks will need replacing and this presents a challenge as the bricks and limestone mortar used in the building are no longer made. The new bricks and mortar must be as close in composition as possible to the old masonry to allow an even distribution of weight and bonding.

The second stage of renovations will be replacing the weather proofing on the stained glass windows. The stained-glass windows in the body of the church were made in America, but the twin stained-glass windows in the rear of the church are from Austria.

According to the survey, a protective lexan glazing supported by aluminum frames was attached to the stained-glass windows in the 1970s. In 1985, masonry waterproofing material was sprayed on the windows producing a yellow film which obscures light coming in and out of the windows. The surveyors suggest that the lexan be replaced with a new covering.

The third step of the renovation involves the heating, air conditioning, lighting and sound systems in the church. The original heating and cooling systems were installed during the 1955-56 renovations. The surveyors suggest replacing all existing systems with a DX split-system heat pump with electric resistance auxiliary heat. This system would require a new, larger power circuit.

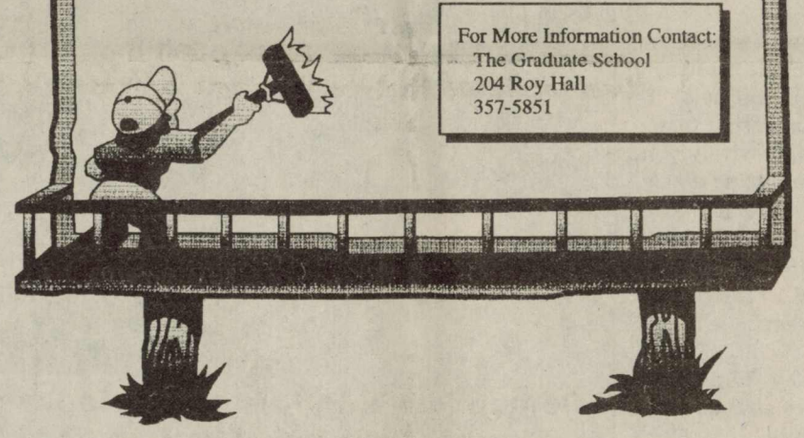
The surveyors suggest replacing all of the current light fixtures except the historic chandeliers, which were imported from France. They also suggest installing a new lighting system with a control center which can dim the lights in various combinations for mood lighting for the various services. This lighting system could also be used to accent lighting on important religious and architectural features.

The surveyors further suggest the church be outfitted with a new sound system which will incorporate wireless microphones and new speakers. This system would also be controlled from a central control board, allowing church members to mix sound elements for different performances and uses. According to DeBlieux, the choir loft in back will bee modified with acoustical treatments. He also noted that these improvements will make collaboration between the choir and organist easier.

The next step of the restoration will be the cleaning and refurbishing of the church's interior. The walls, ceilings and trim will be cleaned and painted. The pews will be refinished and the ceramic tile floor will be replaced with one more in keeping with the architecture and color scheme of the church. Religious artifacts, including the main and side alters, communion rail, chandeliers and statuaries will be cleaned and restored as needed. Many of these artifacts are of historical, as well as spiritual, significance. The main alter, hand-painted stations of the cross, the statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary over the main alter, the chandeliers, the spiral staircase leading to the choir loft, and the hand-carved Baptismal Font below the staircase were all imported from France. The spiral stairs are also unique in that they have no center support.

The last stage of renovations, outdoor landscaping, is optional and will only take place if funds allow, according to DeBlieux. This landscaping may involve the addition of a prayer garden to the property, which will call for screening, fencing, landscaping and exterior lights.

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# Demons place three on Southland Conference first team

David Weaver
*Current Sauce*

Despite losing four of their last five games to finish 5-6 on the season, the Demons placed three players on the All-Southland Conference first team, which was announced over the Thanksgiving holidays.

Running back Clarence Matthews, center John Dippel and linebacker Steve Redeaux were named All-SLC first team players in voting by the coaches of the Southland Conference.

Matthews was also named to the second team as a kick returner, along with offensive tackle Neal Sharkey, defensive tackle Nathan Platt and punter John Louviere.

Matthews, a sophomore from New Orleans, led the Demons with 1,046 yards on 155 carries for a 6.7 yards-per-carry average and nine touchdowns. He also caught 20 passes for 161 yards, and was seventh in the nation in kickoff returns with a 29.5 yard average in 19 attempts.

"I was kind of expecting it (being named to the team) after going over 1,000 yards," Matthews said. "I feel that if I had gotten more work and more carries during the season I could have been even more productive."

Matthews' 1,000-yard season was the first for a Demon running back since John Stephens totaled 1,001 in 1985.

"It feels good to have a 1,000-yard season," Matthews said. "I need to get stronger in the offseason and by lifting weights and running track, I should be able to do that and hopefully be more productive next season."

Dippel, a senior from Sherwood, Ark., fought through an injury-riddled year to make the first team. He was lost the first two games of the season due to an injury sustained in preseason workouts, and his and quarterback Brad Laird's return in the third game of the season brought new life into the Demon offense.

"I had expected to be named at least honorable mention, but making the first team was a total surprise," Dippel said. "I had never made the team before and you usually have to work your way up to the first team.

"It feels good to have been voted by the other coaches around the conference," Dippel said. "That means a lot."

While the graduating senior is happy to have been selected, the disappointing end to the season put a damper on the honor.

"I would gladly have traded an all-conference selection for a championship ring," he said.

Redeaux, a senior from Eunice, La., tallied 101 tackles, one sack, one interception, and two fumble recoveries one of which he returned for a touchdown against Nicholls State. His selection this season comes after being named an honorable mention on las season's All-SLC squad.

"I thought I was definitely one of th best linebackers in the conference," Redeau said. "I just had to go out and prove myself

The 6-0, 244-lb. linebacker for the De mons felt that his strongest asset to th defense was his tackling ability.

"I really concentrated on tackling Redeaux said. "My main thing was not t miss tackles."

Redeaux is scheduled to work out fo NFL scouts this week in hopes of moving t the next level next season, but in the even that he does not make it into the NFL h plans on going to work for the U.S. Posta Service as a postal inspector.

# Demons win four straight in strong opening stretch

Mike Whitmire
*Current Sauce*

Since dropping its season opener, Northwestern's men's basketball team has come up with four straight wins behind the strong play of Tarius Brown.

Brown is the Demons' leading scorer and rebounder, and has put up three consecutive double-double games.

The senior scored 26 points and grabbed 13 rebounds as Northwestern rallied from an eight-point halftime deficit to knock off Troy State in Prather Coliseum 100-82 Tuesday.

Brown pumped in 25 points and grabbed 10 rebounds Saturday to lead the Demons past Southeastern Louisiana 77-73 on the road.

The Demons win over Southeastern broke a 14-game road losing streak.

Charles Duncan poured in 27 points Monday to lead Northwestern past Henderson State 89-76.

Brown scored 16 point and grabbed 10 rebounds in Monday's game, J.R. Whitaker added 11 points and 15 boards, Ryan Bundy had 11 points and 10 assists and Kenny McMillon scored 12 points and had six asists.

Northwestern led 38-27 with 1:35 left in the first half Saturday after Duncan's three-point basket, but the Lions responded with eight points in the last 1:15 to pull within 40-35 at intermission.

McMillon sat and watched most of the first half from the bench after picking up his third foul less than two minutes into the game.

In the first half, Northwestern was whistled for 18 fouls, and Southeastern found itself in the bonus five minutes into the game.

The Demons were able to build the lead back into double digits in the second half, but the Lions continued to come back.

Ryan Bundy converted a crucial three-point play with 1:00 remaining in the contest and Northwestern held on to a 68-64 advantage.

With 25 seconds left, Sam Bowie canned a three-pointer to bring Southeastern within 73-70, but Keith Tisdell sank two free throws and McMillon scored on a breakaway layup to clinch the victory.

Trailer added 16 points, pulled down 10 rebounds and had three steals for the Demons. Bowie paced the Lions with 22 points.

In Tuesday's win over Troy State, Brown got help from Johnson and Duncan. Duncan had 16 points, and Johnson buried three three-pointers in a 20-5 spurt that brought Northwestern from four points down to an 86-75 lead with 4:19 remaining in the contest.

The Demons outscored the Trojans 63-37 in the second half.

"Our team did some things tonight. They proved they could play down the stretch," said Northwestern coach J.D. Barnett. "I think we did a good job of contesting their perimeter shots, and most impressively, we dominated the glass. We were getting to the ball with reckless abandon. Our team had a very good effort, the kind of effort this team has to have night in, and night out."

Bundy had 11 points and 10 assists for Northwestern, and J.R. Whitaker added nine points and 10 rebounds.

Troy State was led by Pee Wee Thornton's 10 points and five assists, and Monlito Lofton scored 17 points.

# Looking for help



Demon forward Chris Trailer looks to pass the ball against Troy State Tuesday in Prather Coliseum. The Demons defeated the Trojans, 100-82, to move to 3-1.

# Worthy candidates overlooked in Heisman Trophy voting

Saturday will be a big day and will provide an early Christmas present for a college football player.

Either Colorado running back Rashaan Salaam, Penn State running back Ki-Jana Carter or Alcorn State quarterback Steve McNair will take home the 1994 Heisman Trophy as the best college football player in the land.

But there are several other players out there who deserve as much consideration as these, simply because of what the Heisman represents.

I don't think the Heisman Trophy was ever meant to award some vain athlete because he was able to run faster or was stronger than or could throw farther than his opposition. I think the Heisman was meant to go to that player in the college ranks that was perhaps the most important player to his team, not just in the statistics.

In no way am I saying that Salaam, Carter or McNair don't have these qualities. But I think players like Miami defensive tackle Warren Sapp, Alabama quarterback Jay Barker, and Nebraska offensive lineman Zach Wiegart should all get a look and some recognition, also.

Sapp is said by some to be the best defensive lineman to ever play at Miami, a school that produced the late Jerome Brown and Dallas Cowboys starter Russell Maryland, not to mention Seattle Seahawks All-Pro Cortez Kennedy. Sapp has led the Hurricanes into the national title picture with a kamikaze style of play on defense that has Miami giving up only an average of eight points a game this season.

Barker, the Crimson Tide senior, had only lost one game in three years as the starting quarterback at Alabama before losing the SEC Championship to Florida this past Saturday. Barker will lead his team into the Citrus Bowl in Orlando on Jan. 2 with a career record of 32-2-1 as 'Bama's starting signal caller.

Wiegart and his offensive line mates at top-ranked Nebraska have the Cornhuskers poised to win their first national championship for Coach Tom Osborne. When pre

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season Heisman favorite Tommie Frazier went down earlier this season with a blood clot, everyone one said Nebraska was finished. But Wiegart's superb leadership has lead to the Cornhuskers never missing stride in marching to an undefeated record without the talent of Frazier at quarterback.

**DavidWeaver**



But this trio of players hadseveral things working against them. Sapp and Wiegart play down in the trenches, where the only stat that is kept are holding penalties, quarterback sacks, and maybe a fumble recovery or two. Neither can boast the 2,000 yards of a Rashaan Salaam or the 5,000-plus passing yards of an "Air McNair."

Barker also doesn't boast of tremendous statistics. The guy doesn't throw four touchdowns a game or throw for 300 yards a game. His arm is considered terribly weak by most NFL scouts who give him no chance of being drafted next season.

All Jay Barker does is win football games, taking Alabama to a near second national championship in his career this season. Only a one point loss to Florida ke him from it. He will likely finish his colle career with a record of 33-2-1—a mark th NFL greats Joe Montana, Troy Aikman John Elway couldn't accomplish in colleg

But Barker is not even mentioned passing by Heisman voters, and only Sa gets a few nods from them. Wiegart drew no attention, either.

When I see Salaam's, Carter's a McNair's numbers on paper, my eyes b out. When I see Sapp's, Wiegart' a Barker's, I don't see much.

But if the Heisman were truly meant go to the best college performer in the n tion, stats wouldn't mean a whole lot. May the NCAA should create a separate awar like Offensive Player of the Year, and lea the Heisman to be the Heisman—that the best college *player* in the nation, n necessarily the best athlete.

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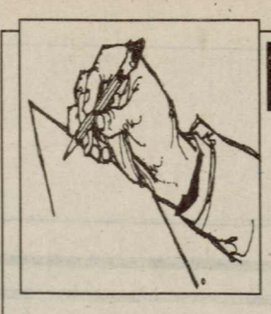
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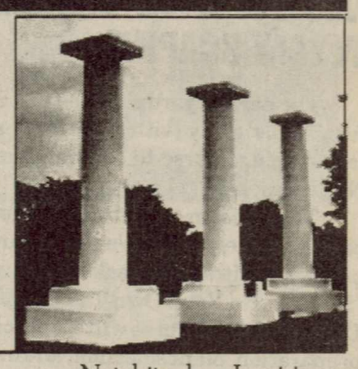
NSU professor to run in marathon for leukemia patient



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University should make investment in new phone system


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## CAMPUS

**TEACHER RETENTION FOCUS OF NSU STUDY:** Three Northwestern faculty members recently completed a survey of 602 teachers in nine states. The results of the study were presented to the Midsouth Education Research Association. **Page 2**

**NURSING SCHOLARSHIP ESTABLISHED TO HONOR 'MISS CLOTHILDE':** Rains worked as a cashier for ARA FooodService for over 20 years. She died last year. **Page 2**

**ADVANCE PROGRAM RECEIVES GRANT:** The Advance Program for Young Scholars at Northwestern has received a grant from the RosaMary Foundation of New Orleans. The grant will be used to provide scholarships for students in the New Orleans area.

## CITY

**NATCHITOCHES JAIL CONSTRUCTION TO BEGIN IN MARCH:** The Nachitoches jail was originally to be built on an old city landfill near the Natchitoches Regional Airport, but the jail site was moved to another site at the air industrial park. According to Natchitoches Parish Sheriff Boyd Durr the project is being delayed because of sewer and drainage problems.

**SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT TO RETIRE:** Mike Whitford plans to retire when his contract ends on June 30. Whiteford served as Natchitoches Parish superintendent since 1982. The school board has begun to search for a new superintendent.

## STATE

**STATE LEGISLATURE LOOKS FOR MORE TAXES:** With a deficit of several hundred million, the state legislature is hoping to vote to raise $1.5 billion in taxes this year.

## NATION

**A SMOKE, BUT NO FIRE?:** Men who smoke are 50 percent more likely to suffer from impotence than non-smokers, according to a new study from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

The study was based on a survey of U.S. Army veterans between the ages of 31 and 49.

Of the 4,462 males surveyed, 1,162 said they never smoked, 1,292 said they were former smokers, and 2,008 said they smoked regularly.

Of the non-smokers, 2.2 percent said they were impotent while 3.7 percent of the current smokers said they suffered from impotence as well.

While former smokers reported the least cases of impotence (2 percent), researchers say that the gap between the former smokers and non-smokers is statistically insignificant.

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# Calling cards, computer services clog phone lines

## Northwestern debates whether to install new telephone system

JEREMY BROUSSARD
*Current Sauce*

In the fall, the growth of Northwestern has not only contributed to crammed dormitories, but crammed phone lines of students trying to call onto or off the campus.

There are new phone systems in the works, but presently problems with finding open lines during busy hours or using a calling card persist.

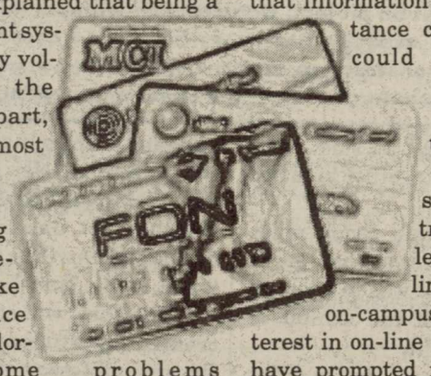
Stanley Hippler, the director of the computer center and manager of Northwestern's phone systems, says the University is starting its second year with Sprint, the present long distance carrier. Sprint provides AOS, or alternative operator services.

"What that really means to the on-campus population here at Northwestern is that when you dial 'O' you will get a Sprint operator, not the local South Central Bell operator," Hippler said.

It also means that when students make 'O+', or operator assisted phone calls Sprint becomes the carrier for the call, not South Central Bell.

"The reason for this is that Sprint has worked out a deal with, in our case, the state of Louisiana so they can provide the operator service to us and they give us back a percentage of the long distance call," Hippler said. "I think we get about 7 percent of the total percentage of the call."

Hippler explained that being a part of the Sprint system is probably voluntary on the University's part, but he thinks most schools in the state have it.




Calling cards are required to make long distance calls from the dormitories. Some problems have occurred but mostly with AT&T cards.

"The AT&T card causes the most problems," Hippler said. "AT&T saw long distance competition coming a couple of years ago and what they have done is create what they call a proprietary card. They will not give that information to other long distance carriers and that could cause problems when you are on a Sprint or MCI system."

Northwestern's size has also contributed to its problems with the phone lines. The increase in on-campus residents and interest in on-line computer services have prompted increases in calls from off and on campus. This ties up the phone lines and gives students trying to get off campus and others trying to call from off to on campus a busy signal.

"This is only my opinion, but I believe the new apartment complex has contributed to the problems," Hippler said. "Since it's an off-campus phone service there are more students calling to and from the apartments and ties up phone lines."

Hope for better phone access is here. Hippler is presently working on updating the Northwestern phone system, but decisions about the system are held up in Baton Rouge.

"I'm sitting here deciding if we should try to update this old phone system, which by old I mean five years, or should we try to get a whole new system," Hippler said. "The state

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## Back to the Books



**After fighting the long lines in Prather Coliseum for paying fees, Anika Jackson, a sophomore psychology major from Natchitoches, searches for her required books in the campus bookstore**

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# Division of Education receives $30,000 grant

Northwestern received a grant of $30,000 from the Bell South Foundation to set up a leadership development program in Northwestern's Division of Education.

Under the grant, Northwestern will conduct several activities related to leadership and policy development.

Northwestern will work with area superintendents of schools to select teams of five education professionals and community leaders from seven central and north Louisiana parishes to attend a series of monthly seminars related to changing educational systems.

"This program represents a forward looking approach to strategic decision making and is a departure from traditional training in educational administration," said Dr. Sue Weaver, director of the Division of Education.

Its aim is to foster collaboration of university-school-community partners in preparing leaders in teams across several levels of responsibility, for the purpose of reforming and restructuring education," she said.

According to Weaver, the program will seek to identify high achieving persons to assume responsibility for improving education. Other objectives include increasing access to strategic leadership training, providing those leaders with knowledge, skills and technical expertise needed to develop and implement strategic plans relative to school improvement.

An emphasis will be placed on increasing the number and skills of minorities in leadership and program development activities in schools and districts, university graduate programs and communities.

The program will also seek to promote a communications network among these leaders and build community support for education.

"This grant represents the future for us," Weaver said. "It's a great opportunity to help bridge the gap between higher education and the elementary and secondary schools."

According to South Central Bell spokesperson Larry Nugent, the Foundation grant will fund a part-time director and meetings of the first year's class.

The grant to Northwestern is the 20th grant awarded by the Foundation to an education-related organization in Louisiana. The combined grants total $2.1 million.

South Central Bell's parent company, BellSouth Corp. is an international communications services company. Its subsidiaries and affiliates offer local telephone services in nine Southeastern states; mobile communications services, including cellular, nationwide paging and mobile data; and advertising, publishing and information services.

# NSU students help NASA make car of the future

## Joint Venture program proves beneficial to NSU students

Designers hope the next generation of automobiles can seat six comfortably, accelerate smoothly and have all the options drivers expect. They also want that car to get 80 miles per gallon.

Students at Northwestern may soon help such a car become reality. The University will be helping to design the car of the future through the U.S. Council for Automotive Research. The council was set up to coordinate the efforts of the three major automakers (General Motors, Ford and Chrysler) along with the U.S. Government.

Northwestern became involved with the project through the University's Joint Venture Program with NASA. The role Northwestern will play in the project was covered in a recent visit by John Bozek of NASA's Lewis Research Center in Cleveland.

Over the past year, students have been working with the Lewis Research Center to develop data for use on a lunar rover known as CLIR. The CLIR project has been put on hold by NASA, but Bozek was impressed with the work done by students.

"The students did an excellent job. They went far beyond what I expected," Bozek said. "I didn't expect that kind of thoroughness. They went through an understanding of what the problems were and came up with their own methods of solving them. The students went past one specific problems and tried to anticipate other problems and how to solve those problems."



**Temple**

Faculty members Dr. Lissa Pollacia and Dr. Frank Serio headed up research on the CLIR project and will also work on the USCAR project.

Northwestern was one of the first six universities in the country to enter into the Joint Venture Program with NASA. Since the beginning of the program, Northwestern has seen its role increase.

"The contributions our students have made and will make in the future are very significant," said Dr. Austin Temple, director of the Division of Mathematics and Sciences. "The students know they are working on projects that will yield results in the forseeable future. Often research is done and the results aren't available in our lifetime. These are relevant projects in which our students play a role."

Temple said Northwestern will send students to the Lewis Research Center this spring to make presentations to the scientists on their role in the project.

Students in math and computer science worked together to develop a program called CLIR-SIM. The program was a simulator that could give scientists an idea how the lunar rover would operate under various conditions.

"They were able to take a complex problem and make it easy to use," Bozek said. "They worked together well and brought in students from other areas to make the output easier to use."

Bozek said NASA gets positive benefits from the JOVE Projects.

"The scientists at NASA don't know all the answers," he said. "It's also beneficial to work with the next generation of scientists. When I've spoken with the students here, I've seen their enthusiasm. They know what they've done and what they'll do on the next project will have a direct application to them."

Bozek said the USCAR project is something that anyone can relate to.

"Almost everyone has driven a car and knows if the car is comfortable or if it's powerful enough and has all the necessary features," he said.

Northwestern's role will be to find a method for powering the car in the most economical way. The students will have to find the power level required to perform certain functions. For more information contact the Northwestern Division of Mathematics and Science at (318) 357-5131.

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> **Dr. Austin Temple, director of the Division of Mathematics and Sciences**

## NSU TO OFFER COURSE IN LANDSCAPING

The perfect yard could be just a few weeks away with help from a landscaping course to be offered at Northwestern.

The division of continuing education can help you get a head start on spring with a six-week course in "How To Be Your Own Landscape Designer." The course will cover soil preparation, plant selection, and design.

The course is being taught by Cathy Hills, a graduate of Mississippi State University in ornamental horticulture. Hills was a horticulturist at Hodges Gardens for 14 years and now owns Hills Landscape Designs which is in its fourth year of business.

The course is $50 per person and will meet two hours per week for six weeks. Supplies needed for the course are notebooks, sketch pads, pencils, erasers, circle template and a architect's ruler with 1/4" and 1/8" measurements.

Classes will begin on Jan. 24 at 6 p.m. The course dates are Jan. 24, 31 and Feb. 7, 14, 21 and 28. For more information or to register the course, contact the Division of Continuing Education at 357-4570 or 1-800-256-2822.

## PROFESSOR TO EXHIBIT ART IN SHREVEPORT

Rivers Murphy, professor of art, was able to expand his vision to create a work which will be included in Artport Seven, an art exhibition which opens Thursday at the Shreveport Regional Airport.

The theme of the exhibit is "Out of This World." Murphy's work, "Ahead of Schedule" will be on display at the airport for the next year.

Artport Seven is a juried exhibit. Arthur Rogers, owner of Arthur Roger Gallery in New Orleans, chose works for the exhibit.

The exhibit is the official kickoff event for the Meadows Museum of Art Series, "Space: A Collection of Stellar Events," featuring the art of Robert McCall.

"Ahead of Schedule" is a piece of welded steel sculpture that is three pieces in one, according to Murphy.

"The piece is an abstract metaphor for friendship," he said. "The three pieces come together to make one unit."

Murphy said that people must come together to accomplish great feats. One feat that was in keeping with the theme of the exhibit is manned space flight.

"It occurred to me that in order for the space program to succeed, a group of people have to come together," Murphy said. "There's no doubt that the astronauts and other people become very close from working together."

It's ironic, Murphy said, that his sculpture is a metaphor for friendship. Without the help of some of his friends, he may not have been able to complete his sculpture.

"Two friends were able to help me out at critical times to create the sculpture and put it together and transport it," he said.

Forty professional and emerging professional artists from around the Ark-La-Tex will have works on display at Artport Seven.

## ART GALLERY TO SHOW NEW MEXICO ART

The Mrs. H.D. Dear Sr. and Alice E. Dear Department of Creative and Performing Arts will sponsor its annual New Mexico Show Jan. 15 through Feb. 10 in the Orville Hanchey Art Gallery. A reception for the artists will be held Sunday at 2 p.m. in the Hanchey Gallery.

The show will consist of works created by students of Dr. Bill Bryant, professor of art, during a trip to New Mexico last June. The students visited Santa Fe, Ghost Ranch and Las Vegas during an annual visit led by Bryant.

According to Bryant, the show will consist of watercolors and some mixed media. Most of the pieces will depict New Mexico landscapes.

Admission to the exhibit is free and open to the public. The gallery is open on weekdays from 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.

## NEW SCHOLARSHIP IN NURSING ESTABLISHED

A scholarship has been set up to honor one of the university's most beloved figures-Clothilde Wagley Rains.

The Clothilde Wagley Rains Nursing Scholarship was recently established to assist nursing majors.

Rains worked as a cashier for ARA Food Service for more than 20 years and served as a second mother to two generations of students. She died last year.

"She was a great and respected lady," said co-worker Margie Huddleston. "She made many friends and was loved by many people. People and students have gone and left to get married and move on in life, but they always remembered her and returned to see her."

Rains worked for South Central Bell for 14 years and for area department stores before starting work at Northwestern.

She was honored by the university with an Nth Degree which is presented by President Robert Alost in recognition of unselfish devotion to duty and willingness to make an extra effort in meritorious service to mankind.

## NSU PROFESSORS CONDUCT STUDY ON TEACHER RETENTION

Burnout and low pay are not the main factors causing teachers to leave the profession.

A more important factor in retaining teachers is a good school atmosphere, according to a study by three education faculty members at Northwestern.

Dr. Leslie Marlow, Dr. Maria Betancourt-Smith and Dr. Duane Inman recently completed a survey of 602 teachers in nine states, Colorado, New Mexico, Texas, Georgia, Mississippi, Alabama, Tennessee, North Carolina and Arizona. The results of this survey matched earlier surveys of teachers in Louisiana and Texas.

"Teachers in this state are no more or less satisfied than teachers in other states," Inman said.

The results of the study were presented at a meeting of the Mid-South Education Research Association and will be published in the national journal.

"Demographics, environment, background and consideration of leaving have been identified as areas which are associated with a likelihood of leaving the profession," Marlow said.

While gender, years of teaching, age marital status and socioeconomic status may contribute to dissatisfaction and stress, factors related to the existing atmosphere of the current school environment receive the most recognition when teachers address reasons for leaving the profession."

According to Inman, those environmental factors include working with other teachers who have the same ideas about teaching, a supportive principal, working with teachers of a similar background, and being part of an intellectually stimulating environment.

Those findings could be disturbing to administrators looking to retain minority teachers, Marlow said.

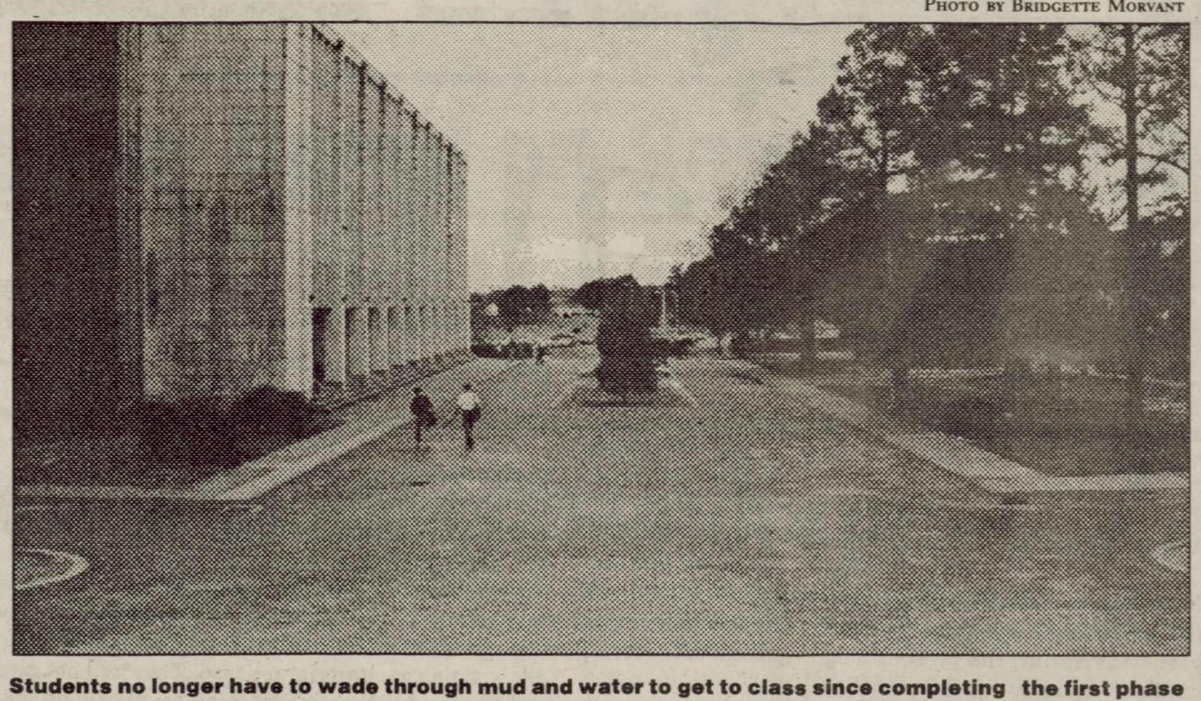
"Because of those factors, minority teachers are less likely to be happy and are more likely to leave the profession," Marlow said.

The results can also be used positively by principals and personnel directors, the researchers said.

"Principals need to encourage teachers to be creative and to be willing to try new ideas. They also need to let teachers know when they are doing something good." Betancourt-Smith said.

Those who hire teachers need to spend more time examining a teacher's beliefs about the profession before hiring them."

PHOTO BY BRIDGETTE MORVANT



**Students no longer have to wade through mud and water to get to class since completing the first phase of the beautification project. Construction workers laid down hundreds of bricks in front of Keyser and Williamson Hall over the Christmas holidays. According to W.K. Norman, coordinator of facilities at Northwestern, construction workers will start the second phase of the beautification project in January. A road will be constructed from the commuter parking lot in front of Kyser and the Student Union.**


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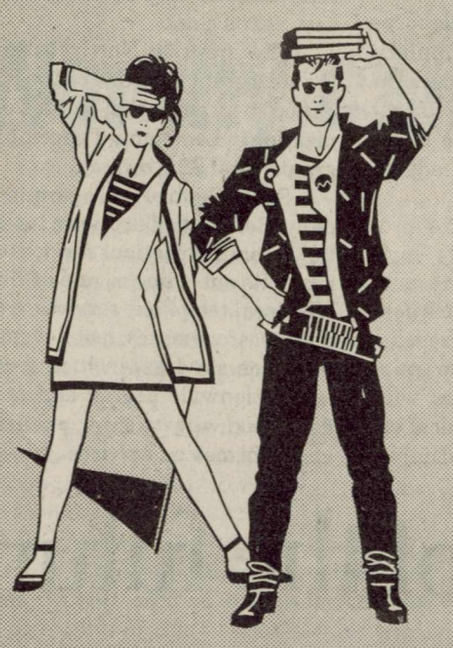
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# Crutches make campus life challenging for student

JEREMY BROUSSARD
*Current Sauce*

Every day many students get take-out orders in the cafeteria and dash back to their dorms in the rain, never realizing that they take their abilities for granted.

Eric Williams is a senior business major and has lived the past 10 years of his life on crutches.

Williams was born with one leg shorter than the other and the medical equipment used to correct his problem was too painful for him as a child.

Now, Williams adjusts with the help of his crutches, but he faces daily obstacles on campus.

"When it rains is probably the worst situation because the floors get slippery and with crutches, you kind of have to watch where you walk," Williams said.

His worst experience was falling in the rain. Now he often faces that problem in the Student Union, where heavy foot-traffic tracks in water from outside during storms.

"You go get something to eat and you're carrying it back but it's raining," Williams said. "You have to walk extra slow and watch where you walk because the floors are real slippery."

Getting out of the Union is only half of the battle for Williams. Since drinks can't be carried safely and the food carton won't fit in his bag, Williams has to hold them while walking to his dorm in the rain.

"Because of the crutches I kind of lean over and if I'm not careful the carton will open and water will get in my food," Williams said.

"This summer I would carry bottles of Snapple in a bag," Williams said. "Because of the rain the bag would get wet and break and the bottles would shatter on the ground. That happened to me several times."

Despite complaints in the *Current Sauce* from students saying cars on campus drive too fast, crossing streets isn't difficult for Williams.

"They usually stop for me and I haven't had any problems with it."

What Williams does have a problem with is the small number of handicap parking spaces available on campus.

Boozman Hall has only one designated parking area and Kyser's lot, even the handicap spaces, are often full.

Williams has a mobile handicap sign instead of a handicap license plate. The sign is convenient but some campus police officers don't recognize it.

> "Because I'm on crutches I try not to play on people's sympathy. My mother taught me not to do that."
>
> **Eric Williams,senior**

"One day I parked at the Union in a handicap parking space and I put the sign on my front dashboard," Williams said.

"The cop put a ticket directly on top of the sign.

"I've gotten tickets when I forgot to put the sign in my window. I know I was in the wrong for that one," he said. "But he [the officer] didn't even take the time to look at the sign on my dashboard."

Not all of Williams' experiences with his crutches have been drawbacks. A vocational rehabilitation scholarship pays for all of his school expenses and people generally give him extra attention.

"Because I'm on crutches I try not to play on people's sympathy," Williams said. "My mother taught me not to do that, but you do get special privileges.

"When I went to Astroworld this summer, I got to ride everything twice," Williams explained. "Since I was on crutches they let me enter every ride through the exit ramp. Lots of people were mad but it's what they told me to do."

Williams is vice president of the Student Activities Board and a member of Blue Key honor society.

He said that although getting involved with Northwestern activities has been an enjoyable experience, he's ready to graduate and later attend graduate school.

# Running for a life

## Professor to run marathon for benefit of young leukemia victim

BRENDA BRYANT
*Current Sauce*

Dr. Charles Viers runs daily for his health and is now training to run for someone else's.

Viers, a professor of mathematics, has been an avid runner for over 20 years and has competed in 67 marathons, including the Houston, San Antonio, Austin, Mardi Gras and Jackson, Miss. which he competed in and placed first in his age group (except in Houston) last year. He has also competed in the Boston Marathon five times.

Viers' next goal is to run in the London Marathon in April as a member of Team In Training, which is a program to assist the Leukemia Society of America. He will run in honor of a local leukemia patient, Nicole Campbell.

In order to participate in the marathon, Viers must not only train his body, but also obtain a minimum of $2,800 in donations.

The donations will go to the patient aid program, which provides assistance to Louisiana patients like Campbell. Over 1,500 people are currently registered with the program.

Campbell, diagnosed at the age of six, was treated for two years and eight months and has been in remission for the last three years. She currently lives about a mile from Viers, which is one of the reasons whyViers chose her.

Viers tries to keep track of Campbell's progress and status. "Nicole is doing really well," Viers said. "Aside from going to check-ups twice a year, she and her family have a certain diet to follow."

Viers was attracted to the program because of the opportunity to give something through his running.

"I enjoy helping collect money for a good cause and knowing who that money will benefit.

"I've met and talked with Nicole on several occasions," he said. "I gave her a tee-shirt to recognize that I'm running for her in the London Marathon."

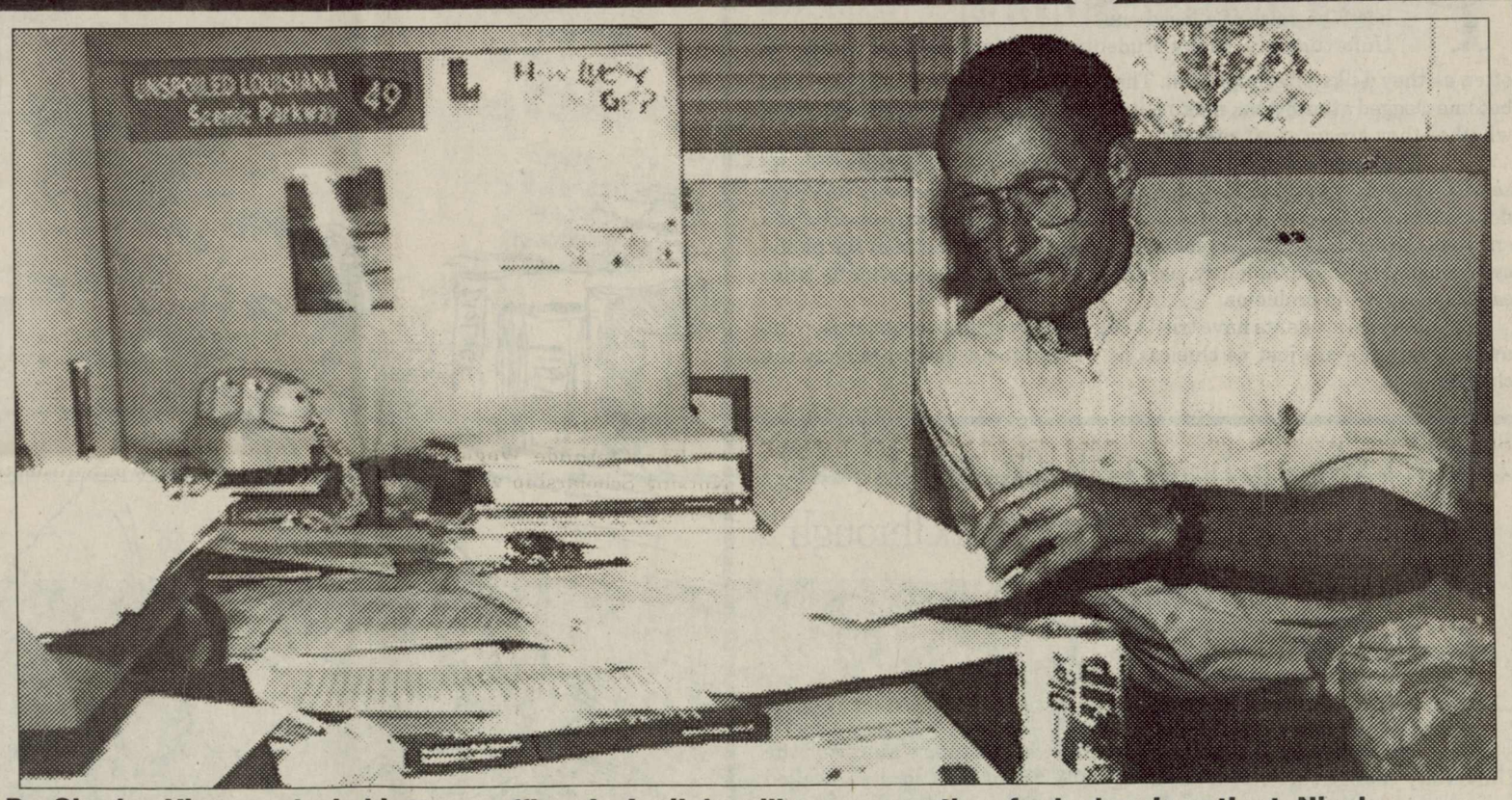
In order to train for the race, Viers will spend many hours running. "In preparing for a marathon, I will run approximately 10 miles a day during the week and do a couple of 16 milers on the weekend," Viers said.

Viers said it is important to be very well prepared for every race he enters. "Each marathon is a challenge," he said. "You have to approach your distance goals slowly. You have to adapt your body to the distance of a marathon. It takes time to build up your endurance."

Viers said he was honored to run on behalf of Campbell and others, and looks forward to the race for several reasons.

"It's for a good cause, I'll get plenty of exercise and be able to see London all in one package," he said.

# I'd rather be running




**Dr. Charles Viers works in his Kyser office. In April, hewill run a marathon for leukemia patient, Nicole Campbell**

PHOTO BY NIKOLE NEUNER

## HOLIDAY HISTORY

## Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

### Holiday celebrates slain civil rights leader's life

Yesterday citizens all over the country celebrated the birthday (actually Jan. 15, 1929) of one of the nation's most prominent civil rights leaders. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday was declared a federal holiday in 1983 and is recognized as a legal holiday in almost every state.

King was born in Atlanta, Ga. He was the second child of the Rev. Michael "Martin" and Alberta Williams King. In 1948, King earned a degree in sociology from Morehouse College and in 1951 earned a degree from Crozer Theological Seminary. King then studied at Boston University where he met and married his wife, Coretta Scott King. He obtained his doctorate in philosophy there in 1955.

King became pastor of Dexter Avenue Baptist Church in Montgomery, Ala. Less than a year later, Rosa Parks defied the Montgomery ordinance of segregated bus seating. King then led the organization of the Montgomery bus boycott.

King, who studied India's Mahatma Gandhi's teachings of nonviolent civil disobedience, traveled, delivered speeches and wrote his first book, *Stride Toward Freedom* in the aftermath of the bus boycott. In 1960, King became president of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference.

In the following years, King's major campaigns were in Albany, Ga.; Birmingham, Ala.; and Danville, Va. King organized the Aug. 28, 1963 March on Washington where he delivered his famous *I Have a Dream* speech. In 1964, King became the first black American honored as *Time* magazine's Man of the Year and became the youngest winner of the Nobel Peace Prize.

After supporting desegregation efforts in Saint Augustine, Fla., and leading the 1965 voter-registration rights march from Selma to Montgomery, King turned his attention from social to economic reform. He called for "reconstruction of the entire society, a revolution of values." King also spoke out against the Vietnam Conflict in addition to civil and voting rights legislation and a poverty budget.

While planning a multiracial poor people's march on Washington, King went to Memphis, Tenn., to assist striking sanitation workers. There on April 4, 1968, James Earl Ray shot and killed King.

# 'Prof' continues tradition in campus dining

## Student makes money working at LeRendezvous

SUSAN KLIEBERT
*Current Sauce*

Campus dining staff like Ms. Margie or the late Ms. Clothilde, are among the most memorable facets of college life for some students.

But, often left out of these memories are the other nameless faces who grill our burgers and fry our french fries at Le Rendezvous. One of these nameless faces is Donald DeHarde.

DeHarde began working at Le Rendezvous in a typical way. "I heard from a friend that Le Rendezvous was hiring and went and got an application," DeHarde said.

"Prof," as he's known to his friends, has worked at Le Rendezvous since the beginning of October.

"I work about three days a week — usually Saturday, Sunday and Wednesday," DeHarde said. "Everybody had certain days that they work. The only people who work everyday are the ones who work every afternoon during the lunch rush."

DeHarde's job is comprised of working the grill, frying chicken and fries, and taking orders. Also, every once in a while he gets to make the pizzas.

"The pizzas are the easiest thing to do," DeHarde said. "Usually certain people do the pizza. But, basically you just go where you're needed."

Le Rendezvous' staff is made up of about 15 people, according to DeHarde. Most of the workers are Northwestern students, with the exception of the afternoon workers and one Natchitoches Central High School student.

"They're fun to work with," DeHarde said. "There's certain people who make the time pass faster. If I work with people I don't like the day goes by slower and working can be miserable. I also like the fact that my bosses are young, and they make the atmosphere relaxed."

All in all, DeHarde said he enjoys his job. He's a biology/premed junior from Violet (near New Orleans), so he doesn't go home often because of the long ride. When he's not working, he's usually studying or spending time with his friends.

Balancing his work and study time is easy because he doesn't work that often.

"I only work at night on the days that I do work, so I can study either during the days that I don't work [sic]," DeHarde said. "I'd like to work more so I can make more money. As long as the work doesn't keep me from studying."

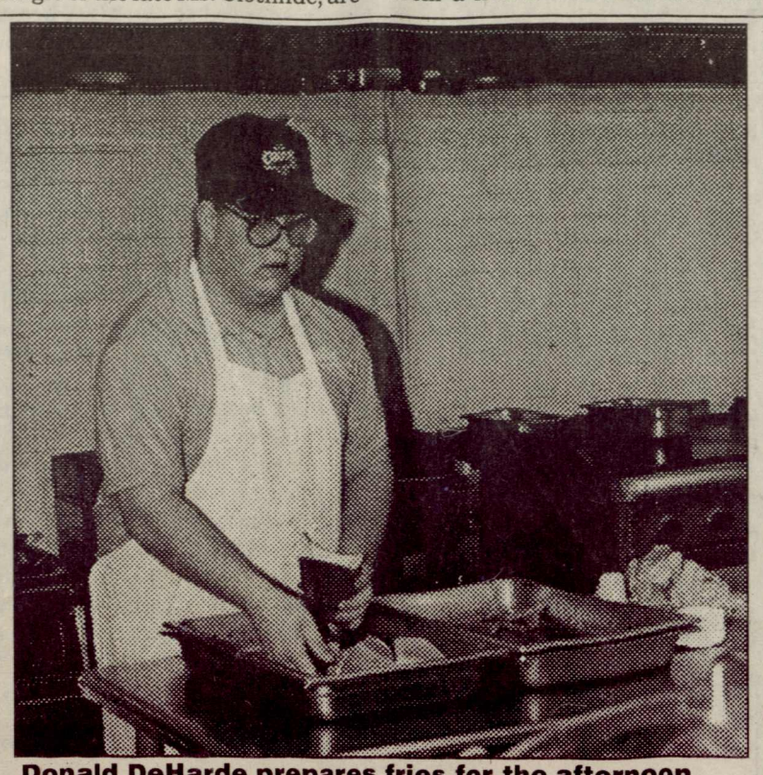
Because Le Rendezvous serves students, DeHarde often has to deal with hungry, stressed-out scholars who expect their food to be ready immediately.

"Some people don't understand that we can't keep a full stock of everything," DeHarde said. "Take grilled chicken, for example, if they're not cooked long enough, a customer may get sick; however, they expect their food to be ready in three minutes.

"And another thing, because we need breaks, too, many times there's only two people doing the work of four people. Since we have only two hands, we can't do 20 things at once."

DeHarde plans to graduate in 1996. He then wants to attend medical school.

"As much as I like my job, I don't plan on a future in the food service industry," DeHarde said. "One day, I hope to be a successful pediatrician with my own practice."



**Donald DeHarde prepares fries for the afternoon rush at LeRendezvous Sunday**

PHOTO BY JEFF GUIN



# Current Opinion

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## Northwestern/Natchitoches not so bad

### Students should spend time noticing the good things about our community



**Leonardo** Cecchini

Guest Column

As a foreign students in a foreign country, people seem to ask me only one question when they find out that I am a student at Northwestern State University: What in the world are you doing here?

Most students are amazed at the fact that I have decided to come all the way from Spain to study at a small university situated in the middle of nowhere, in the state of Louisiana. I've been in Natchitoches two years and find it a propitious place in which to live and study. But I am amazed that residents and students always want to be somewhere else. I say to them: What is wrong with this place?

The University is located in a very beautiful city. I see vivacious little houses everywhere I go and heavenly lakes are always nearby. Fine establishments are built around the city and diverse facilities are available for students on campus. Northwestern is an academically qualified school. Every classroom is filled with competent professors and every class is entertaining in its own way, if you're eager to learn.

People in Natchitoches have a joyous, positive attitude toward life and are friendly, confident and optimistic. I find interaction with them easy and agreeable. I find that most students go home every weekend, not many attend school events (football stadiums are half-empty, and everybody knows just how much people like football around here). Most important of all, many join campus organizations for only one reason: to fill their resume.

As a consequence of our actions, the school spirit is lost. Students only want to benefit themselves. Therefore, all fun is lost and people get bored. Is it because there is nothing to do? No, there is nothing we want to make the effort to do.

Some students feel that Natchitoches is not the place t them and decide they want to stu somewhere else. I understand th decision to go to a different or far school, but not if they go to anoth nearby college.

I encourage everyone study in another country or at lea in another state. Traveling, viewi different sites, interacting with oth people and learning a different c ture helps you get a perspective life.

Those of us who remain Natchitoches should try to revi school spirit. We should support o teams, participate in school orga zations, pay attention in classes a learn to distribute our time better that we don't get too stressed. If do some of these things, perhaps would create a place people wou enjoy spending some time in. St dents could find things to do a have a happier and more joyful at tude toward life.

## 1-800-GET-HELP

### Northwestern needs to take action on clogged phone lines

Phones serve as a type of lifeline for many students. How often, after a rough day of classes do we want to just phone home and hear the voice of a loved one?

Unfortunately, many students aren't getting that option as often as they'd like after night fall. The reason is that campus phone lines become clogged after 5 p.m., making it impossible to get through to anyone, whether they are on or off campus.

Northwestern, like many other universities, has a closed phone service. In other words, the phone system on campus operates independently from the city phone service. While this is handy in some respects (you only have to dial four numbers for on-campus lines), the fact that the phone system operates independently, as a Sprint long-distance carrier, is what causes most of the problems.

Several students have tried to figure out what the problem is, to no avail. Operators are just as clueless as we are about how to remedy the clogged lines.

"The real issue here is whether we should get a phone system that can work through these problems to allow students access to the phone lines"

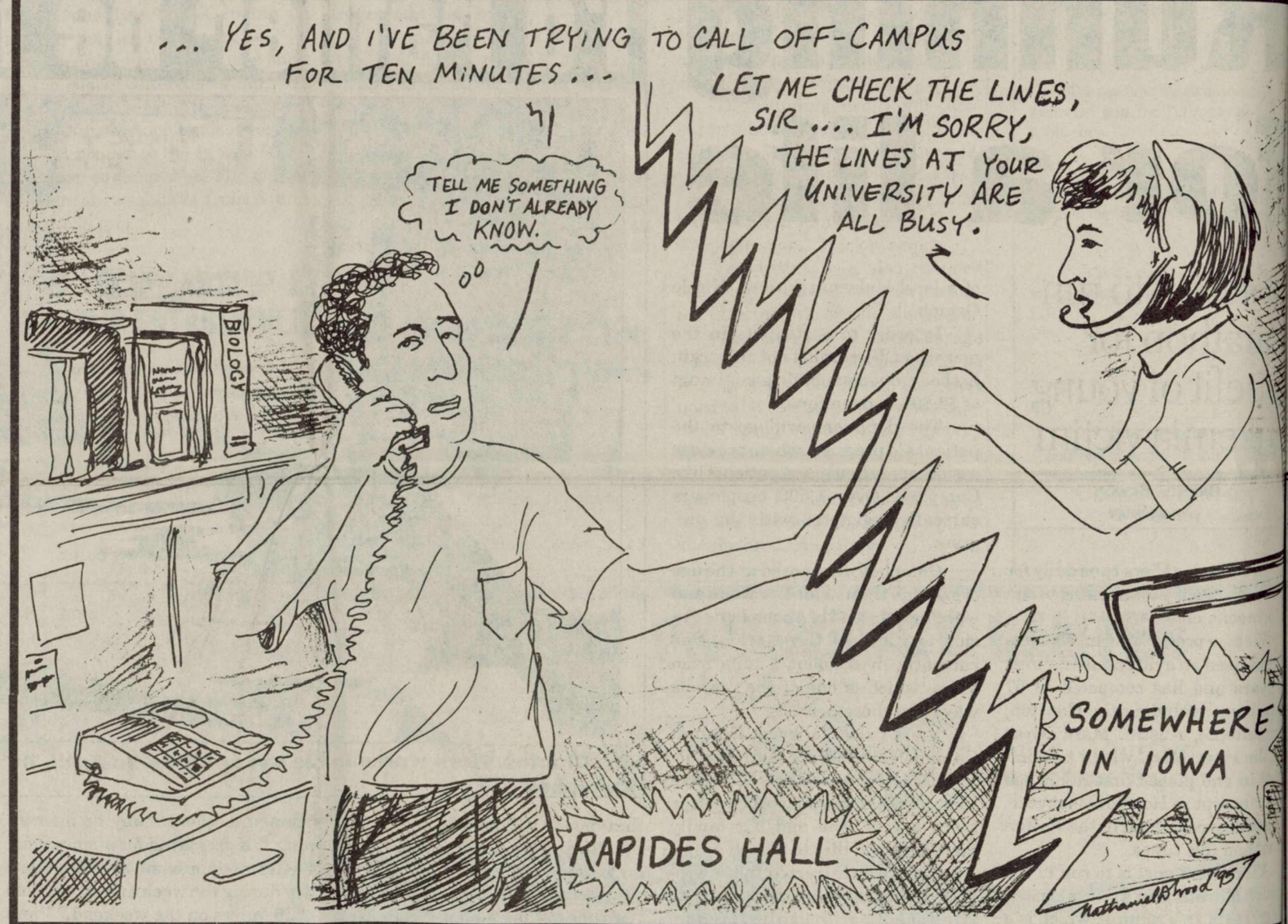
This isn't Sprint's fault we know. And we aren't suggesting that the University change carriers. If anything, AT&T is at fault for its so-called proprietary card which supposedly gives it the edge in long-distance competition.

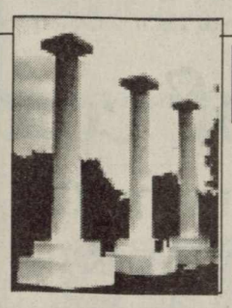
But the real issue here is whether we should get a phone system that can work through these problems to allow students access to the phone lines. According to Stan Hippler, dierctor of the computer center, the question he is dealing with is whether or not to update the system or get a new one.

We have the answer. The University needs a new phone system. Surely we can't keep a system that messes up when people use their AT&T phone cards. That is unless we just tell all the students not to use their AT&T cards. Never mind that it is the easiest card to get and is the long distance service most parents subscribe to. And, lets face it, the parents are paying the phone service bill.

Or we could go ahead and make the investment for a new phone system. Hippler says that the system we have no is only five- years-old. Unfortunately, that was before Northwestern got hooked up to the VAX and gave all students with a computer access to Internet. And while this service is wildly popular even now, five years from now it's sure to at least double.

This, with such new sophisticated phone services such as voice dialing and video phone calls will make our current phone system obsolete in the near future.



**Your** View

Letter to the Editor

## Lodge misinforms student church organization

Susan Kliebert
*Junior, Journalism*

For two months, myself and eight other members of the Holy Cross Catholic Student Organization prepared for our annual fall students' retreat. The retreat was to be held at Griffin's Lodge at Toledo Bend. Reservations for the lodge were made one and a half months in advance by Father Roy, pastor of the church. Shelly Gribbon, who ran the lodge, quoted our group a $400 fee for the weekend. Approximately three weeks before the retreat, the team and Father Roy went to visit the lodge and to pay our 50 percent dep osit.

I believe that the people of the community should see what type of "business" Gribbon is running.

When we arrived at the camp, gribbon was not at home, but her grandmother and a friend were running the lodge, The two women were surprised to see us and said they had no idea that we were coming to visit the lodge. The two women told us that we were not even written down as a "confirmed lodge" and that they had no idea where we were staying for the weekend. After searching through the book, the grandmother found a reservation for "church."

"I don't know if this is you or not, you'll have to ask Shelly," the lady snapped to us. "Just because you give us $200 doesn't mean you'll get a lodge."

The check was given to the grandmother who, in turn placed it on the table with a stack of money that was already on the table. It was to our advantage that we paid our bill by check, because we were not given a receipt for our payment.

In the brochure Gribbon sent to the retreat team, only one lodge was pictured and talked about. It was a large lodge, with eight bedrooms and enough beds for 20 people. Assuming this was the lodge we would be staying in, we asked if we could see the lodge.

We got a tour of the lodge and were told that we would probably not get to stay in this lodge, but we would be staying in a smaller lodge. Because we have a group of 30 for this retreat, the question of not having enough space came up. We were told not to worry because trailers were to be at our access to sleep any additional people.

When we arrived at the lodge on the Friday afternoon that the retreat was to begin, two members of the team brought the other half of the money to Gribbon. After realizing that the check was for $200, Gribbon told the two that it wasn't enough money to cover the whole bill and asked whether any "adults" would be present because she needed to discuss this payment with an adult.

When the rest of the retreat group arrived, an opening prayer was said at which time Gribbon came in to talk to the "adults" and to make sure that we were doing fine. No apologies were made by Gribbon for her interruption.

After this prayer, a team member contacted Father Roy who contacted Ms. Gribbon. At this time Gribbon told Father Roy that if we wanted to stay there, it would $400 a night and an additio charge of $60 a night for each trail She also informed Father Roy tha she did not receive the rest of money that we could leave in minutes." One of the "adults" w was staying with us decided would pay the additional $400 the weekend as a gift to the chur

On the second night of the treat, a bad thunderstorm pass through the area and the electric to the lodge went out. Three tea members went to tell Ms. Gribb about this. Gribbon came to the d of the office clothed only in a shirt. Did Gribbon realize she w answering the door of a busines Obviously not. She contacted t electric company and sent the me bers back to the lodge with her g ciously-supplied hurricane lamp

When the retreat ended, "adults" went to pay Gribbon t extra $400 that was "owed" to h At this time, Gribbon informed t "adults" that we were being charg an additional $256 because we we leaving after noon on check-out da Our $400 weekend costed $1056.

If you decide to spend a wonde ful weekend at Griffin's Lodge, ma sure the quote Gribbon gives you not a weekend one, but a night one. And don't forget check-out ti is noon.

Thanks, Ms. Gribbon, for yo hospitality and your hurricane lam

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# PHONES

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has got the telephone contracts and they have not been able to get a bid completed. It was supposed to have been done by now but evidently they had some major questions with the bid and we're having to resubmit it."

According to Hippler, if anything were added to the present phone system it would require a major investment. Replacement of the system may be an alternative, but a solution is being worked on.

"If we tried to add anything we would have to make changes. We pretty much have it full," Hippler said. "Phone systems used to last years and years and years. Now since they are computerizeds, they get outdated quickly."

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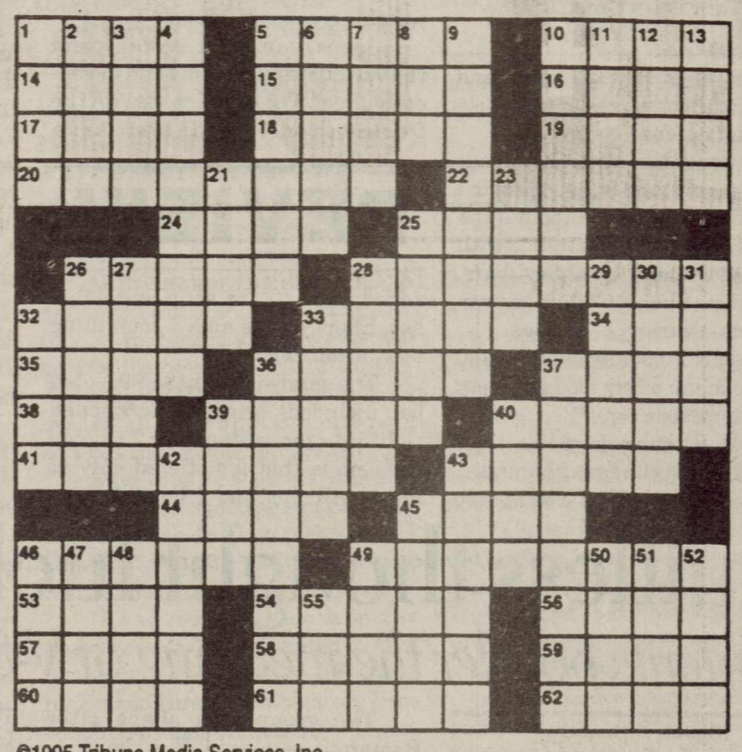
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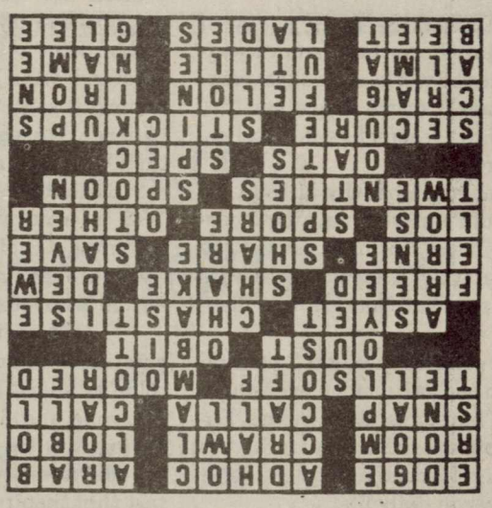


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19 Name
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22 Anchored
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26 Up to now
28 Punish
32 Released
33 Fountain item
34 Morning moisture
35 Fish-eating eagle
36 Portion
37 Rescue
38 — Alamos
39 Seedlike body
40 Different
41 Certain bills
43 A utensil
44 Feedbag filler
45 Kind of delivery: abbr.
46 Safe
49 Crimes at gunpoint
53 Rugged cliff
54 Lawbreaker
56 Remove wrinkles
57 — mater
58 Serviceable, old style
59 Title
60 Borscht vegetable
61 Puts cargo aboard
62 Merriment

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3 Ambition
4 Hired hand
5 Approach and speak to
6 Air current
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8 Bird of prey
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# Restaurant offers variety of go food

REVIEW

Troy Dean Conkle
*Current Sauce*

Shoneys is new in town and offers Natchitoches residents a whole new variety of food.

The new Shoneys is only about two months old, and is just one of the new additions to I-49. Shoney's restaurants are usually associated with their now famous breakfast bars, but this new Shoneys offers restaurant goers a variety of options.

The pace is usually bustling and the large menu offers food for every kind of appetite.

Could I live on food like this? Well, I could at the new Shoneys.

Shoneys now offers a light-side menu for those of you interested in watching your waistline.

Soups are made fresh daily, and the variety ranges from bean to vegetable beef. The soup comes with the freshest salad ($3.99) in town. As an added twist to the soup and salad bar, Shoneys has added something new, a sandwich bar.

The sandwich bar ($4.99, salad bar included) brings your kitchen right into the restaurant. The only problem is that it's offered only at lunch. All this and I haven't even ordered yet.

After looking at the new menu for several minutes I decided on my choice for lunch, a light-side grilled chicken ($4.99, salad bar included). The chicken was delicious, and if you can avoid the honey mustard sauce that comes with it, you will have a low-calorie meal. The light-side menu also includes grilled shrimp and baked fish.

The soup of choice was cabbage beef, a delicious mix of cabbage and beef, with just a touch of tomato sauce.

The dinner menu is full of variety. My dinner choice was the new chopped steak with mushroom and onion sauce ($5.65). If you like chopped steak, this is definitely a winner.

Other dinners include fried shrimp and oriental beef or chicken stir fry (both $4.95).

For final indulgences try a slice of the new pumpkin pie ($.99). If you get the salad bar, you get another original for Natchitoches, the fruit bar.

Shoneys has room for plenty of customers. The atmosphere is definitely suited for quick eating, but offers a quiet dining experience during the middle of the week.

Even if you're not ready to accept Shoneys as old-fashioned family dining, try the new one on I-49 and you may change your mind.

# Fruitless thought fuels discussion group

## *Students ponder the meaning of V-8, Play-Doh, Slinkys*

Marco Buscaglia
*College Press Service*

PHILADELPHIA—After a day of discussing Nietzsche, organic chemistry and the works of Shakespeare, sometimes it's time to just say "no" to anything resembling an intellectual pursuit.

That explains why at the University of Pennsylvania, an increasing number of freshmen are getting together twice a month to discuss really important matters, like Play-Doh.

"Fruitless Thought" participants meet 7:47 p.m. on even-numbered Thursdays at in Penn's English House residence hall to discuss random subjects that most students gloss over in daily life.

"We're trying to provide a bubble away from life for a half an hour," said Penn freshman Harris Romanoff, the founder and guru of the group. "We deal with the everyday things that people usually overlook because of the bigger things that are constantly pounding down on us."

The group took shape after Romanoff, an avid V-8 drinker, wanted the rest of his fifth floor neighbors to try the infamous vegetable drink. "People couldn't understand why I drink the stuff," Romanoff said. "They said it tastes like crap. It seemed like everyone on the floor hated it."

So Romanoff decided to hold a "V-8 Informative Seminar" to tout his drink of choice. After putting up fliers throughout the floor, Romanoff hosted about 20 students in his room.

"I told them that to be truly enjoyed, V-8 had to be served super cold," he said. "We had a sample for everyone, and eight people ended up saying they liked it."

But it wasn't the consumer taste test that inspired Romanoff, it was the discussion that followed.

"People went around the room and told their V-8 horror stories," the 18-year-old said. "We were sitting there talking about something that a lot of people deal with in their everyday lives. I just thought that was interesting."

So Romanoff set up Fruitless Thought, a loosely formatted discussion group that explores the triumphs and trappings surrounding life's everyday objects.

And, as a bow to the groups' title, Romanoff provides some sort of unusual fruit for the group to snack on during each meeting. "We've had pomegranates, starfruit and kumquats," Romanoff said. "It's just a good way for people to try something they've never tried before."

But the big drawing point remains the subjects of discussion, a haphazard collection of everyday trivialities. In addition to Play-Doh, the group already has explored Chapstick, canned cranberry sauce and duct tape.

Romanoff is planning on a whole new range of topics, which include orally fixated people (pen cap suckers) and Slinkys.

"The whole thing has kind of taken off," said Romanoff, who serves as the moderator at each meeting. "There seems to be a lot of people who enjoy the break from the rest of the world."

After the V-8 debate, Romanoff moved the meetings to the fifth floor lounge. He decided to try to expand the audience so he began putting up posters around the residence hall. "But I found out you needed some kind of permit to do that in the dorm," Romanoff said, "so I ended up in the residence hall director's office faced with a $50 fine."

After explaining the group's intentions, Romanoff not only had the fine absolved but was promised $150 from the university to help run his group. "The money covers advertising and fruit," Romanoff said. "It really doesn't cost too much to run it."

The group now numbers close to 40, which Romanoff says is a comfortable size.

"If it were any bigger, we might not be able to get as much hands-on involvement as we have now," he said. "It would have to become more structured."

And that's not exactly the group's intention. "We just want to provide a place where people can go to get away from it all, " he said, "and maybe have a V-8."

# ComputerCorner

Marco Buscaglia
*College Press Service*

When many university and college researchers first learned of a fla in Intel's Pentium computer chip, they got a little nervous.

And with good reason.

While most of us use our computers for tasks no more sophisticate than writing a term paper or balancing our checkbooks, researchers ofte spend endless hours using computers to crunch highly-technical calcul tions.

Juan Rodriguez teaches a physics class at Centenary College Shreveport. Last semester, he and his students performed numerou simulations of organic molecule behavior on a Compaq computer power by the Pentium chip. When Rodriguez learned of the Pentium flaw, he tri a couple of the molecular simulations on another computer. The resul were different from the original simulation.

"We spent three months collecting data and now who knows how mu of it is accurate," Rodriguez said. "You assume that the tools you are usi are working properly, but it just goes to show that you never know."

Although Intel said the odds of data being miscalculated are slim, so researchers are worried that the information they've been processi recently may be inaccurate because of the flaw in the Pentium chip.

"I am not happy about this, especially since it could have be corrected," Rodriguez said. "This is something that shouldn't have ha pened."

Odds are against the flaw in Intel's Pentium chip ever surfacing most people's computers. In fact, Intel engineers estimate that the chip w make an error on the average of once every 27,000 years. That's good ne for those of us who don't spend our days and nights dividing numbers li 6,484,761 by 4,885,693. But for those of us who do, well, that's another sto

What happened was that an Intel engineer left out some "floating poi division" information while putting together the chip.

Computer chips get answers to long division problems, or floati decimal point problems, by using an algorithm formula called SRT.

SRT estimates what each number should be as the problem gets figur out. To make sure that the answer is accurate, the chip checks the estimat result on a lookup table, which is a list of 4,000 possible numeric answe

The Intel engineer forgot to include five of those 4,000 numbe making certain answers to certain numeric combinations inaccurate. Wh any two numbers that are related to the five missing lookup table numbe are in a division problem, the chip produces an error, albeit after the eigh decimal place.

Rodriguez is angry because Intel officials now say they discovered t flaw last summer, but continued making the bad chip until the end September. Since the possibilities of the flaw ever surfacing for any of t 2 million ordinary users was practically non-existent, the company decid against going public with the information.

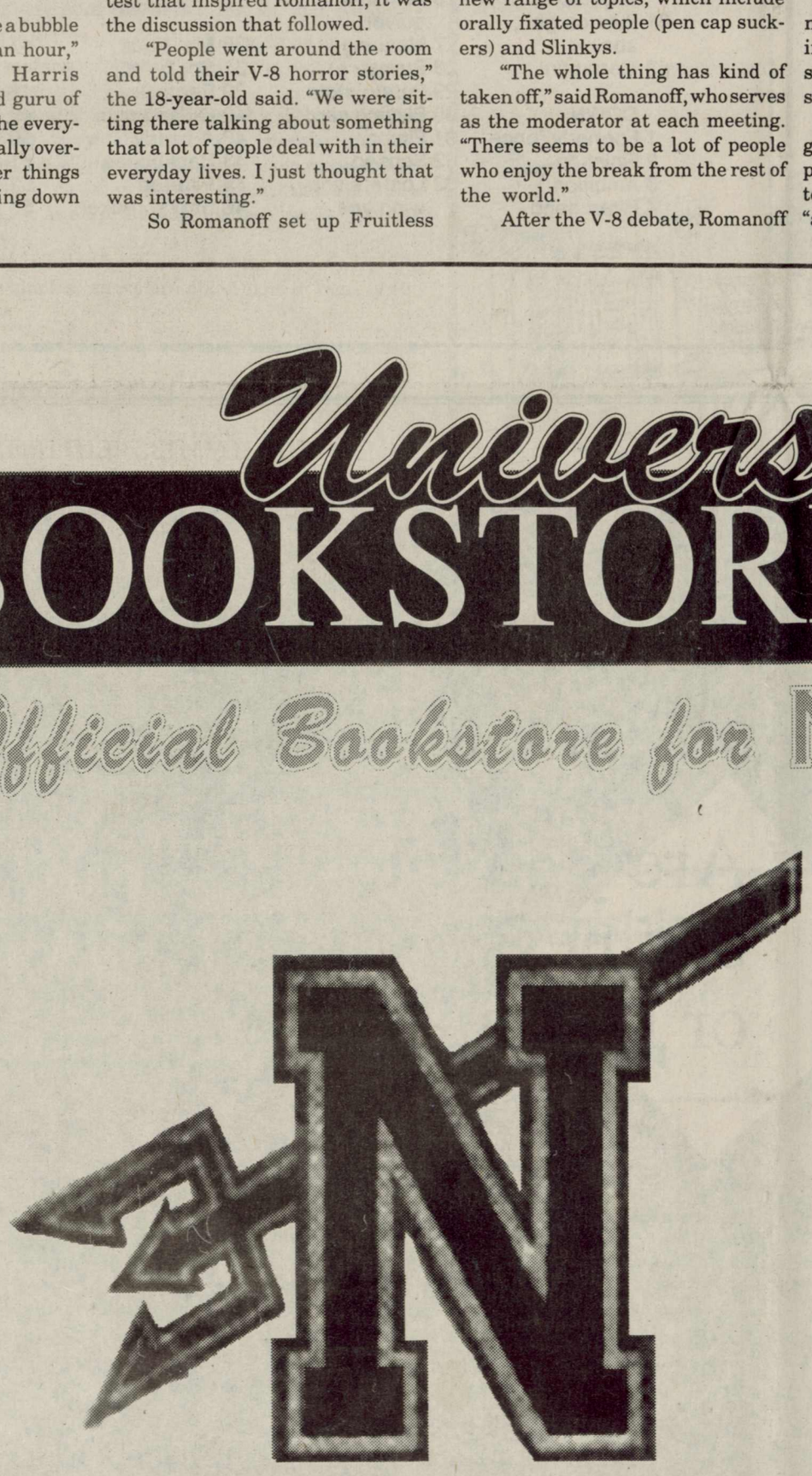
However, as reports leaked out, the company began replacing the chi for scientists and researchers whose work depended on extreme accura

Still, Intel spokesman Howard High told reporters in early Decemb that the chances of any of the two numbers needed to make an error comi up at the same time at random are one in 9 billion, and that the compa had no plans to replace the chip for all consumers.

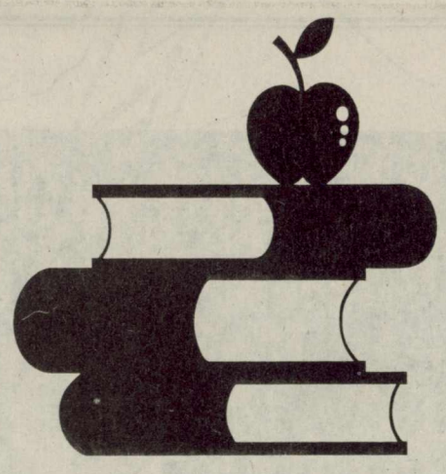
But Intel did a corporate about-face at the end of the month. Taking o full-page ads in newspapers across the nation, Andrew Grove, Inte president and chief executive officer, apologized for the way the compa handled the flawed chip and offered to replace the chip with the correct version free of charge.


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# Colgate star first saw basketball only five years ago

MARCO BUSCAGLIA
*College Press Service*

HAMILTON, N.Y.—Five years ago, donal Foyle didn't even know what basketball was.

Now, the 6-10, 260-pound freshman at Colgate University averages 4 points a game and is considered by many Nationall Basketballl Association scouts to be a potential top draft pick.

Born on the Caribbean island of Canouan, a small piece of land off the coast of Venezuela in the St. Vincent and Grenadines chain, Foyle spent his days catching fish with his hands and his nights socializing with his neighbors.

He lived with his grandmother and his aunt and had expected nothing more out of life than an occasional odd job. His education, he assumed, would end in the eighth grade.

"I thought I would be building roads in Canouan with the others," Foyle said. "But even that doesn't happen every day. They call you when they need you, and then you find other things to do while you wait for them to call you again."

But after watching an NBA game on a small black-and-white, generator-powered television in the basement of the town store, Foyle decided that he had more options in his life than he realized.

"It really opened a whole new world for me," he said. "I liked the game, but what really fascinated me was the United States and its culture. I wanted to learn all I could."

So Foyle began studying for a standardized entrance exam to a secondary school on Union, a nearby island where his mother lived. After failing the exam three times, Foyle was ready to give up.

"But all of my friends were passing the test and leaving the island one by one," he said. "It made me want to study harder."

And he did. Foyle said that he studied every night for a year, usually by the light of an oil lamp until the early hours of the morning.

Foyle ended up passing the test and moved to Union in 1991. School was a challenge, but Foyle was doing well. Basketball, however, was another story.

Foyle made his debut in a pick-up game, but after being called for a traveling violation, Foyle was so embarrassed that he didn't play again for five months.

During the summer of '92, Colgate professors Jay and Joan Mandle were visiting the Caribbean islands while doing research on a book about the development of basketball in that tropical region. The Mandles noticed Foyle, who had obviously overcome his embarrassment, playing in a tournament on the island of Dominica.

Impressed by his natural abilities, the husband and wife offered to bring the 15-year-old back to the United States to help him further develop his skills.

After getting the green light from his mother, Foyle decided to make the move. "I was excited because it was an opportunity for me to do something with my life," Foyle said. "I've always wanted to make sure that I take advantage of every chance I get."

The Mandles sent Foyle to live with a family in Philadelphia so he could enroll at Cardinal O'Hara High School, one of the top basketball programs in the country. But after a disappointing academic year, the Mandles decided to bring Foyle back to their home in Hamilton, N.Y., where Foyle began his junior year at the local high school.

Foyle's game and grades picked up, thanks to the support he received from the Mandles, whom he now calls Mom and Dad.

"It's nice to live with two college professors because the discussions are always enlightening," Foyle said. "It's one thing to have a tutor but that only goes so far. When I moved to New York, I learned more at home than I did at school."

Wherever Foyle refined his studies, it was enough to earn him the presidency of the Hamilton High School National Honor Society. Meanwhile, the basketball team, with the aid of their new star center, had to move its games to Colgate University's gymnasium because of the increased fan support.

As Foyle's star began to rise, the native of Canouan began attracting college recruiters from across the nation. To help him make the big decision, the Mandles acked Colgate basketball coach Jack Bruen to help sort out the various programs.

After countless phone calls and visits, Foyle decided against attending such basketball powerhouses as Duke and Syracuse universities and instead decided to stay at home.

"I had moved so much in the past two years I just wanted to stay in one spot for a while," said Foyle of his decision to attend Colgate, where enrollment tops off at 2,700. "I have a great relationship with the coach, and I feel very comfortable here."

So far this season, Foyle has been the centerpiece of a very young team. Although the Red Raiders are struggling to reach .500,

Foyle has shown signs of greatness, blocking 36 shots in seven games and averaging 14 points and 13 rebounds.

"The more we work together, the better we will get," said Foyle, who hasn't declared a major as of yet, but says he has a strong interest in drama and poetry. "We have a lot of potential."

While Foyle admits that he sometimes misses life in the Caribbean, he doubts he could go back for more than a visit.

"I guess I'm a little spoiled by all of this," he said. "It's great to be a basketball player in this country. The amount of attention people pay to the game absolutely amazes me."

And for Foyle, who is drawing more media coverage with every game, that attention may be just beginning.


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## Campus Connection

***Alpha Lambda Delta***

Welcome back Bash for all old and new Alpha Lambda Delta members. Wednesday, Jan. 25 from 5p.m. to 6p.m. Place to be announced in the next Current Sauce.

***Watson Library***

The reference department will offer library skills workshops to help students better understand and use library facilities. Open to all NSU and LSMSA student, these workshops will be held in Watson Library and will last approximately 45 minutes.

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Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. will have its spring Rush '95 on Feb. 6 at 7p.m. in the Student Union. All interested ladies should send a transcript to Iota Mu Chapter NSU box 4529.

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# Cowboys loss made to order for Niners, NFL

I am not in the best of moods right now, with the dethroning of my heroes as world champions by the San Francisco 49 Millionaires in Sunday's NFC title game. This was supposed to be the time that myself and billions of Dallas fans around the world would finally be free of all the sickening adoration bestowed upon the best football team that money could buy in the Niners.

But alas, the two-time defending world champions were just too injury-riddled to overtake a San Francisco team that was supported by the entire National Football League all season.

The 49ers first got under my skin by signing Cowboy Pro Bowl linebacker Ken Norton in the off season, a fact that I gradually learned to live with. After all, Norton was no Lawrence Taylor, and the constant whining about his paycheck was wearing thin.




But then the Millionaires, who were *soooooooo* near the salary cap limit in training camp, somehow came up with enough money to sign former Saints pass rusher Rickey Jackson, loading up his contract with incentives that could push a minimum salary into the two-million dollar range.

But the capper, of course, was the mysterious signing of Prime Time celebrity Deion Sanders. With less than one million remaining under the cap and barely two weeks after announcing that they were bowing out of the Sanders Sweepstakes, team president Carmen "Slick" Policy reworked Norton's contract and several others to come up with almost two million dollars in salary to offer Deion.

It all happened so fast; most couldn't understand it. This sports fan still doesn't. How does the highest paid NFL team in 1993, which ended the year several million dollars over the new salary cap, end up with the money to sign such big name free agents like Norton, Sanders, Jackson, Richard Dent, Gary Plummer, and Toi Cook?

Something sounds fishy here, doesn't it?

The bottom line from Sunday's NFC Game of the Decade is this—the 49ers managed to sweet talk the entire league into allowing them to circumvent the salary cap and it's probably going to allow them to steal a Super Bowl title, which is exactly what everyone wanted all along, from the commissioner's office down to the Washington Redskins' janitor.

Sure, I know what you're thinking—sour grapes and sore loser, huh? That might well be the case, but it's what I've been saying all year long. From the final gun of the Cowboys' 30-13 dismantling of the Bills in last season's Super Bowl, the entire league has been in revolt.

Imagine this: Dallas manages to win its third straight Super Bowl this season. What does that do for the NFL's vision of parity in the league? For three years, no one was able to stop the Cowboys from going the distance?

That would possibly mean that future seasons could become boring because, after all, why watch games when they only lead up to yet another trophy presentation to Dallas owner Jerry Jones?

Then what happens? Well, boring football means fewer people want to watch on television, meaning all important drops in the ratings. That means less money for everyone, and that would be bad for the league, right?

Who cares? The NFL doesn't like to admit it openly, but the Dallas Cowboys have basically carried the NFL's pocketbook for decades. The league wants to have parity in the standings, yet Cowboys merchandise sells three times more often than the next leading logo. According to last season's NFL Properties estimates, Cowboy apparel rakes in over 27 percent of the total sale of NFL team merchandise. The next franchise: the Raiders, at a paltry nine percent.

The other sign that the Cowboys were going to have to fight a losing battle for a Three-Peat came from the schedule-maker. Dallas played a Monday night game on Nov. 7 against the New York Giants, a team picked in the preseason to battle the Cowboys for the NFC East crown.

Then, after what was supposed to be a key battle for the division title, Dallas was to travel to San Francisco for the big game on Nov. 13 with the Niners.

Not only that, but the Cowboys' last two games were against New Orleans on a Monday night in the Superdome, then a Christmas Eve finale against the Giants in what was supposed to be the deciding game for the NFC East.

San Francisco's schedule? Well, for starters, the Niners practically start the season 6-0 because of division games with New Orleans, Atlanta, and the Rams. What kind of division is that? The Demons could win that division.

Then this season, for reasons I can't imagine, the 49ers drew the Redskins and Buccaneers, whom they play every year for some unknown reason.

How does a division winner from the previous season get scheduled to play a Washington squad that went 4-12 the year before, plus a Tampa Bay bunch that averages maybe six wins a year every year? Go figure that parity.

Then as the capper to all this, the officiating in Sunday's game was borderline criminal. The crew working the game was so blatantly biased against Dallas that the entire spectacle was sickening to watch.

I have proof, of course. Cowboys cornerback Larry Brown, already overmatched against Jerry Rice, made a great play midway through the second quarter against Rice. An hour seemed to pass before an official threw a flag for pass interference. Rice had managed to argue himself to a penalty.

Then, in the second half, as Dallas was mounting a comeback, Michael Irvin was practically mugged by Sanders, yet no penalty was called. These two incidents don't include Sanders spending all day grabbing and pushing Cowboy receivers.

I guess the league's so-called "five--yard rule" was only to be enforced upon teams that don't wear red and white with ugly gold helmets.

The loss by the Cowboys Sunday was planned long before kickoff at Candlestick Park. It had been in the workings around the NFL all season long.

Yes, Millionaire fans, you finally get to celebrate. The curse is over for now.

But a word of warning from a grieving yet proud follower of America's Team.

We'll be back.

## Barnett looks for answers to solving inconsistencies

# Demons overpowered 86-71

David Weaver
*Current Sauce*

Led by a dominating inside game and questionable officiating Saturday night, the Nicholls State Colonels held off a stubborn Demons squad 86-71 in Prather Coliseum.

"They overpowered us," Northwestern head coach J. D. Barnett said of the Colonels, who used the play of Gerard King in the middle and Terrell Castle from the outside to stop the surprising Demons. "You're talking about the two best inside players in the league (King and All-SLC post Reggie Jackson), and they have tremendous quickness in the backcourt. We had them in a position to win the game, but we couldn't respond."

Except for the first part of the first half, the Demons (8-4 overall, 3-2 SLC) were constantly battling from behind, according to Barnett, in more ways than one.

"I've never seen a team be able to just back you in with their rear end, get within four feet of the basket, and someone just throw it to them for a lay-in," Barnett said. "That's a foul, and it was never called."

The Colonels (9-3, 5-1 SLC) were led by the inside play of the 6-9 King, who pounded away on Northwestern's smaller inside players with 27 points and 10 rebounds. Castle chipped in 25 points and went 4-4 from behind the three-point arc.

Northwestern, led by Kenny McMillon's quick nine points, led the Colonels by five, 22-17, with nine minutes remaining in the first half, but a 12-2 run by Nicholls gave the visitors a 29-24 lead with 4:01 remaining in the half.

Nicholls had opened the second half with a 9-0 spurt that turned a three-point halftime lead into a 12-point Demon deficit less than two minutes into the second half. Led by seven straight points from Charlie Johnson, Northwestern pulled to within three at the 13:34 mark of the second half.

King answered for Nicholls with five straight points to push a one-point deficit back up to six with 11:14 remaining. But a Taurius Brown jumper and steal by Johnson,



Barnett

who nailed a three-pointer from the top of the circle, pushed the Demons back to within a point.

The Colonels followed with an 11-2 r that Northwestern couldn't overcome w 6:13 left. King scored six during the run a Castle nailed a three to open the game once more for Nicholls State. The Dem were outscored 18-13 the rest of the wa

"They really fought for the ball insi Brown said, after leading the Demons w 12 rebounds to go along with 16 poi "They just sealed us down and got the ba and scored."

McMillon, who led Northwestern w 19 points, was held in check from behind three-point line by the Colonels, going from downtown.

The senior guard, who needs only f three-pointers to break the school ca record of 172, felt the Colonels were ke on the long distance game most of the ni

"They (Nicholls) were very conscious the three point shot," McMillon said. "T were denying the pass out. I basically wa open."

Barnett was disappointed with the p formance of the Demon offense overall felt that his team didn't put enough p sure on the Colonels on the offensive en the court.

"We never really got into a flow of sively," Barnett said. "We never got agg sive offensively. We were spending too m time going east to west instead of g north and south and attacking the glass. spent too much time going laterally, and can't play a team like Nicholls without stantly attacking the glass."

Barnett was concerned about how team would respond coming out of the and going on the road to face Mississ State last night because of "unpredictability" the young Demons h shown this season.

"This team is the most unpredict team I've ever been around in all my year coaching," he said. "When you think the up, they're down. When you think the not ready to play, they're ready to pl can't figure them out."

Barnett and his team will have to fi out something as they hit the road for ference games Thursday and Saturda Stephen F. Austin and at Sam Houston

"Coming into the game, we were re to play, " Brown said. "But, I'm the ty person that will put a game behind whether it's a win or a loss, and that's w we have to do with this one."

The Demons now enter a stretch of schedule that will be extremely tough. N western, following Monday's game at So eastern Conference member Mississ State, will play its next two conference ga on the road at Stephen F. Austin Thurs and Sam Houston Saturday.

McMillon expects the team to resp in a positive way.

"We're going to have to go in this w and bust our tails," he said. "We know t are big games coming up."

Barnett was not thrilled about ha to go on the road to a power such as Mis sippi State, but he said it was necessar do .

"There's never a good time to go on road, especially to Mississippi State, said. "But economically we have to do

### *Demon Statistics (thru Jan. 14)*

| | Avg. Min | FG Pct. | FT Pct. | 3PT Pct. | Pts./Gm. | Asts. | Reb. Avg. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Taurius Brown | 31.0 | 459 | 578 | 500 | 17.7 | 25 | 9.2 |
| Kenny McMillon | 22.7 | .447 | .725 | .327 | 11.9 | 21 | 3.0 |
| Charles Duncan | 19.5 | .455 | 643 | .358 | 10.0 | 15 | 3.2 |
| Ryan Bundy | 29.2 | .549 | .701 | 411 | 8.5 | 69 | 1.7 |
| J.R. Whittaker | 26.0 | .531 | .714 | 272 | 7.5 | 19 | 6.0 |
| Charlie Johnson | 10.5 | .388 | .777 | .388 | 5.8 | 7 | 1.4 |
| Chris Trailer | 10.8 | .437 | .556 | .000 | 4.3 | 4 | 2.4 |
| Seth Legrand | 17.5 | .038 | .474 | .000 | 3.9 | 5 | 4.2 |
| Keith Tisdell | 13.2 | .429 | 736 | .222 | 3.3 | 17 | 1.7 |
| Marquis Stafford | 9.6 | 483 | 294 | .250 | 3.2 | 8 | 1.1 |
| Ken Wafer | 8.2 | 240 | .333 | .077 | 1.6 | 12 | 1.8 |
| Darren Garner | 4.6 | 375 | .666 | .000 | 0.6 | 5 | 0.8 |

### *Lady Demon Statistics (thru Jan. 12)*

| | Avg. Min. | FG Pct. | FT Pct. | 3PT Pct. | Pts./Gm. | Asts. | Reb. Avg. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Bridgete Williams | 31.6 | 381 | .773 | 000 | 15.6 | 24 | 5.0 |
| Joskeen Garner | 34.7 | .448 | .641 | .167 | 14.2 | 61 | 14.3 |
| Angela Simpson | 28.5 | .394 | .667 | .343 | 13.5 | 22 | 3.4 |
| Stephanie Shaw | 36.7 | .455 | 698 | .500 | 11.4 | 57 | 3.4 |
| Shirlynda Williams | 13.0 | 343 | .682 | .667 | 4.1 | 6 | 2.8 |
| Susan Baxter | 21.6 | 395 | 778 | .000 | 3.7 | 5 | 3.5 |
| Kim Kahl | 6.7 | .308 | .667 | .000 | 1.8 | 2 | 1.4 |
| Amanda Cooper | 5.6 | .353 | 800 | 000 | 2.2 | 3 | 1.2 |
| Cynthia Brown | 8.1 | .438 | .556 | .000 | 1.7 | 0 | 2.0 |
| Angela Lucius | 8.0 | .261 | .000 | .308 | 2.7 | 2 | 1.2 |
| Nicole Lacy | 6.9 | .368 | .500 | .000 | 1.8 | 2 | 2.6 |
| Alison Norman | 2.5 | 200 | .800 | .000 | 1.0 | 1 | 0.3 |
| Stephanie Williams | 2.6 | 200 | .571 | 000 | 0.7 | 1 | 0.8 |
| Missi Hardy | 3.7 | .000 | .500 | 000 | 0.3 | 0 | 0.3 |

## Sports Briefs

### Coaching milestone close for Demons' Barnett

Demon head coach J. D. Barnett is one win away from his 300th collegiate coaching victory. Barnett, in his first season at the helm of the Demons, has a career 299-176 record on the college level in 17 seasons.

Barnett ranks 61st in winning percentage and 54th in total wins among active major college coaches. In 14 seasons at Tulsa, Virginia Commonwealth, and Louisiana Tech, he posted a 262-150 record and guided nine teams into post-season play, including seven NCAA Tournament appearances. Tulsa made two more trips to the National Invitation Tournament in 1990 and 1991.

### McMillon, Brown near career marks for scoring

Seniors Kenny McMillon and Taurius Brown have chances to join the Demons' 1,000-Point Club this season. McMillon, from Logansport, needs 176 points in the remaining 14 games while Brown, from Birmingham, AL, is 136 points away.

McMillon will need to average 13 points the rest of the year, while Brown needs a 16.8 average to reach the milestone.

### Lady Demons lead SLC stat

In Thursday's 75-54 win over McNe junior Joskeen Garner recorded her se career triple-double for the Lady Dem scoring 16 points, grabbing 21 rebou and dishing out 10 assists.

Several Lady Demons rank in the 10 in individual Southland Conference tistics. Garner is first in rebounding ( and assists (5.1) per game. Bridgette W iams ranks first in free throw percenta .786 and third in scoring with 15.5 po per game. Stephanie Shaw ranks dire behind Garner in assists with 4.9 per ga

# Lady Demons rest with easy win over Nicholls, prepare for Ladyjacks

David Weaver
*Current Sauce*

If Saturday's Lady Demons-Nicholls State game had been the story of David and Goliath, history would be changed drastically.

The Lady Demons strangled the Lady Colonels from the opening tip to the final buzzer and eased to a 110-63 dismantling of Nicholls in which Northwestern Coach James Smith was able to sit his starters for most of the second half.

"We've played our starters usually 35-38 minutes a game all year," Smith said as his team ran its record to 9-3 overall and a perfect 5-0 in the Southland Conference. "They're tired, and it's good that we got them some rest and can maybe get their legs back under them a little bit."

The Lady Demons were led to their six straight victory by Bridgete Williams and Angela Simpson, who each scored 17 points in under 20 minutes of action. All-America candidate Joskeen Garner, who averaged 14 points and 13.6 rebounds a game in 34 minutes going into Saturday's game, chipped in 14 points and 5 board against the Lady Colonels in only 22 minutes.

Point guard Stephanie Shaw, who averages nearly 37 minutes a game, left in the second half after playing only half that total, 19.

"We jumped out to a big lead early and were able to play a lot of players, but the thing is that our level of play didn't go down very much," Smith said. "Overall we were just too deep and played too many players that played really well."

Nicholls, which had snapped a 22-game conference losing streak on Jan. 7 for its first win of the season, could only stay close to the Lady Demons for about two minutes. Beginning with a 7-7 tie at 18:50 of the first half, the Lady Demons went on a 13-0 run that opened up the score at 20-7 with 13:37 remaining in the half.

When the Lady Colonels had closed to within 10 at 22-12 with 11:53 left, Northwestern went on an 11-1 spurt that put the margin at 33-13 with 9:17 to go before halftime.

The Lady Demons led by as much in the first half before going into the lo room with a 49-31 advantage. Brid Williams and Shirlynda Williams led first half barrage for Northwestern, wit and 10 points, respectively. Shirlynda W iams pulled down a team-high seven bo in the game, all in the first half.

Northwestern opened the second with six straight points to stretch the lea 24, 55-31. The Lady Demon reserves over the game with about eleven minute go.



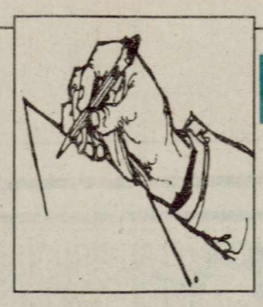
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Lady Demons pull off huge win at SFA; regain top spot in conference race



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KNWD DJs keep life on campus interesting with diverse tastes

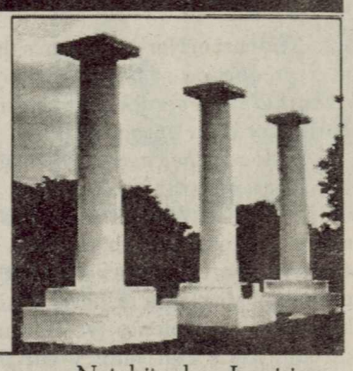


**Editorial:**

Personal responsibility overlooked in firearms regulation argument


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## World Report

### CAMPUS

**UNIVERSITY TO DISCUSS HAZING:** David Westol, executive director of the Theta Chi international Fraternity, will discuss hazing practices in fraternities and sororities at 8 p.m. Tuesday in the Magale Recital Hall.

**PRESIDENT FILES FOR DIVORCE:** University President Robert A. Alost filed for divorce from his wife of nearly 40 years, Alma Rabb Alost, last Tuesday. The couple was married on Dec. 30, 1955 in Waterproof, La. Alost and Mrs. Alost have three children together: Mike, Stan and Wes.

**NSU DEBATE TEAM STARTS YEAR WITH SUCCESS:** Beginning in December, the debate team started their year of debates at various tournaments at the University of Southern California and placed second.

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### CITY

**NATCHITOCHES MAKES PLANS TO DRAW INDUSTRY AND JOBS TO THE CITY:** The Natchitoches Police Jury met last Wednesday to discuss ways to increase economic activity in Natchitoches. The jury will begin looking for a new industrial park in the parish in hopes to draw more businesses to the city.

### STATE

**LOUISIANA EDUCATORS RECEIVED MORE FUNDING FOR MATH AND SCIENCE PROGRAMS:** Classroom mathematics and science education got another boost with the announcementthat $3.8 million in grants will fund 28 professional development projects for teachers statewide during 1995-96. The Louisiana Systemic Initiatives Program Council approved the funds for 15 projects in science and 13 projects in mathematics.

### NATION

**COLLEGE ENROLLMENT DOWN:** College and university enrollments declined in many states this fall, according to a survey by the American Council on Education. Eleven of 17 (or 65 percent) of states surveyed experienced enrollment declines, according to the report. The decline, however, was less than last year, when 12 of 16 states (or 75 percent) reported fewer students enrolling—the largest decline in the seven-year history of the ACE survey. Declines in enrollment were attributed to a shrinking pool of college-age students and the continuing impact of reductions in state support earlier in the decade.

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# Students remember murdered classmate

## Anthropology student is fatally shot while searching for diary in an empty house

JANE BALDWIN
*Current Sauce*

"She was the most harmless person I knew," Jeff Fontenot, a sophomore anthropology major, said along with other fellow classmates of Theresa Rivers. "She was devoted to everyone," he said.

The recent death of the Northwestern student has left many people, especially Rivers' classmates and professors, in shock. "She died so suddenly," Caroline Breedlove, a graduate student in history, said. "Everybody really loved her. She would always hug you."

Rivers, a senior anthropology major from Zwolle, was fatally shot and her husband, Vernon Rivers, 48, was also shot at 11:30 p.m. after breaking into a vacant house on the Murdock Farm Road in search of a diary.

According to Sabine Sheriff James Alfice Brumley Jr., a neighbor, Darren Ray Rivers (no relation), heard them breaking into the house and shot at them because he thought they were burglars. Mrs. Rivers was shot in the left thigh and left arm from the buckshot and Vernon Rivers was shot in the chest. Brumley did not know how many shots had been fired at the time.

Brumley said Mrs. Rivers bled to death while in route to the hospital in her husband's truck. Vernon Rivers was reported to be in stable condition in the LSU Medical Center in Shreveport Friday.



Rivers

Darren Rivers is being held in the Sabine Parish Detention Center in Many, Brumley said. No hearing has been set yet. He is being charged with one count of second-degree murder and one count of attempted second-degree murder.

According to Breedlove, Theresa Rivers was working on a personal project with the Apache-Choctaw Indians. Theresa was said to have found an old map at a pawn shop that showed a diary was in the abandoned house on the Murdock Farm Road that could have some information for her project.

"She was very excited about archeology," Breedlove said. "She was a good researcher."

The death of Theresa Rivers has also left the town of Zwolle in shock. Jeff Cryer, a senior public relations journalism major from Zwolle, said, "The town is shocked."

They have a big family," Crier said. "They are a very prominent family as far as Zwolle goes. People are kind of angry about the way it happened. There are a lot of questions."

The funeral was held Saturday in St. Joseph's Church in Zwolle. She is survived by five children and her husband. "Theresa was a wonderful friend and a beautiful spirit," Susan Dollar, director of the Southern Studies Institute at Northwestern. "We were blessed to know her."

### Shooting

**Zwolle, La., where Northwestern student Theresa Rivers was fatally shot.**

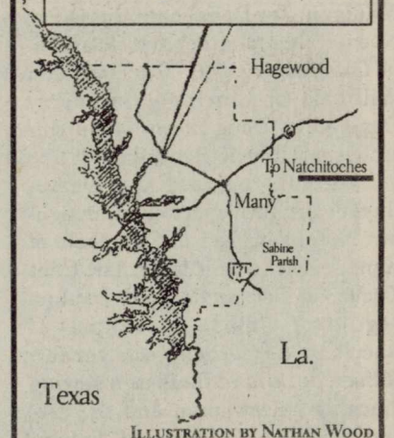



ILLUSTRATION BY NATHAN WOOD

# LSMSA students to build robot

JANE BALDWIN
*Current Sauce*

Northwestern and the Louisiana School for Math, Sciences and the Arts are combining their talents and skills this semester to explore the intricacies of electronics and technology, but not through books or classes.

Through a program called U.S. First, 15 Louisiana School students are designing and constructing a robot.

U.S. First was founded by Dean Kamen, a self-made millionaire, while he attended college. His philosophy in founding the program was "You can always earn more money with your mind than with your muscles."

Kamen's inspiration came from a study that showed the United States ranked second lowest in the world in math and science proficiency. He decided to do something about it.

"His plan is to inspire young students into science and technology," said Dr. Alfred Villavaso, professor of math and physical science and coordinator of U.S. First for Northwestern. "He doesn't want it to be an educational experience, but an inspirational experience."

In the program, high schools team up with a University and a major corporation to design and build a robot that has to meet specific qualifications to enter a contest with other high schools.

The team consists of 15 Louisiana School students and four of their faculty, along with representatives from the University and a corporation. The actual operation of the robot must be done by high school students.

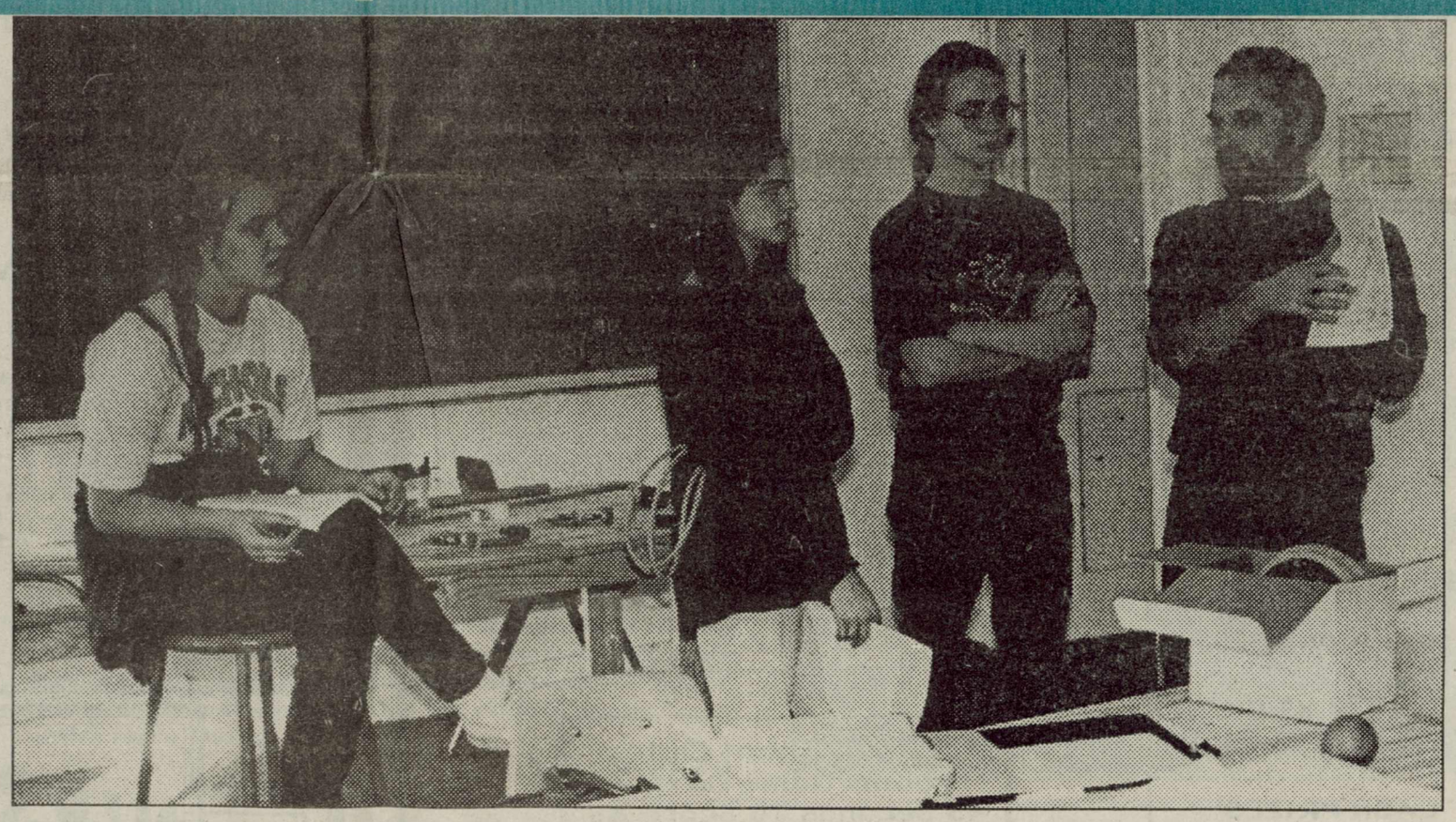
In this year's contest, the robot must be able to pick balls of two different sizes and throw or place the balls through a goal. "There are three robots in at play and each have to pick as many balls as possible and shoot it through the goal in two minutes," Villavaso said.

The larger balls weigh 5.2 pounds and the smaller balls weigh 3.4 pounds each. "The students have to build a robot that does something and the robot has to win the competition," Villavaso said. "It can win by scoring the most points with the balls."

Martin Marietta Manned Space Systems in New Orleans is the major corporation that is sponsoring the project. Engineers at Martin Marietta make the external tanks for the space shuttle.The company provides the students with engineers who advise them and they also provide additional funding for the robot.

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## Making plans



**Kristi Caramardelle, a senior LSMSA student from West Wego, Heather Douglas, a LSMSA junior from LaPlace , Indra Heckenback, a LSMSA junior from Abbeville and Chuck Scheier, coordinator of U.S. First at the Louisiana School, discuss the design of the robot.** PHOTO BY JEFF GUIN

# 'Science: Out of This World' program wins gold medal

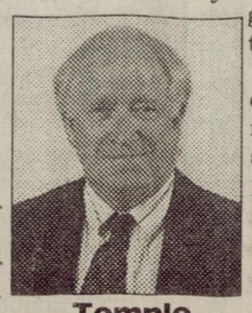
## Distance learning class impresses judges at national competition

A distance learning program produced at Northwestern won the gold medal in an international competition in New York Friday.

*Science: Out of This World* program captured a gold medal at the New York Festivals International Non-Broadcast Media Competition in the Distance Learning: Science category.

*Science: Out of This World* is produced by the Louisiana Instructional Satellite Telecommunications Network (LISTN) and the Space Science Group at Northwestern.

The class is broadcast via satellite to more than 1,600 students at 35 sites around Louisiana Monday through Thursday. Funding for the class is provided by a grant from the Louisiana Department of Education and the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education.



Temple

"When we set out to develop this course three years ago, we knew it had to be fast-paced and offer scientific concepts in an exciting and visually appealing way," said Dr. Austin Temple, director of the division of mathematics and sciences and the Space Science Group. "It's gratifying to be recognized for this team effort."

The competition received 1,251 entries from 36 countries in the non-broadcast category. Entries are screened by panels of judges comprised of New York area non-broadcast and television media professionals, as well as panels in TV stations and companies throughout the United States. This process determines finalists, who may go on to receive gold, silver and bronze medals in their categories. The New York Festivals was founded in 1957 as an international awards competition designed primarily to reward outstanding achievements in non-broadcast media. It is the major awards event honoring achievements in the educational, industrial, audio-visual and non-theatrical home video fields.

"This award will give us a great deal of credibility among education and distance learning professionals around the country,"Dr. Ron McBride, head of the department of journalism and telecommunications, said. "We believe the program is comparable to programs delivered by PBS or other outlets. An advantage we have is that we have geared this program to a particular age group. Most programs are geared to a more general audience."

McBride said that *Science: Out of This World* uses animation, video packages and footage supplied by NASA to keep the pace of the show fast moving.

Another element that sets the program apart from similar classes is the inclusion of laboratory experiments.

"Educational research indicates that students learn much better when they actually do something instead of just hearing about it," said Mike Hawkins, outreach coordinator for the Space Science Group and primary on-air instructor. "The lab work grew out of our work with Camp Discovery. We learned how effective experiments can be used to teach scientific concepts. The students say that the experiments are their favorite part of the class."

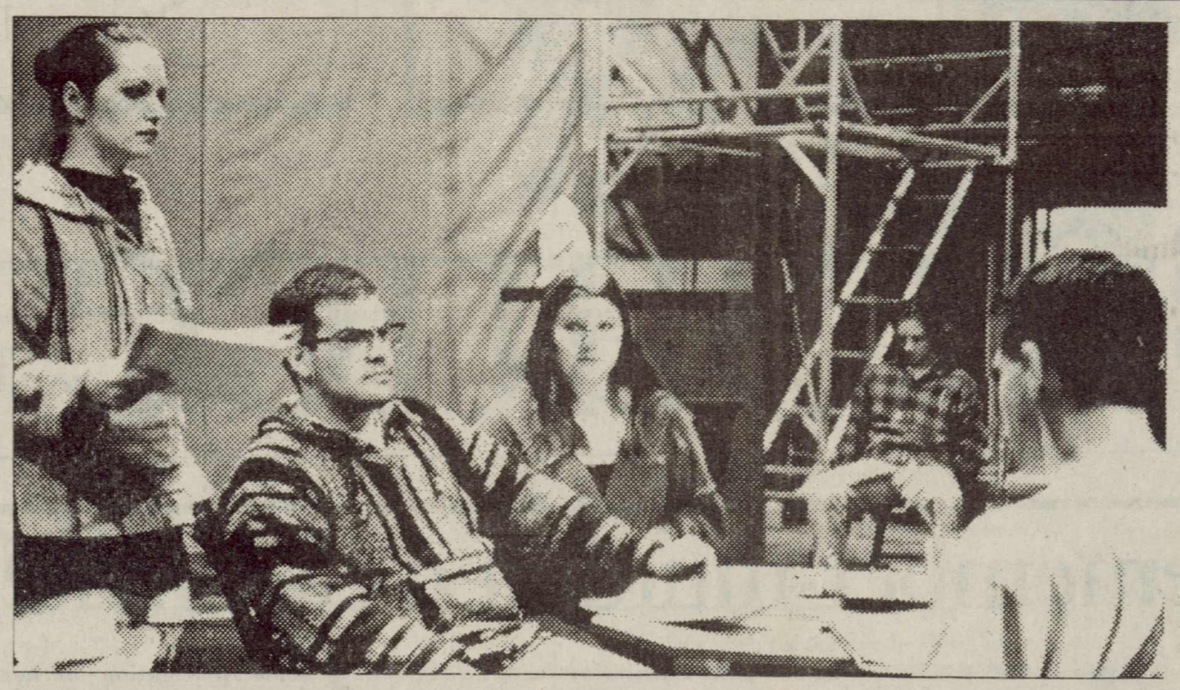
## *Juno and The Paycock* to begin spring theater productions

The cast of Northwestern's theater production of Sean O'Casey's *Juno and The Paycock* are busy preparing for their upcoming play.

*Juno and the Paycock* will begin the theater's spring season Feb. 6-13 in Theatre West. The play is a study of modern Irish city life. It explores the union movement, the matriarchal nature of Irish family life, and the violence which runs through life in that country with the hatred between the English and the Irish and the various factions.

Cast members are Robert Larriviere of Lafayette as Captain Jack Boyle; Abby Pudlewski of Baton Rouge as Juno Boyle; Gregory John Romero of Baton Rouge as Johnny Boyle.Courtney Bailey of Pineville and Stephanie Hodgdon of Ft. Hood, Texas will share the role of Mary Boyle. Other cast members include Aaron Moreland of Marengo, Ohio as Joxer Daily; Amber Williams of BeBee, Ark. as Maisie Madigan; Jay DeFelice of Cut Off as Needle Nugent; Criquette Skelton of Lafayette as Mrs. Tancred; Jeff Williams of Cincinnati as Jerry Devine and Doug Lowry of Natchitoches as Charlie Bentham.

Also in the cast are: Dustin Snyder of Shreveport as an irregular mobilizer; Keith Campbell of Kenner as the first irregular; Chet Tucker of Dodson as the second irregular; Aimee Lasseigne of Raceland as a coal-block vendor; Allison deLeon of Innis as a sewing machine saleswoman and the second neighbor, Bo Allen of Natchitoches as the first furniture man; Jason Cheek of Kenner as the second furniture man and Andrea Conque of Abbeville as the first neighbor.



**Stephanie Hodgdon, (left) of Ft. Hood, Robert Larriviere of Lafayette, Abby Pudlewski of Baton Rouge, Greg Romero of Baton Rouge and Doug Lowery of Natchitoches practice their lines for the upcoming production of the *Juno and the Paycock*. Sean O'Casey's play will run Feb. 5-13. The play is the study of modern Irish city life.**

PHOTO BY JONATHAN WALLACE

## Debate team begins year with several wins

Northwestern's debate team began its spring tournaments at the University of Southern California, Dec 28-30. It was the largest tournament of the year with almost 70 teams competing.

The team of Sherry Barnett, sophomore English major, and James Roland, freshman business major, advanced into the elimination rounds before dropping out in the round of 32.

The team of Todd Garrison, sophomore mathematics major, and Jeremy Talton, sophomore political science major made it into the elimination rounds where they defeated their opponents in the first four elimination rounds. They advanced all the way to the final round where they lost to the University of Missouri at Kansas City in a close debate.

This made Garrison and Talton the second place team in the largest tournament of the year. "It was quite an accomplishment," Todd Graham, director of debate, said. "Todd and Jeremy have been debating better than I ever expected. This tournament was a phenomenal accomplishment."

This semester's topic is that the United States should develop the oceans. The team began by taking a three day research trip to LSU in Baton Rouge. They then put all their work together before going home for Christmas. "It is a significant amount of work," Graham said "Each student put in over a hundred hours of work before we hit the road for our first tournament."

The team then debated at California State University in Long Beach Jan. 2-4. This tournament also had around 70 teams. Barnett and Roland made it into elimination rounds before falling to a team from Lewis and Clark University. Garrison and Talton advanced as the third-ranked team and finally dropped in the quarter final debate, but not before beating two different teams from Cornell University.

Awards were also given for the top speakers at the tournament, and Garrison won the third best speaker award. One final award was presented for the best teams at both USC and CSULB combined. Garrison and Talton won the second place trophy.

The debate team then traveled to Kansas State University where Garrison and Talton had been asked to attend a special invitation-only tournament which consisted of a total of eight teams. Garrison and Talton finished third.

At Kansas State's open invitation tournament on Jan. 13-16, Garrison and Talton finished third once again while Barnett and Roland finished fifth. Barnett was awarded the sixth best speaker award.

## Space science group to begin electronic field trips

The Space Science Group at Northwestern is developing a series of electronic field trips to address problems and topics in space science under a grant from the Louisiana Space Consortium.

These electronic field trips will be produced at the University and distributed to middle schools around the state for use in science classes.

"Electronic field trips are an innovative way to promote interest in mathematics and science by using space science," Dr. Austin Temple, director of the Division of Mathematics and Science, said. "Space science was selected because of its high visibility. Through our work we have seen that space science is an effective way to reach children and help develop an interest in math and science."

Production crews from the Univeristy will go to Martin Marietta Manned Space Systems at the Michoud Assembly Facility in New Orleans and the Stennis Space Center to show the work taking place at each facility. Another video will feature Louisiana natives who have played a role in the space program.

As part of the program, curriculum material will be developed for teachers to accompany the video. The material will address unique problems and topics in space science. Northwestern's work with NASA (JOVE) through its Joint Venture Program will also be discussed. Northwestern scientists will discuss their ongoing NASA research projects.

For more information on the electronic field trips, contact the Space Science Group at 357-5186 or 1-800-259-9555.

## Employers plan hiring increases, campus visits

Employers plan to hire more college graduates this year than they did last year, according to a recent survey by the College Placement Council.

Overall, respondents project hiring 4.2 percent more graduates in 1994-95 than they actually hired in 1993-94.

A slightly higher number of employers plan on recruiting for job candidates at college and university campuses. More than 34 percent of the employers responding to the survey plan to increase the number of campuses they will visit, while 40 percent plan to maintain the same number of scheduled visits as last year. Only 23 percent of the employers plan to visit fewer campuses this year.

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# Historic preservation classes give students interesting alternatives

## Designer of new historic preservation major plans to teach with examples

LEONARDO CECCHINI
*Current Sauce*

Dr. Lauren Taves, hired in August to design a minor in historic preservation, has created new courses and developed a program that is ready to begin.

Taves has designed six classes that will be essential for a minor in Historic Preservation: *American architecture before 1860, materials conservation methods, methods and concepts of historic preservation, American architecture after 1860, the history of building technology, recording and analyzing the built environment.*

*American architecture after 1860, history of building technology* and *recording/analyzing the built environment* are being taught this semster.

Taves doesn't want her classes to be boring, so she will bring her own material to the class.

"If I am going to talk about brick houses during class, I will bring a brick to show them." She will also try to visit different sites, show slides and, of course, lecture.

Northwestern seems to be fully committed to the project; they have developed new classes, a new laboratory, and they have bought all the material necessary.

"When I came here, there were no courses regarding historic preservation at all," Taves said. "Maybe a little something in some of Pete Gregory's archaeology classes, but not much at all."

Taves hopes to shift more focus on preservation.

"My goal this year is to bring up the preservation aspect to the students, the community and the staff members," she said. "With the new classes, I hope to draw the attention of people from other fields of study, maybe from the fields of architecture and technological science."

Taves also wants to create a link with The National Center for Preservation Technology and Training. This group is located on the first floor of Kyser Hall and could help her students have a hands-on experience with the Center's different projects.

Anyone interested in signing up for the classes (only to save a spot on the roster) can do so in the Social Science Department on the third floor of Kyser.

For more information call Taves at 357-4103.

# THE DEMON 91.7 ON NORTHWESTERN'S WAVELENGTH

## Campus radio station reflects NSU's tastes

BRIDGETTE M. MORVANT
*Current Sauce*

The Demon, 91.7 FM KNWD, Northwestern's student radio station began broadcasting this semester at 6 a.m. yesterday and Jeff Burkett, general manager, is confident that this semester will be one of the station's most successful.

"But with the staff we have and the management and with the training we have and with the experience that we have on the air, I think it's going to be probably one of the best semesters in the history of this radio station," Burkett said.

Another reason for success cited by Burkett was the station's expanded library of new music of all types. "Our programming is now geared towards newer stuff," he said. "We still offer classics in rock and alternative and urban, but you're going to be hearing a lot more of the new bands and new stuff from old bands."

While Burkett said listeners can hear a mixture of music styles from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m., The Demon will present several different specialty shows in the evenings.

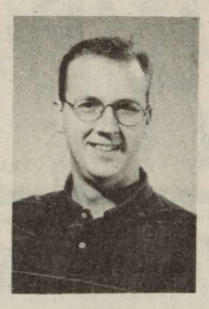
The Demon has added some new specialty shows to the traditional heavy metal rock 'n' roll show. One of the new shows, according to Burkett, features urban music with a positive message and is hosted by Mick Dorsey.

Another show about which Burkett is excited is Club 917 which will air on Thursdays from 9 p.m. to midnight. "It [Club 917] will be on Thursday evenings and we are planning on going to the different clubs here in town and broadcasting live," he said. "You know, because Thursday night is the big night when people are getting ready to go out." The music played on each show will be geared towards the particular club featured, according to Burkett. The show will either be hosted live from the club or from the studio and the various clubs will be featured more than once.

"You know [we're] trying to get people more aware with the Natchitoches scene, so we don't have the suitcases. We want to get people to try and stay around, go out, have fun, live as they should in college — which is not dangerous — but they should enjoy it."

In addition to specialty shows, Demon listeners can also tune in to hear popular radio personalities from last semester, according to Burkett. Among those scheduled for the semester are the Cajun Trio, Harley and Killer, and DJ Double A. Burkett also noted that the station will be one the air 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

One feature which will not be back this spring is the weekly news program, *The Weekly Wrap Up*, offered every Friday at noon last semester. That program was presented by students in a broadcast news production class, which is not offered this semester. However, students in a broadcast announcing class will be gaining hands-on experience in a non-news show from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Thursdays.



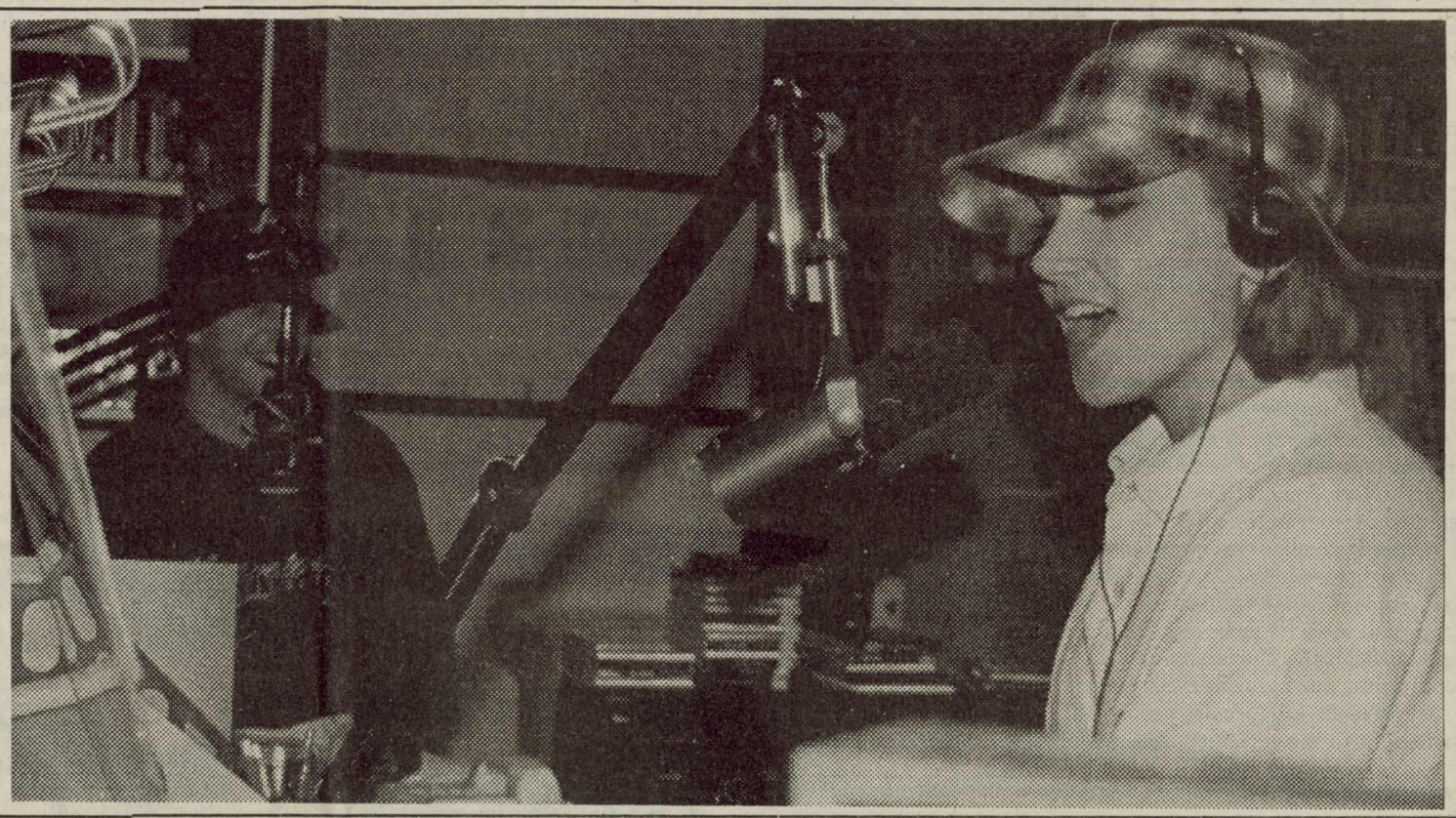
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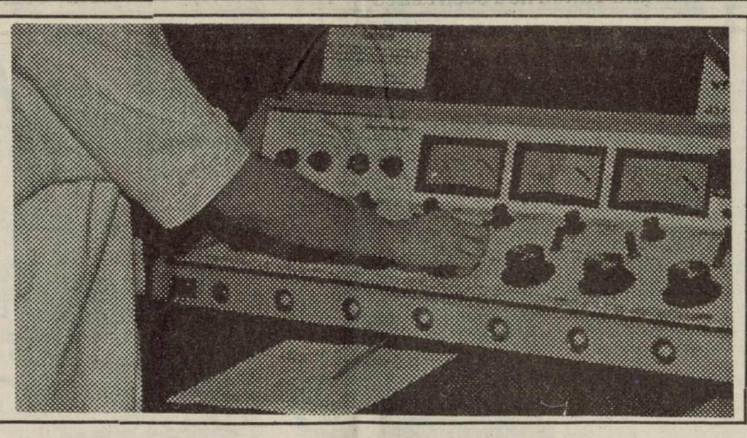
The Demon will still offer news, in addition to public service announcements. The new news show will consist of stories from abroad, provided by an Associated Press wire service, and campus-oriented news. "We're always looking for people who need experience in reading news or [people] with news-gathering abilities to stop by," Burkett said.

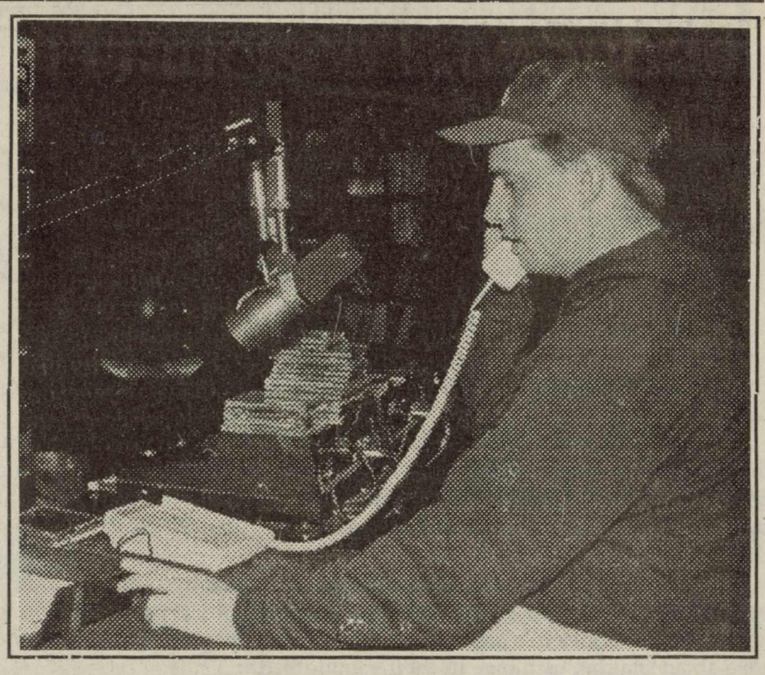
Assisting Burkett in the running of The Demon is his hand-picked staff of directors. They include Mark Ridle, programming director; Bill Gladish, personnel director; Joe Weinmunson, alternative music director; Antoine Lane, urban music director; Buddy Wolfarth, rock music director; and Vernassa Fields, news director.

"We've got a great staff lined up," Burkett said. "And, as always for campus information and happenings give us a listen. It's just going to be a good semester and I hope everyone enjoys it."

Students having questions about the station should stop by The Demon in South Hall (near Turpin Stadium) or call at 357-5693 (studio) or 357-4108 (office).







**(top) Brandi Brammer a.k.a. "Harley" and Adam Fulton announce their next song during a fill-in show yesterday afternoon. (right) Adam takes on of The Demon's many request calls. (left) Affectionately known as the "board" this one piece of equipment is the control center for an entire radio show.**

PHOTOS BY BRIDGETTE MORVANT

# DJs infuse personality into student radio station

MIRANDA COON
*Current Sauce*

Despite some changes in format, the interesting characters serve as disk jockeys at The Demon 91.7 FM remain constant.

This semester DJs will have to accustom themselves to playing a mix of new music from rock, urban and alternative formats instead of specializing in one format at a time.

The DJs still select their own music but are recommended to follow a guide to help add variety of music to The Demon. DJs can play classic as well as current and alternative rock and urban, which consists of rap, R & B, reggae and gospel.

Another format change is the absence of two hour shifts. Airwave time for this semester will be allotted only in three hour shifts, with the exception of overnight, which is a six hour shift (12 p.m. to 6 a.m.).

The Demon provides students who are interested in pursuing a career in broadcast journalism an opportunity to gain on-air experience while still in school. However, the reasons why students choose to get out on the airwaves. Some like the opportunity to express their views and personalities.

"We try to be different and our own individual," said Kenny W, a member of the former Trinity, who along with Infinity Man and Blondie will not be returning to the Demon this semester.

For some radio is a family tradition. "It runs in my family," Blondie said. "My father was a DJ and my grandfather owns a radio station in Port Allen, La. I wanted to continue the tradition."

> "We do this to have fun and whaterver else happens is not our fault." **"Uncle" Tait Martin, The Cajun Trio**

Other DJs have less familial reasons for joining The Demon staff. "We do this to have fun and whatever else happens is not our fault," "Uncle" Tait Martin, a member of The Cajun Trio, said.

The Cajun Trio, composed of Martin, Marc C. Kimball and Kris "Konan the Librarian" Gaudet, were taken off the air last semester because of playing questionable material, but after President Robert Alost received over 80 phone calls in their favor, they were restored to their show. The Trio returns to the airwaves for this semester on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 6 a.m. to 9 a.m.

# Student gumshoes unravel cases for class credit at San Francisco Law School

MARCO BUSCAGLIA
*College Press Service*

SAN FRANCISCO—Just the facts.

That's what students at the University of San Francisco Law School are seeking, and they're looking in more places than their textbooks and case law briefs.

They're out on the streets, unraveling the who's who and what's what in assault, murder and carjacking cases. Professor Bruce Talbot has been running a detective agency from the USF Law School for the past two years.

"Most of what a lawyer has to do deal with is facts," he said. "Since the law is pretty concrete, the better lawyers will not only have a strong grasp of the legal system, but a good understanding of how to pursue those facts, and then use them to their client's advantage."

Talbot, a former criminal trial lawyer, said that today's law schools fail to teach their students how to pursue the facts. "If you want to do all you can for client in terms of defense or prosecution, you need to be able to come up with additional information," Talbot said. "Students should know how to be their own private investigators."

To help them, Talbot began a investigation class at USF which focused on surveillance tips, phone tapping, questioning methods and other aspects of investigation that will help benefit students.

"We would study different methods and then try them out on our own," Maria Mohiuddin, a USF law student, said. "Sometimes we would pick people at random and follow them for a couple of hours. I learned to notice every little thing, every detail, because what seems like nothing at the moment might end up being a big deal."

Mohiuddin also felt that it was nice to get out of the classroom. "Compared to most classes, where you sit and look at a book for an hour, it was really enjoyable," she said.

But not as enjoyable as the next phase of the investigation procedure, said Mohiuddin, when she and other students took their knowledge to the streets — this time for real.

When Talbot first began teaching the class, he heard a news story on staff shortages within the San Francisco County public defender's office. A few phone calls later, Talbot had his class signed up to help investigate county cases.

"We offered them trained investigators for free," Talbot said. "It was a good move for both of us."

So after completing the investigations class, students participated in the investigations clinic, where they were paired off and assigned to public defenders. The students then were given various cases to work on, which included assaults, carjackings and murders.

One of Mohiuddin's "clients" was a man accused of beating a police officer. Joined by her partner, the she went to visit friends and relatives of the defendant, looking for character references and testimony to back up his alibi. "We basically asked a lot of questions," Mohiuddin said. "Most people were pretty cooperative."

But not everyone. "Then we would get our information and get out," Mohiuddin said. "We were pretty careful."

Brian Moss is currently participating in the investigation clinic. He said that the experience will be helpful to him when he begins practicing law. "Most times lawyers work with police reports and other standard sources of information," Moss said. "This proves that there's a lot more information you can get. You just have to know how to do it."

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# Greeks make positive contributions

## Negative stereotypes must be dispelled before Greek system fades away



**Andrew**Martin

The Bottom Line

Greeks are a dying breed these days. In some areas greek organizations are being run out of town, the subject of vicious criticism. In others, chapters are disappearing due to waning interest, a very real national trend. It is almost impossible to hear something positive about a fraternity of sorority these days. It seems that everything you hear about them deals with a hazing incident that caused a death or how fraternity "x" got into a brawl with fraternity "y" over a sorority girlfriend. Not everything that goes on in the fraternity world is negative and I hope that occasionally in my column this semester I can dispel some of those bad images that have been created in recent times.

I have decided to attack this issue because I have recently been elected president of my fraternity. I didn't realize how much of a dilemma was facing the greek system nationally and here at NSU until I attended a Greek Council meeting here on campus.

The Greek Council is a board comprised of fraternity and sorority presidents who serve in an advisory capacity to the University. This meeting was really an eye opener for me because the main topic of discussion was "How can we improve our relations with the rest of the student body and with the city"? This sounds innocent enough on paper, but there is a real sense of urgency on that topic. It is a feeling that says "If we don't move quickly and effectively now, we may not get a second chance." I really feel that this gradual decline in fraternities and sororities is bad for everyone. It seems that no one wants to admit that the Greek system has its benefits, for both members and the community.

Almost all Greek organizations have a nationalphilanthropy that the individual chapters conduct fund raisers for. No, these philanthropies are not Coors, Budweiser, or the Jack Daniels distillery. They are major national organizations such as the Muscular Dystrophy Association, Saint Jude's Research and Childrens Hospitals and the March of Dimes.

My fraternity also donates time to local churches to help clean up the grounds and decorate for Christmas. No one wants to talk about that aspect of Greek life for some reason.

Greeks tend to put more of an emphasis on academics than other organizations do. Most organizations tend to have an "animal house" image just because they are Greek. A lot of those same "party first, study later" organizations also have mandatory study halls for pledges and initiated members who did not make their grades.

In many of these organizations known just for their parties, members below a certain grade point average may not attend functions without first attending a set amount of study hall hours. College isn't like being at home. Mommy won't make you study at night here, but your fraternity or sorority just might.

Hopefully some people out there will realize that the Greek system is not entirely made up of untold horrors and activities that result solely in hazing deaths, injuries and drunk driving convictions. The Greek system has much to offer everyone, even non-members, and everyone needs to see this before the American institution of collegiate Greek life fades away.

# GUNS+PEOPLE=?

## People continue to miss point of issue while more are killed

The shooting of a Northwestern anthropology student last week has brought to our attention again the problem that guns are becoming in today's society—and on campus.

Northwestern has had at least two incidents in the past year in which students were caught carrying firearms on campus. In both cases, the discovery was made accidentally. On one occasion the even gun went off in class. A short time later, police charged the owner of the gun with attempted murder in the drive-by shooting of an elderly woman.

We need to realize that guns don't present a solution to crime, they only create a bigger problem. Carrying them for "protection" is dangerous and illegal. Students should know that there are other forms of protection open to them that are a lot more reliable. For example, self-defense classes are taught through the University and the city. And other weapons such as mace and stun guns provide a safer, more practical defense against attack.

"Guns don't kill people, people kill people," is one of the slogans associated with the argument over gun regulation. And, to an extent, this is true. Personal responsibility is one aspect of today's society that is consistently overlooked. The only problem with personal responsibility is that its importance must be instilled in a person—preferably from a young age.

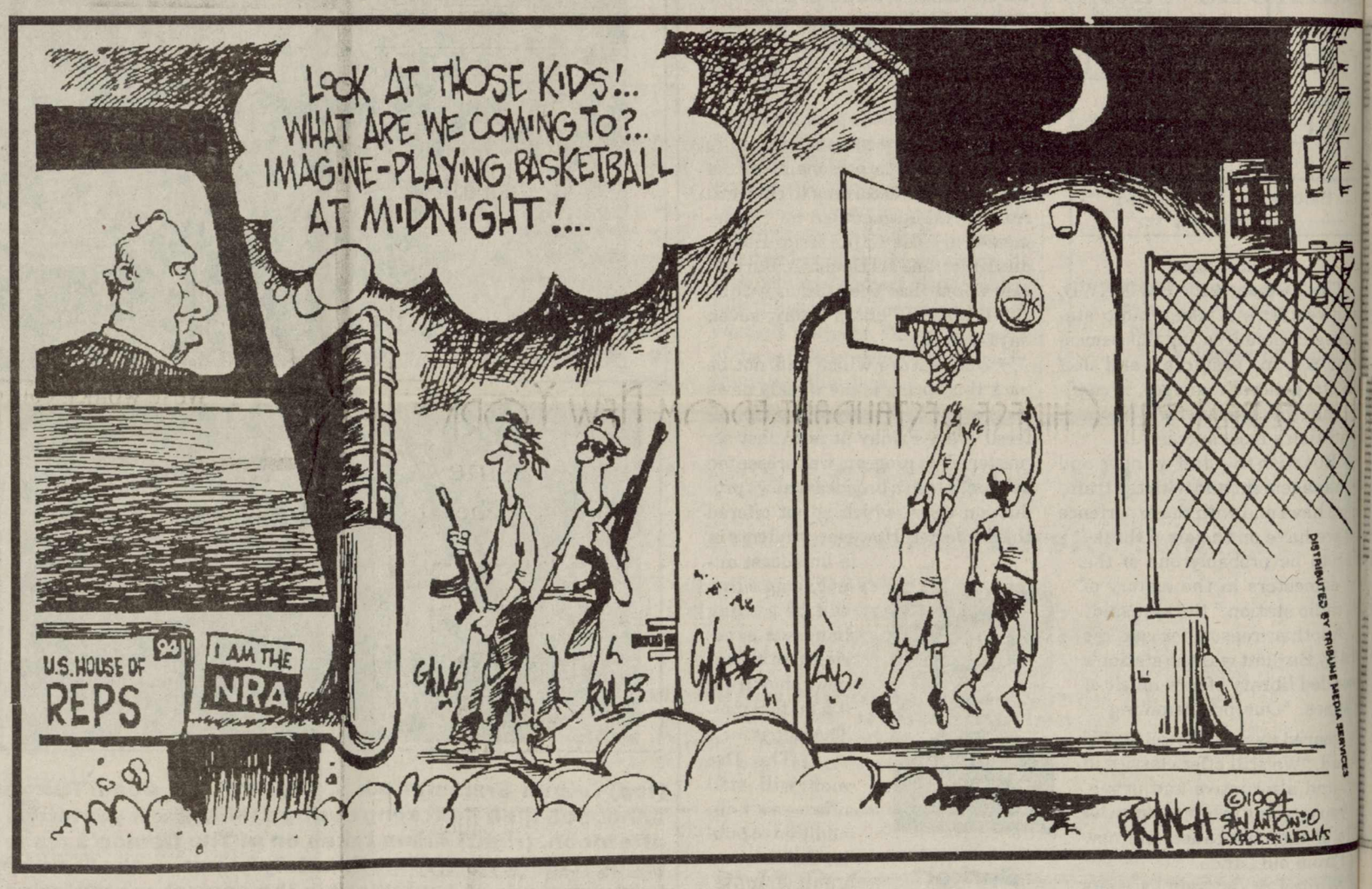
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Respect for guns is one of those things taught to many children in rural areas. They are taught that guns are to be used for hunting, self defense and little else. Likewise, respect for guns and what they can do has to be taught to the people of larger cities and towns where guns are really not even needed.

One of the ways to do this is to implement prevention programs such as midnight basketball. In this, potential offenders are given the option to spend their energies in a positive way, under the supervision of people who care about making a change in their communities.

Ironically, the same people who believe guns should not be regulated also attack these programs in deference to more prisons for offenders.

With well over half of all prison inmates coming back to their cells at some time, it's time we realized that prison alone won't cure the problem. And, while programs aimed at getting potential offenders off the street won't necessarily cure the problem at its root, it costs a lot less than feeding, clothing and housing an inmate for years upon years and there is still the possibility that one volunteer in one of these programs just might touch a life and show a child the way things can be.




# 'Nazi' loses meaning through modern use

## Word better describes Religious Right and Limbaugh than feminists and liberals



**Madelyn**Boudreaux

Banana Notes

On January 27th, 1945, Russian troops liberated the death camp at Auschwitz, Poland, one of the most gruesome of the Nazi strongholds.

For the prisoners who survived — Jews, Jehovah's Witnesses, gypsies, homosexuals, criminals, and political dissidents — this marked the end of the war on their beliefs. They never escaped from the hell of the concentration camps, and many who survived the camps later committed suicide.

Now, fifty years later, those who escaped death at the hands of Nazis, and survived the inner hell that such abuse can cause, have become integrated into late-twentieth century life. We may meet them and never know that they are survivors of the Holocaust.

Our images of Nazi-occupied Europe are mostly the media's images, from *Hogan's Heroes* to *Schindler's List*. We have vague ideas of jack boots on the stair, of shaven heads and emaciation. Of the Nazis, we imagine tailored black uniforms, cruel mustaches and wire-rimmed glasses. They are faceless monsters.

Lately, however, the word Nazi has been thrown around, applied to anyone who the accuser doesn't like, doesn't agree with. Those who are still tattooed by serial numbers must surely see the bitter irony of this branding of political dissidents and people with strong and vocal beliefs. During World War II, as the Allies fought the Axis forces, school children in America weighed the two main enemies, asking each other, "Would you rather be a Jap or a Germ."

To have called a fellow American a Nazi would have been a very serious affront, perhaps even worse than calling someone a communist was in 1955. Even in the early 1980's, a Nazi was a follower of Hitler's ideology, and nothing else. It was not a cute insult.

All this seemed to change when Rush Limbaugh lashed out from radios across America, calling women who seek such reforms as equal pay for equal work, "feminazis."

Limbaugh hit a nerve with right-leaning Americans with that phrase, and he must have hit an artery at the same time, because Nazi has become synonymous with every seemingly dissident ideology to come along.

Many liberals struck back, determined to take back the word which they couldn't conceive as being appropriate for a left-wing group — after all, the Nazi party was truly the extreme right wing in its ideology.

Every conservative politician who could be linked to a racist statement or one against women, or against art, was a "Nazi."

People even toss the word at their friends — I recently heard a man laughingly accuse his friends of having been "CD Nazis" on a trip, because they wouldn't play his favorite Nine Inch Nails album. "Computer Nazis" won't take a break so you can print your essay in the lab; "Vege-Nazis" don't eat meat, and suggest that vegetable soup might be better for a common cold than chicken-noodle.

If you don't like the grade you got on that last test, just tell your friends that your professor is a Nazi who insists that you show up for class and study; they will sympathize.

Throwing around such a word dilutes history and insults those who were tortured by Nazis in concentration camps across Europe. It distorts the memory of the soldiers and prisoners who died at the hands of Hitler's troops.

Certainly many groups who hold severe political opinions can be compared, superficially, to the Nazi Party. The Religious Right's railing against homosexuals, non-Christians, and "subversive"art can be compared to the early Nazi party after all, in the Weimar Republic that immediately preceded Nazi Germany, homosexuality and shocking artistic experimentation in Dada was rampant, and Hitler quickly rid his country of such influences.

Anyone who seriously advocates the dividing of men and women into separate classes for the betterment of women could be accused of imitating Nazi paranoia about the evil "other," since one major political weapon Nazis had against the Jewish people in Germany was the idea that these Jews had an impossibly strong economic upper-hand.

These comparisons can serve as useful propaganda against groups with whom we don't agree; however, as we use the word Nazi to describe anyone we think may be oppressing us, even slightly, we take away some of the meaning of the real word.

We replace the anonymous Nazi creep with the potentially sympathetic faces of the religious or the earnest.

There may have been a few Nazis like Schindler who were really nice guys behind the Swastika, but the members of the Nazi party made their choices and they don't need or deserve our sympathy.

We learn history, as anyone can tell you, so we don't repeat it.

When we, as a society, believe that Nazis were monsters or, at the very least, brainwashed zombies, we were unlikely to repeat their mistakes. Theirs are mistakes we don't want to repeat.

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# ROBOTS: Louisiana School students participate in contest

*Continued from front page*

According to Villavaso, U.S. First provides a kit of parts to begin which usually consist of an old printer and hand drills. "There is a limited list of things we can buy on our own," he said. "It is limited by quantity, not cost."

The robot can not weigh more than 70 pounds and must fit into a cylinder 36 inches in diameter and 30 inches in height.

According to Villavaso, the robot is still in the process of being designed. "We've come up with a lay out, "Kristi Caramardelle, a senior Louisiana School student from West Wego, said. "We are going to work on exact design."

There are two regional contests in New Hampshire and North Carolina and a national contest in Florida. The Louisiana School will go to the national tournament March 30 at the Epcot Center at Walt Disney World in Orlando.

Despite the long hours of hard work, Caramardelle enjoys the experience. "There's a lot to learn," she said. "It's a unique experience."

This is the first time the Louisiana School has participated in the contest. "Hopefully we'll win," he said. "The competition will be keen. This is our first time, so we'll be feeling our way through this."




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# Magnolia Grille: good food, pleasant atmosphere

REVIEW

Troy Dean Conkle
*Current Sauce*

Entering the Magnolia Grille you immediately feel welcome. The name itself is an indicator of the Southern hospitality you will experience. And, the food is good also.

Many of the tables are placed close to each other so local gossip is just an earshot away. Don't forget the prompt service.

I would have to say the Magnolia Grille has a big draw to a large majority of Northwestern's students, with their claim of the coldest beer in town. Man cannot live on beer alone.

My lunch choice, the chopped sirloin ($6.95), is a large piece of chopped steak smothered in onions and and brown gravy. The chopped steak was possibly the best I have tasted in the area.

The meal starts with a salad, which had very few vegetables except the lettuce itself. The lunch includes your choice of two vegetables. I chose mashed potatoes and carrots. Try the mashed potatoes, they taste like they were made from scratch.

The special of the day was baby back ribs ($9.95), a fair size rack of ribs, smothered in barbecue sauce. The ribs were good, but not worth the price. If you have the money try a rack because this is the only place to get them in Natchitoches.

The dinner menu had plenty of variety. I chose to stick with a sandwich. My choice, the French dip sandwich ($4.95), is a roast beef sandwich served au jus.

Where's the beef? That's my question. The sandwich was served with only two slices of roast beef, barely enough to taste through the large kaiser roll. The sandwich was served with an order of fries, and at most a disappointment.

Desert choices included cheese cake ($2.25), fried pies, ($2.25) and my choice bread pudding ($1.95).

They say you are only as good as your last try. Wow, it tasted homemade and made my day.

At the Magnolia Grille, the last bite you have is your best

# Comic book class no laughing matter

## *Class studies American culture and social issues*

Marco Buscaglia
*College Press Service*

IOWA CITY—University of Iowa senior Bill Keenan has been reading comic books for years. "Even before it became trendy," he said. And despite the importance he places on the genre, Keenan realized that what he read for pleasure and what he read for the sake of academia were two different things.

That is until something caught his eye when he was registering for classes this semester. In the UI course catalog was a listing for *comic books in American culture*, a course in the school's American Studies program.

"I was skimming through the American Studies classes, and it just kind of jumped out at me," Keenan said. "Most people who read comic books don't sit around with other people talking about it, so I figured this kind of class would be pretty cool."

The course is taught by its originator, Matt Pustz, a graduate assistant in the American Studies program.

Pustz said that comic books play an important part in an understanding of Americana. "I think it's important for academics to look at all aspects of American culture, and comic books should be included in that," he said. "If you only look at certain things, you may be missing out on a whole chapter of what's important to a lot of people and important to various movements in history."

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>
> **Matt Pustz**

*Comic books in American culture* is divided into three sections. First, the class looks at various methods for analyzing comics by reading numerous perspectives on pop culture and literary theory. Pustz then uses comic books to illustrate the changes in the history of American culture before looking at the illustration of contemporary issues.

"There's a lot of material," said Pustz, who says that required reading for the course ranges from early *Superman* comics to the more-contemporary *Love and Rockets*. "I think that a lot of students are surprised by the history of the genre in general."

According to Pustz, comic books may differ in form and content from poems and novels, but the underlying message is the same. "It's another way to tell a story," he said. "Comic books say a lot about us because they consist of stories that we tell. Those stories tell a lot about us."

John Herndon, assistant manager of Comic Relief in Chicago, said that today's comic buyers aren't just 12-year-olds in baseball caps. "We get a lot of students that come in here. In fact, college students are usually our best customers," Herndon said. "A lot more of today's comic books are adult-oriented, so our customer base has become pretty diverse."

And while Herndon said that comic books have always been popular, he acknowledges that the medium has seen a resurgence thanks to popular films. "After *The Crow* came out, a whole new audience came in here to see the comic book that the movie was based on," Herndon said. "People then develop a following not only to the series but the creator as well."

Keenan, who calls his taste in comics "more alternative than X-Men-ish," said the class discussions often start out focused on comic books, but rarely stay there.

"We've probably been through every 'ism' there is," Keenan said. "But since a lot of comic books deal with racism, sexism and other social issues, it's inevitable. The content of the comic book is usually the starting point for the conversation, and then it just grows from there. And that's probably exactly what the creator intended."

# ComputerCorner

Marco Buscaglia
*College Press Service*

BERKELEY, Calif.—Refererences in the Buddhist canon which once scholars decades to document now take only minutes, thanks to an Asian Languages professor at professor at the Univesity of California Berkeley.

Lewis Lancaster has helped put all 115 volumes of the Pali versio the Buddhist canon, which encompasses more than 52,000 pages of text a single CD-ROM.

"Buddhism has the largest canon in the world," Lancaster said. other religion has anything comparable." The Buddhist canon is "a sophisticated group of documents," he said. It includes the words attribu to the Buddha as well as 2,000 years worth of written commentary monks, which includes history, biographies, poems and texts of philoso and logic.

The Pali Buddhist writings are not the first religious texts to computerized. The Bible and Talmud, both much smaller than the Budd canon, have been available on CD-ROM for several years. Although canon comes in several languages, the first electronic canon has been d in Pali, which is used by the Theravada Buddhists of South and South Asia.

"We've been burdened with the inability to deal very effectively w this material because it is so massive," Lancaster said. "The undertaki studying the canon is something so large that it previously couldn't be d within one's lifetime."

The CD-ROM will soon be available in the United States for $299. comparison, a bound edition of the 115-volume Pali canon costs appro mately $12,000. With the new CD-ROM, Lancaster said that scholars lift key words or phrases from various pages in just seconds.

A Berkeley graduate student recently spent four months searching the word "patience" in a small portion of the Pali canon. He later used disk for the same purpose and found the word almost immediately.

Meanwhile, Lancaster was able to find seven of the earliest referen to the Chinese name used for the Buddhist canon in just 22 secon Previously, one of Lancaster's colleagues in Japan had found only th instances in his 40 years of research.

According to Lancaster, individuals also will be able to complete alphabetical listing of all words contained in the Pali canon in a few hou including references to the various places each word is located. That sa concordance has yet to be accomplished after more than 50 years of work a group of Buddhist scholars.

The original Pali version of the Buddhist canon has been kept centuries on the surface of palm leaves. Computer entry of the material w done by more than 80 typists at Mahidol University in Bangkok. T individuals worked on the project as a gift for the King of Thailand's 60 birthday.

Although scanning the canon text into a computer system would ha saved thousands of hours of work, Lancaster persuaded fellow Buddh scholars to type the text in instead. The proofreading techniques that foll the initial typing may seem intense (each page is checked five times accuracy), but Lancaster feels they are necessary to preserve the intent the original work.

Lancaster is a member of the Electronic Buddhist Text Initiative worldwide association of monks, nuns and scholars who are committed bringing the various ancient sacred texts into a modern, easy-to-hand format. In addition to the Pali project, the group also is working with mon and scholars across the world to preserve other rare Buddhist texts.


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# IM basketball begins with jamboree Thursday

With a new basketball season beginning this semester for the first time ever, the Department of Leisure Activities and Recreational Sports plans to hold intramural competitive basketball leagues beginning Jan. 26.

This spring, intramural basketball leagues will feature men's and women's open divisions, a men's Greek division, a men's dorm division, and a co-rec division.

A new division, the men's six-foot-and-under division, will also be in competition.

A team captain's meeting for all divisions will be held at 6 p.m. Wednesday in Rm. 114 of the IM/Rec Building. All those interested in team basketball need to have a team representative in attendance at this meeting.

The basketball jamboree is scheduled for Thursday, with league play beginning Monday.

Men's play will be held in the PE Majors' Building with women and co-rec play being held in the IM/Rec Building.

Basketball events for cash awards have begun with preliminaries for the Hot Shot contest and Long Distance Shootout going on daily in the IM/Rec Building.

Low impact aerobics classes are now in progress Monday through Thursday beginning at 4:30 p.m. in the intramural gym with step aerobics classes being held each evening Monday-Thursday at 8:00 p.m.

The Intramural Fitness Center is now open daily from 6:00 a.m.-8:00 a.m. and noon-9 p.m. Monday-Thursday. The center closes at 4 p.m. Friday and is open from 2-6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

The center features airdyne bicycles, stairmasters, rowing ergs, a variety of free standing universal machines, free weights and dumbbells.

For information regarding any recreational sports program, contact the Department of Leisure Activities and Recreational Sports at 357-5461.

# LADY DEMONS: Big win at SFA

*Continued from back page*

SFA at 33 going into the locker room. The junior point guard finished the contest with a career-high 24 points on nine of 17 shooting, six rebounds, and five assists.

"We never got down on ourselves," Shaw said. "We played really bad at Sam Houston but we spent all day today fired up, even in practice. I kept telling everyone to just take this one from the heart. We did this for ourselves and for our team."

The Lady Demons started the game cold and fell behind early, allowing the Ladyjacks to jump out to an early lead for most of the first half. After battling back to tie SFA at 12, Northwestern came up on the short end of a 19-8 and were staring at an 11-point, 31-20 deficit with five minutes remaining in the half.

But Shaw caught fire, following a Cynthia Brown bucket with a basket of her own and a three-pointer to bring the Lady Demons to within six, 33-27.

The Lady Demons ran off six straight in the final 2:30 of the half to fight to a tie after the first 20 minutes.

Garner took over in the second half, despite a tender ankle injured in practice Sunday. She scored 10 of Northwestern's 20 points during a six-minute stretch of the final half, which saw four ties and four lead changes. When Shaw hit a basket to make the score 66-65 in favor of the Lady Demons, Northwestern never trailed the rest of the way.

"We were all scared when Joskeen when down in practice," Shaw said of the tense moments Sunday after Garner's injury. "But things happen like that and you've just got to keep going. She came in and she's not the one to quit. She did all she had to do...you just can't stop her."

The Lady Demons begin a four-game home stretch Thursday against UT-San Antonio after having gained the upper hand in the race for the regular season title and top berth in the postseason tournament. "This meant everything to us," Shaw said. "Hopefully can keep up the intensity. Maybe things can go our way."

## **Campus** Connection

**tudent Activities Board**

The Student Activities Board as openings. Students interested ust have an overall 2.0 GPA and 5 completed credit hours to apply. pplications may be picked up in m. 214 of the Student Union and ill be accepted until 11 a.m. Monay.

Also, *Mask* is this week's SAB ovie. Movies are shown three times week in The Alley. Contact the AB office for details.

**Open Forum**

There will be an Open Forum to discuss the goals and objectives of our University as part of the SACS study. The Open Forum will be from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Feb. 3 in Studio A (Rm. 142), Kyser Hall. Please make arrangements to attend one of the sessions.

**Blue Key**

Applications for potential new members will be available beginning tomorrow and will be due by noon Feb 24. Applications may be picked up in either Rm. 214 or Rm. 309 of the Student Union and may be returned in the same places.

All applications must be typed. Requirements for membership include 60 semester hours, 2.6 cumulative GPA, and membership in two organizations while holding an office in at least one organization. For additional information, please contact Clay at 352-8827.

Our next meeting will be at 6 p.m. Feb. 2 in Rm. 321 of the Student Union.

**Circle K International**

Circle K will have an informational meeting at 6 p.m. Thursday in the Student Union Faculty Lounge. Call Zeke Wetzel at 4119 with any questions.

**Alpha Lambda Delta**

Alpha Lambda Delta will have a Welcome Back Bash for all old and new members from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. tomorrow in the Home Economics Alumni Room/Living Room. Refreshments and door prizes will be available.

**Sigma Sigma Sigma**

Today is dress up day. Wear your badges. Meet at 8 p.m. in Magale Recital Hall for *Greeks on Trial*. Tomorrow, wear your letters. Thursday, support the Demon basketball players at 7:45 p.m. Saturday, support Demons against Southwest Texas at 7:45 p.m.

Sunday, don't forget the 7 p.m. meeting at the Tri Sigma house.

Don't forget to save your spare change for the Robbie Page memorial. Smile and have a great week.

**Delta Sigma Theta**

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc. will have its Spring Rush '95 on Feb. 6 at 7 p.m. in the Presidents Room of the Student Union. Those interested should send a transcript to Iota Mu Chapter NSU Box 4529. Interested ladies must have 25 semester hours and 2.5 cumulative GPA.


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# Showdown

## Garner, Shaw, Simpson lead Lady Demons in big win over Ladyjacks

DAVID WEAVER
*Current Sauce*

Round One, Northwestern.

In Monday's showdown between the preseason conference favorite Lady Demons and perennial Southland Conference champion Stephen F. Austin, the trio of Joskeen Garner, Stephanie Shaw and Angela Simpson came up big down the stretch to push Northwestern to an 87-82 victory over the Ladyjacks.

With the win, the Lady Demons jump back into first place in the SLC, at 5-1 and 10-4 overall. The Ladyjacks saw an amazing 86-game home winning streak come to an end in a game which has been built up for weeks around the conference.

The Lady Demons, who had fallen a game behind SFA in the standings following a lackluster 71-58 loss to Sam Houston Saturday, outscored the six-time defending conference champion Ladyjacks 54-49 in the second half after being down by as much as 11 in the first half.

Garner, the All-American candidate, led all scorers with 25 points on the night, with 19 coming in the second half. Garner also pulled down 15 rebounds against the Ladyjacks, who rank No. 1 in the SLC in rebounding and outboarded the Lady Demons by 14, 55-41.

Simpson came up huge down the stretch, tossing in 10 second half points and nailing three of four free throws in the final two minutes. She ended the night with 14 total points despite playing the entire second half with three fouls.

Shaw, who was coming off a miserable night shooting against Sam Houston, stepped up and led Northwestern in the game in the first half with 11 points, five of which came during a 13-2 Lady Demon run to close the first half and overtake

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## Top Demons honored



**The annual Demon Football Awards banquet was held Friday, with award winners being named from the 1994 squad that finished the season 5-6. Award winners were, from left to right: center John Dippel with the Joe Delaney Memorial Leadership Award for offense, Lester Latino Memorial Award, Demon Academic Award, and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes Award; linebacker Steve Redeaux with the Delaney Memorial Leadership Award for defense; defensive tackle Nathan Platt with Defensive MVP; and running back Clarence Matthews with Offensive MVP.**

## Barnett nabs 300th coaching victory with win

# Demons nip Sam Houston, 57-55; look for momentum in homestand

DAVID WEAVER
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Northwestern head coach J. D. Barnett has been stuck on a number the past week—the number 299.

But the Demons grabbed the first-year coach's elusive 300th career win Saturday with a nail-biting 57-55 victory over the Sam Houston State Bearkats in Huntsville, Texas.

More importantly for Northwestern, the win ends a three-game losing streak and keeps the Demons (9-6 overall, 4-3 Southland Conference) firmly in the race for an SLC Tournament berth.

"It really doesn't mean that much to me," Barnett said of his personal milestone. "I just want our team and this program to succeed."

The Demons took a big step in that direction Saturday. Trailing 44-39 with 10:38 remaining, Northwestern picked up the defensive intensity and held Sam Houston to just six points the next eight minutes.

Freshman Charlie Johnson came up big down the stretch with two three pointers and some clutch free throw shooting for the Demons, who dropped the Bearkats to 4-10 and 1-5 in the SLC.

"You've got to give these kids credit," Barnett said. "I had to put Charlie Johnson in a horrible situation for a freshman, but he's our best free throw shooter. We've got so much youth, it creates inconsistencies and some exciting basketball games."

The biggest Johnson free throw came with 11 seconds remaining and the Demons clinging to a one-point lead, 56-55. Johnson, who was subbing for an injured Keith Tisdale at the line, missed the first free throw before sinking the second.

Sam Houston brought the ball to midcourt, where the Bearkats' Quintin McCloud was called for traveling after Northwestern's Tarius Brown and Ryan Bundy applied defensive pressure.

The Demons began the game on fire, opening the contest with a 15-2 run in the first eight minutes. Northwestern hit six of its first 12 shots from the floor while limiting Sam Houston to one of 10. During the run, the Demons forced six Bearkat turnovers.

But Sam Houston roared right back with an 18-3 run in the next six minutes and took their first lead of the night on a basket by Derri Preston at the 5:53 mark of the fir half.

Following a Northweste timeout, the Demons came back wi six straight points on two baske from Brown and a bucket from J. Whittaker. After a jumper by Prest that made the score 24-22, Whittak hit a basket and free throw to pu the Demon advantage to five, 27-2 Trailer sank a bucket at the end the half after two free throws for t Bearkats from McCloud to enab Northwestern to go in at halftim with a 29-24 advantage.

Sam Houston's Mike Dilla caught fire at the beginning of th second half, scorching the net for 1 of his game-high 17 points in th opening five minutes of the hal Dillard's streak pushed the Bearkat into a 16-4 run that had the Demon trailing by seven, 40-33, with 13:5 to go in the game.

Then the Demon defense wen to work, allowing Northwestern t chip away at the Sam Houston ad vantage with 17-8 streak.

When Johnson hit a thre pointer at the 3:29 mark of the hal Northwestern had reclaimed th lead at 48-47 and would not reli quish it the rest of the way.

"This was a tremendously bi win for us," Barnett said. "We had t split this week's series (road game at Stephen F. Austin and Sam Hous ton). We would have liked to hav had two wins, but we got one and w had to at least have that. This was must win."

Barnett described the Demon effort coming out of a blowout loss Stephen F. Austin Thursday "blue-collar."

"This was a blue-collar baske ball game, a real struggle for us," said. "We got in foul trouble in th first half with Tarius and J. R. an ended up having to rotate ther We're awfully small and they trie to pound us inside. We had to piec it together, possession by posse sion, down the stretch, but we fi nally got it done."

Brown led the Demons with 1 points and pulled down seven re bounds, and Chris Trailer added 1 points and nine boards.

Barnett praised the play Trailer, whose playing time has bee shrinking of late due to inconsisten play.

"It's been very frustrating fo both Chris and I," Barnett said the senior from Aurora, CO. "I thin Chris can help our basketball team I just can't get him to play with th kind of emotion and firepower tha he has to play with for him to b effective. He's one of the best offen sive players on our team. Tonight he made some big shots and the nin rebounds is a good night's work i anybody's game."

The Demons now enter a cru cial stretch run leading up to th conference tournament in March Northwestern plays its next fou games at home in Prather Coliseum with UT-San Antonio and South west Texas coming in Thursday and Saturday.

Barnett is hoping for big crowds during the homestand, which should prove pivotal to the Demons earning an upper level playoff berth in the tournament.

"I hope a lot of our fans will come out and watch us play," he said. "We really need a sixth man to cheer us on. We need everybody's help to get over the hump."

With Saturday's win, the hump may have just gotten a bit smaller.

# Demons benefit from 'second choice' of bigger schools

DAVID WEAVER
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As a high school senior, Ryan Bundy led his team to a 25-5 record, regional title, and No.3 state ranking in Illinois.

This doesn't include the fact that he was named Honorable Mention Class 2A All-State by the Associated Press, nor the honor of All-State Third Team by the Illinois Basketball Coaches Association.

Throw in an appearance in the Illinois Class 2A All-Star Game, as well as graduating 10th in a high school class of 260 students, and Bundy had managed to attract the attention of some pretty big powerhouses in college basketball.

Seton Hall, Arizona State, and Notre Dame scouts were in regular attendance at Peoria High School games last season, and all had one player on their mind—as a second choice, however.

"I was just a step behind another player that they wanted," Bundy, the Demons' freshman point guard, said. "I was kind of like the second choice."

Bundy, who averaged 10.5 points, 3.1 rebounds, 6 assists, and 2.2 steals per game last year at Peoria, also drew attention from several smaller schools in Illinois, such as Eastern Illinois and Western Illinois, as well as Bradley, a school in Peoria.

With all the attention from schools closer to home, one might wonder how he ended up here at Northwestern.

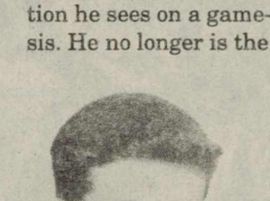
"I had told myself that I wanted to play at a top Division I level," Bundy said. "(Northwestern coach) J. D. (Barnett) had had a top Division I program at Tulsa and had turned it into a real good situation. That's how I really ended up here, because of Coach Barnett."

Barnett, in his first season with the Demons, offered Bundy a chance to contribute to a Division I basketball program in a hurry.

He has started all 15 games this season for the Demons and ranks in the top five in assists in the Southland Conference.

"Coach Barnett is there for you when do something good," Bundy said of his college coach, "but he also lets you know about it when you're doing bad. My high school coach was a very demanding coach, much like Coach Barnett. I think my high school experience has helped me adjust to his style."

But nothing could really prepare Bundy for the level of competition he sees on a game-by-game basis. He no longer is the experienced high school player with a load of personal accolades.



Bundy

He is a freshman point guard for a Division I university that must face bigger and quicker guards than he saw in his high school career.

"Most of my opponents have seen me as a white freshman point guard that they think they can take advantage of," Bundy said. "They want to try and force me into turnovers and things like that. Now they're starting to respect me a little more and that opens things up inside for Tarius (Brown) and Kenny (McMillon)."

The biggest challenge so far, according to Bundy, has been matching the strength of opposing guards.

"The biggest change I have to make is it get physically stronger," Bundy said."I think my strongest asset is the mental part of the game."

Being the leader is a tough thing for most young players, but Bundy feels the has a couple of good senior leaders on the team to look at in Brown and McMillon.

Brown, the team's leading scorer and rebounder, is a non-scholarship senior who is, according to Bundy, the team's biggest leader.

"Taurius is probably making the most contributions to the team right now," Bundy said. "He didn't play last year and isn't a scholarship player, but he probably is our biggest leader. I really look up to Taurius and all that he's done."

McMillon, Bundy's senior backcourt mate, has also helped with his development. McMillon was the Demons' point guard most of last season, but Bundy's arrival has allowed him to make the switch to a more natural position of shooting guard.

"Kenny's done a lot for me out on the court," Bundy said. "When I'm under pressure, I know he's always there out on the wing. I also know that if I don't perform, he'll probably take over my position again, and I don't want to give it up."

As a key member of Barnett's first recruiting class at Northwestern, Bundy knows that the rebuilding of the Demon program will take time. He feels that the team has made a statement about what the future holds with Northwestern's surprising record and conference play after being tabbed by most preseason publications to finish last in the conference.

Bundy eventually wants to see the program improve to the point to where the Demons can hold their own against the big-time collegiate powers and maybe pull off a few wins against the big boys.

"We've played a couple of big Division I schools this season in Brigham Young and Mississippi State, and lost by 30 and 40 points each time," Bundy said. "Before I leave Northwestern, I want to be able to compete each year against teams from the SEC or Big Ten. I want to get into the NCAA Tournament and maybe win a couple or three games. But I know that we are probably a couple of years away."

Bundy feels that as the season has progressed, the Demons have been getting more attention and support from their fans. Coming from such a big time program such as Peoria, Bundy has played high school games in front of crowds as large as 9,000 people.

"My first game here we played in front of maybe 100 people," Bundy said. "I was beginning to wonder if I had made a wrong choice, because that wasn't what I was expecting at a Division I school. That's not what I dreamed of coming too. But the last couple of games have been better, with the band and fans and stuff."

A computer information systems major, Bundy hopes to enter some area of computer work after graduating from college.

He is also an avid golfer, but rarely finds the spare time to enjoy a hobby right now.

"I go to class in the morning and have practice from 3 to 6:30 in the afternoon," he said. "Then we have to go eat until about 7, and by then I'm really tired. If you're not really concerned about your academics, then they're not really stressed. I make sure to try and split my time as best as possible."

Ryan Bundy has a long way to go in his basketball career at Northwestern. But with his experience and talent, and a desire to be the best, he just might get where he wants to be a lot faster than most people think.

And the Demons hope he'll take them with him.

## Demon Profile

**Player: Ryan Bundy**
**Class: Freshman**
**Hometown: Peoria, Illinois**
**Personal Information:**
- **--Born 2/9/76**
- **--Son of Keith and Melody Bundy**
- **--Computer Systems Information major**

**On the court:**
- **--Honorable mention AP Class 2A All-State**
- **--Illinois Basketball Coaches Association Class 2A All-State, Third Team**
- **--Played in Illinois Class 2A All-Star Game**
- **--All-Area First Team**
- **--Led team to 25-5 record, regional title, No. 3 state ranking as a senior**
- **--As a junior, guided team to a 27-4 mark and a state runner-up finish**
- **--Played with Louisville's Beau Smith as a junior**
- **--Played for coach Chuck Beuscher at Peoria High School**

**In other arenas:**
- **--Graduated 10th in a class of 260**
- **--Sectional golf qualifier in his last two seasons, regional qualifier all four years**
- **--Second in regional golf championships as a senior**



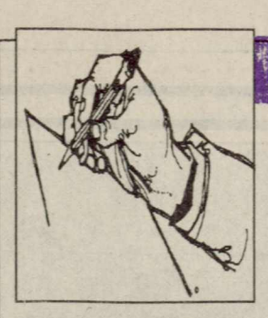
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**ALVIN AILEY DANCE COMPANY TO PERFORM AT NSU:** The critically acclaimed dance ensemble will perform Feb. 21 at Northwestern. The dance ensemble includes most of the scholarship students of the American Dance Center. **Page 2**

**SEVENTY-EIGHT NSU STUDENTS NAMED TO WHO'S WHO:** The students' names will be published in the 1995 edition of *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges*. **Page 2**

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### CITY

**NATCHITOCHES CENSUS OFFICE TO HOLD OPEN HOUSE:** Natchitoches is preparing for the 1995 census test by holding an open house Tuesday from 4-7 p.m. Various local and state officials will be in attendance to mark the first step in developing plans for the 2000 census. The census office is located at 100 Jefferson St. The Census Bureau is testing new procedures designed to make the census more accurate and less costly.

### STATE

**LOUISIANA LOTTERY HOSTS THIRD ANNUAL MILLIONAIRES' REUNION:** Louisana lottery millionaires will meet to celebrate their winnings at the Aquarium of the Americas. Since the first Lotto drawing on Feb. 1, 1992, a total of 65 tickets correctly matched six of 44 numbers to win a jackpot prize. More than $304 million has been won by the lottery.

### NATION

**COLLEGE ENROLLMENTS DOWN:** College and university enrollments declined in many states this fall, according to a survey by the American Council on Education. Eleven of 17 (or 65 percent) of states surveyed experienced enrollment declines, according to the report. The decline, however, was less than last year, when 12 of 16 states (or 75 percent) reported fewer students enrolling—the largest decline in the seven-year history of the ACE survey. Declines in enrollment were attributed to a shrinking pool of college-age students and the continuing impact of reductions in state support earlier in the decade.

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# Hazing focus of lecture

AMY WISDOM
*Current Sauce*

"Any situation created on or off campus to embarrass or intimidate [fraternity pledges] is hazing," David Westol told Northwestern's fraternity and sorority members in his presentation, *Hazing on Trial* last Tuesday night.

Westol is the executive director of Theta Chi Fraternity and assistant prosecuting attorney for Kalamazoo Michigan County, Mich. He has been addressing college campuses on the dangers of fraternity hazing for the past 14 years. Kappa Sigma Fraternity, the Panhellenic Council and the Interfraternity Council sponsored the lecture.

According to Westol, hazing comprises any act that active members expect of pledges, but do not expect of each other. Minor acts, such as pledges entering the back door of a fraternity house or wearing their pledge pins at all times, are considered hazing.

"Physical abuse certainly falls within the boundaries, but the emotional abuse can be even more damaging," Westol said.

Presently, hazing is not a reported problem at Northwestern, according to Carl P. Henry III, director of Student Activities. "The organizations are good at governing themselves," he said.

Westol cited many excuses heard for hazing. They all stemmed from the belief that psychological and physical abuse of pledges somehow creates respect for the organization, and strengthens brother- or sisterhood, especially within a pledge class.

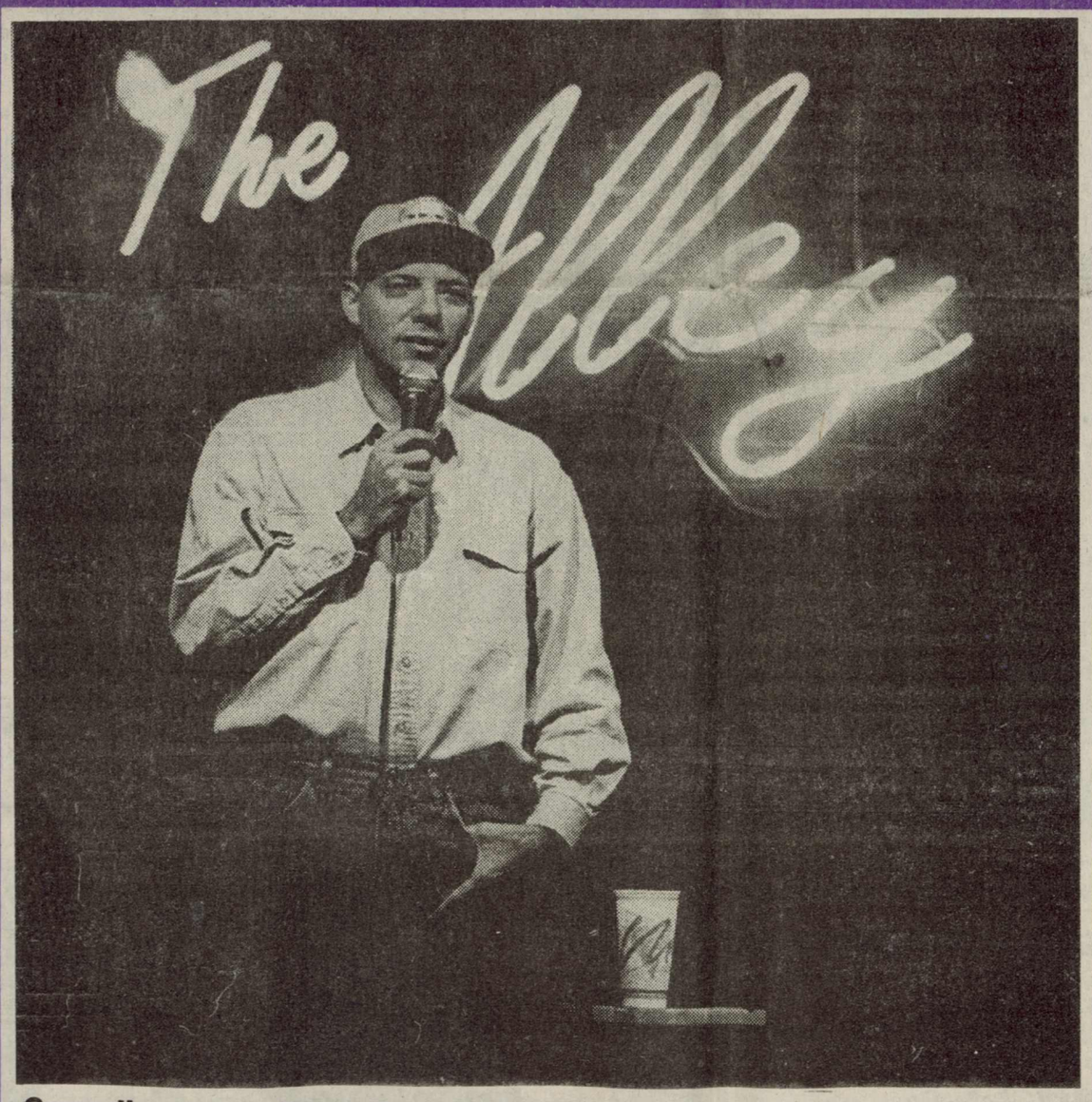
He said hazing is pure ego on the part of those who believe in it. "Hazers are big whiners. Take away

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**David Westol lectures to a full house of fraternity and sorority members last Tuesday. Westol warned the students about the harmful effects of hazing..** PHOTO BY JONATHON WALLACE

# Class Act




**Comedian Lance Montalto entertained Northwestern students Thursday night in the Alley with jokes and humerous skits. The event was sponsored by the Students Activities Board.** PHOTO BY JONATHON WALLACE

# Twelve compete for LOB title

Twelve students will compete for the title of Miss Northwestern - Lady of the Bracelet at 7 p.m. Friday in the A.A. Fredericks Auditorium.

The Miss Northwestern - Lady of the Bracelet Pageant is sponsored by the Student Activities Board, and is an official preliminary pageant for the Miss Louisiana Pageant. The winner will receive more than $5,000 in scholarships and prizes and will compete in this summer's Miss Louisiana Pageant.

This year's entrants are Leigh Cole of Centerpoint, Jennifer Fox of Haughton, Anna Harper of Haughton, Brandi Kirk of Slidell, Amelia Metesh of Tioga, Christy Moncrief of Natchitoches, Farrah Reyna of Rosepine, Jill Richardson of Ruston, Rose Triggs of Natchitoches, Lori Whatley of Monroe, Jennifer Wilbanks of Columbia and April Wilson of Vivian.

Cole, the daughter of Wayne and Barbara Cole, is a graduate of Marksville High School. She is a nursing major. Cole is a member of Phi Mu Fraternity. She was a member of the Purple Pizazz Pom Pon Line and was the recipient of the Gertrude Bott and Ruby Dunkleman Scholarships.

Fox, a music performance major, is the daughter of Neil and Kay Fox. She is a graduate of Haughton High School. A Dean's List student, Fox is a member of the Chamber Choir and was the second runner up in the 1993 Miss Northwestern - LOB Pageant. She is a member of Sigma Sigma Sigma Sorority.

Harper, a fashion merchandising major, is the daughter of Bob and Avalyn Harper. She is a graduate of Haughton High School. Harper is a member of Sigma Sigma Sigma Sorority, serving as vice president. She was fourth runner up in the pageant two years ago and was named Miss Congeniality last year. Harper is slated to become president of Northwestern chapter of the Louisiana Association of Family and Consumer Sciences.

Kirk is the daughter of John and Janice Kirk. A graduate of Slidell High School, she is a pre physical therapy major. Kirk trained at the New Orleans Center for Creative Arts.

Metesh, an elementary education major, is the daughter of Linda and Mike Metesh of Tioga. She is a graduate of Tioga High School. Metesh has been the recipient of Tioga High's Senior Indian Award and the Presidential Youth Service Award.

Moncrief, a biology major from Natchitoches, is the daughter of Johnny and Edna Fannin. She is a graduate of Springhill High School. Moncrief was in last year's Miss Louisiana Pageant as Miss Fort Polk. She is a member of Sigma Sigma Sigma sorority.

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# Job market looks hopeful for college graduates

## Hiring for this year's graduates will increase 5.9 over last year

Brace yourself, college seniors: there's good news on the job front.

After years of doom-and-gloom forecasts throughout the early 1990s, the employment outlook for college graduates finally may be replaced by brighter skies.

"The graduates of 1995 should be entering the best job market in the past four years," Patrick Scheetz, director of the Collegiate Employment Research Institute at Michigan State University, said. "Although it's a modest increase, it looks like we're coming out of a dark period for employment."

According to Francis Conine, director of the Career Planning Placement at Northwestern, more companies are "making inquiries" about upcoming college graduates.

"There have been more positions available this year," Conine said. "The amount of job interviews has increased on campus. On-campus recruiting has increased dramatically."

Scheetz and his associates have released a new study based on surveys of 545 companies. He said that the hiring of this year's graduates will increase 5.9 percent over last year, making 1995 the second consecutive year for gains in employment. In the four years before last year's 1.1 percent increase, new jobs for college graduates dropped by 30 percent.

Thomas Oh, senior research analyst at Hanigan Consulting Group in New York City, agrees.

"Companies are getting back to hiring the people they didn't hire in the early '90s," Oh said. "This year's college graduates have good reason to be more optimistic than ever."

Oh said 29 of the 100 companies he surveyed indicated that they'll increase their hiring of college graduates this spring, while 65 companies will hire the same amount of students as last year. Only five companies said they will decrease the amount of college graduates they'll be hiring.

In 1994, the number of college graduates hired rose by 8.4 percent. The number this year should be even higher, Oh said.

"Students getting their degrees in 1995 face a much better job market than graduates did a few years ago," Oh said. "They will be hearing from more than one company."

That continues an upward trend from 1994, when college graduates entered an improved job market. "It's kind of anticlimactic when you graduate and then have to wait six months to get a job, Ron Fille, a 1994 graduate of the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater said. "When I was a sophomore and junior, all I ever read was about how horrible the job market was. I thought I was going to get buried."

But Fille was able to find a job within one month of his graduation, thanks to an early job search and a major that is in demand. "I was one of the lucky ones who majored in computer science," he said. "There were a lot of companies hiring computer geeks like me to help with technical support."

The upwards swing of the 1994 hiring season should continue into 1995, but graduates shouldn't expect to leap into that $50,000 a year job right away. "Employers are reminding students that they still have some learning to do and that they need to show positive performance on the job," Scheetz said. "A lot of times students think job advancement when they should think job performance. Students proved themselves in college, now they have to prove themselves all over again."

Scheetz said that employers will be looking to hire graduates with significant work-related experience

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**Estimated Starting Salaries for New College Graduates**

| | |
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| Chemical Engineering | $40,689 |
| Mechanical Engineering | $35,713 |
| Electrical Engineering | $35,302 |
| Industrial Engineering | $33,593 |
| Computer Science | $32,762 |
| Nursing | $30,078 |
| Civil Engineering | $29,838 |
| Geology | $28,689 |
| Chemistry | $28,551 |
| Accounting | $28,022 |
| Physics | $27,330 |
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| Liberal Arts | $21,124 |
| Journalism | $20,837 |
| Telecommunications | $20,821 |

**Average for Graduate Degree**

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| MBA | $39,507 |
| Ph.D. | $38,686 |
| Masters | $35,934 |

Source: College Placement Council

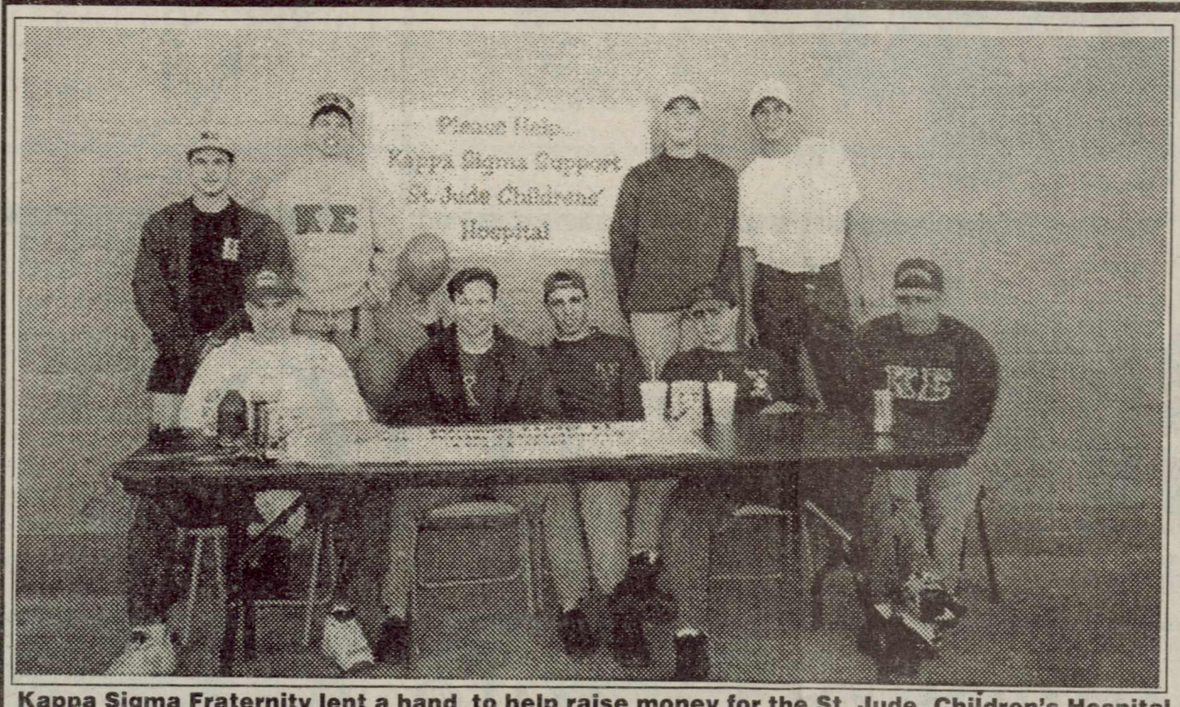
## Famous dance company to perform at NSU

The Alvin Ailey Repertory Ensemble will perform at 7:30 p.m. Feb. 21 in the A.A. Fredericks Auditorium. The performance is part of Northwestern's Concert Series.

The ensemble was formed in 1974 from a workshop of the most outstanding scholarship students of the American Dance Center, the official school of the Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater.

Since the ensemble was formed, it has won critical acclaim for its national tours, residencies at major colleges and universities and visits to schools in the New York area.

Admission is free to Northwestern and Louisiana School for Math, Science and the Arts students, $3 for all other students and $5 general admission. TIckets will not be sold in advance.




**Kappa Sigma Fraternity lent a hand to help raise money for the St. Jude Children's Hospital at Wal-Mart Saturday. Students standing (left to right) are Geoff Doyle, Rick Scott, Jason Anderson and Danny Bourgeois. On the bottom row ( left to right) are Russell Meyer, Dale Montgomery, Joey Giordana, Dennis Kleinpeter and Marlon Robinson.**

## NSU to help Baton Rouge school system

Northwestern will be teaming up with the East Baton Rouge Parish School System on a grant funded by the Louisiana Systemic Initiatives Program (LaSIP).

Under a $131,218 grant, the University will assist East Baton Rouge Parish Schools with The Baton Rouge Precalculus Project. The grant will allow 30 11th and 12th grade mathematics teachers from the Baton Rouge area to be involved in an intensive study of the investigative, applications and technology oriented precalculus curriculum.

Dr. Stan Chadick, professor of math, and Ginnie Bolin of the East Baton Rouge Parish School System are project co-directors.

Chadick said the project will try new materials developed at the North Carolina School of Math and Science. Faculty from the North Carolina School will serve as instructors during the course.

The project is one of 28 professional development projects in mathematics and science funded during 1995-96. A total of 15 projects in science and 13 in mathematics were funded.

## Over seventy students named to Who's Who

A total of 78 students were selected as outstanding national leaders and will have their names published in the 1995 edition of *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges.*

Campus nominating committees and editors of the annual directory have included the names of students based on their academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities and potential for continued success. They join an elite group of students from more than 1,400 institutions of higher learning in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and other nations.

Those named to Who's Who are Amy Alderman, Norah Armstrong, Jamie Atkins, Dana Avant-Lewis, James Bagley Jr., Kitty Barron, Meloni Beltz, Jennifer Birdwell, Gwendolyn Blackbourne, Jeremy Broussard, Madelyn Boudreaux, Tracy Brown, Brenda Bryant, Bonnye Busbice, Patricia Carlock and Judy Carter.

Also named were Steven Clinger, Lynn Cooper, Clara Coutee, Richard Darbonne, Angela Dehart, Audra Delrie, John Dippel, Scarlett Etheridge Alice Fautheree, Sherrie Fitts, Glen Fox, Nicholas Gajcowski, Donald Gardner, Amy Gewin, George Gray, Daniel Green, Jennifer Hagan, Carmen Harris, Angela Hennigan, Erin Herbst and Jennifer Hosterman.

Others named were Bret Hughes, Gloria James, Elizabeth Kendall, Matthew Koury, Angela Lacour, Robin Laprairie, Maxine Matta, Michael Moreau, Lacy Morris, Bridgette Morvant, Paul Myers, Kerry Nelson, Angela Payne, Kimberly Prichard, Tanya Read, Ramona Reed and Paula Richardson.

Also selected were Mona Ross, Jennifer Rowland, Susan Roy, Jamie St. Pe, Jessica Shirley, Lisa Smith, Nicole Solari, James Stamey, Andy Steczo, Ronald Stracener, Laura Turner, Allison Vaugn, Maryalyce Walsh, Tamara Webb, Dorothy Webb-Minor, Tracy Welsh, Amy Williams, John Williams and Stephanie Ybos.

## Scholars' student named state finalist in Rhodes competition

Maryalyce Walsh, senior in the Louisiana Scholars' College was recently named one of nine finalists in the state competition for the prestigious Rhodes Fellowship.

Walsh was invited to the state interviews by Fellowship coordinator, Thomas Carbonneau of the Tulane School of Law. For two days in December, finalists had informal meetings with former Rhodes Scholars and Fellowship representatives. Each finalist was then interviewed by a panel of eight professors.

Walsh is completing an individual plan of study in the humanities & social thought concentration of the Scholars' College.

## FBI seeks drug-free college seniors

Are you a drug-free, job-seeking college senior? Then you may be wanted by the FBI.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation plans to hire up to 2,000 agents over the next three years and will concentrate on recruiting women and minorities to help make the bureau more culturally diverse.

Although the FBI once automatically disqualified anyone who used drugs, the current requirements have been relaxed, if only slightly. Applicants will take a polygraph test, and those who have used marijuana within the past three years or another illegal drug within the past 10 years will more than likely be rejected.

Starting pay for the FBI is approximately $40,000, and can rise to well over $100,000 for upper management positions.

## Art Breeds Art, Study Finds

Art cultivates art according to a new study by researchers at the University of Pennsylvania says, pointing out that people who live in Philadelphia-area neighborhoods with large numbers of cultural organizations are more likely to attend cultural events than people who live in neighborhoods without artistic groups.

Mark J. Stern, head of the Social Impact of the Arts Project at the University of Pennsylvania's School of Social Work, initiated the study, which analyzed the results of interviews with nearly 500 Philadelphia-area residents.

Penn officials said that the study found the average resident attends 3.9 cultural events per year. However, residents who lived in zip codes with less than two arts groups attended less than two events per year, while those who lived in zip codes with three to five arts groups attended 5.9 events annually. Residents in zip codes with more than six groups attended nine events per year.

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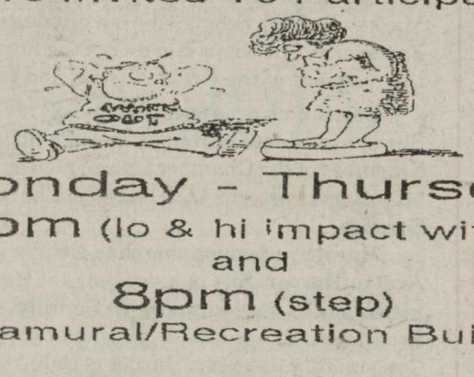
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## Self-enhancement programs to help students raise performances

### Topics will include personality traits and test-stress management

LESLIE HENNIGAN
*Current Sauce*

There is always room for improvement. At Northwestern, student improvement is the category at the top of the new year's list.

Counseling and Career Services and Student Support Services are offering programs and workshops which will help the college student of 1995 to be the best he or she can be.

The focus of these programs and workshops is self-enhancement. Career counselors and workers at Student Support Services will offer ways in which the students can raise their performances to higher degrees. To accomplish this, the programs have been designed to boost both the student's confidence and morale.

The basis for self-enhancement is self-actualization, the highest level of perfection that a human being can reach, according to Abraham Maslow, the psychologist who created the hierarchy pyramid of human fulfillment.

Self-actualization is often characterized by the individual exhibiting total selflessness. The term self-actualization was developed by Maslow.

Students who attend the programs will learn how to raise their self-esteem, to enhance their growth of knowledge, and to gain personal satisfaction in all that they do and try to accomplish.

One of the tools that will help the students in their learning is a self-help library which will be located in the Counseling and Career Services office.

The library will be open during all office hours throughout the semester. The library will cover a very broad range of topics, such as assertiveness, depression and relationships. Audio and visual equipment will also be provided to view some of the materials.

"Career Counselors will be holding one-on-one sessions and group sessions for those students that might have questions concerning items in the library," Elizabeth Hughes, career counselor, said. "Our goal is to help students get a little closer to achieving their own goals."

> "Our goal is to help students get a little closer to achieving their own goals" **Elizabeth Hughes, Career Counseling**

Student Support Services will be providing two workshops for students. Both workshops will be held in the Cane River Room in the Student Union. The first is a True Colors program from noon to 1:30 p.m. Feb. 9. The activity uses colors to identify an individual's personality traits.

"Color is something that everyone can identify with," Brenda Webb, a Student Support Services counselor, said. "It makes it easy for the students to learn how to interact with other personality types."

The second program is a Test Anxiety workshop, from noon to 2 p.m. March 7. Students will learn various ways to relieve stress and to relax in preparation for midterms.

## Tired of O.J.

KERI CHAMPION
*Current Sauce*

O.J. Simpson is everywhere. The trial of the former football star/sports announcer/actor for the murder of his wife and her male friend has drawn publicity from every news medium for months now and shows no sign of stopping. The trial is aired live on many news and entertainment networks and recaps and examinations of the event are replayed from *Good Morning America* to *Nightline*.

With all the publicity, it's hard to find someone who doesn't have something to say about the trial and the coverage of it. Students at Northwestern are no exception.

The general feeling on campus is boredom — and frustration. Most of the displeasure comes from students having their television viewing schedules disrupted. Miranda Coon, a journalism major, echoed the sentiments of many Northwestern coeds.

"I miss my soaps," she said. Coon also said that the trial should not be aired for another reason — because Simpson can't get a fair trial. "The media coverage could realistically hinder the judiciary process," she said. "The process should be allowed to happen naturally and not on television."

According to Steven Tilley, a physics major, the trial doesn't warrant the kind of coverage it's getting simply because it isn't important.

"It's not a national crisis" Tilley said. "The jury should be left to do their job and be done with it."

Anthropology major Brian Cable was similarly frustrated by the coverage. "I'm kind of sick of it," he said. "I feel that the jury should hurry up and find him guilty or let him go."

Other students went so far as to make suppositions on Simpson's guilt or innocence. However, opinions were split on the subject.

"Personally, I'd like to believe that he's not guilty because of his status as a national sports figure," Trey Earle, a premed major, said. "But the situations, facts and the media are going against him and he seems to be guilty."

Honey Eldridge, an English education major, was a bit more stern in her judgment.

"I think O.J. did it but no jury will touch him because of who he is and I think he should rot in Hell," Eldridge said.

Megean LaBore, an English education major, concurs. "He is guilty, but no jury will convict him because of his status," she said.

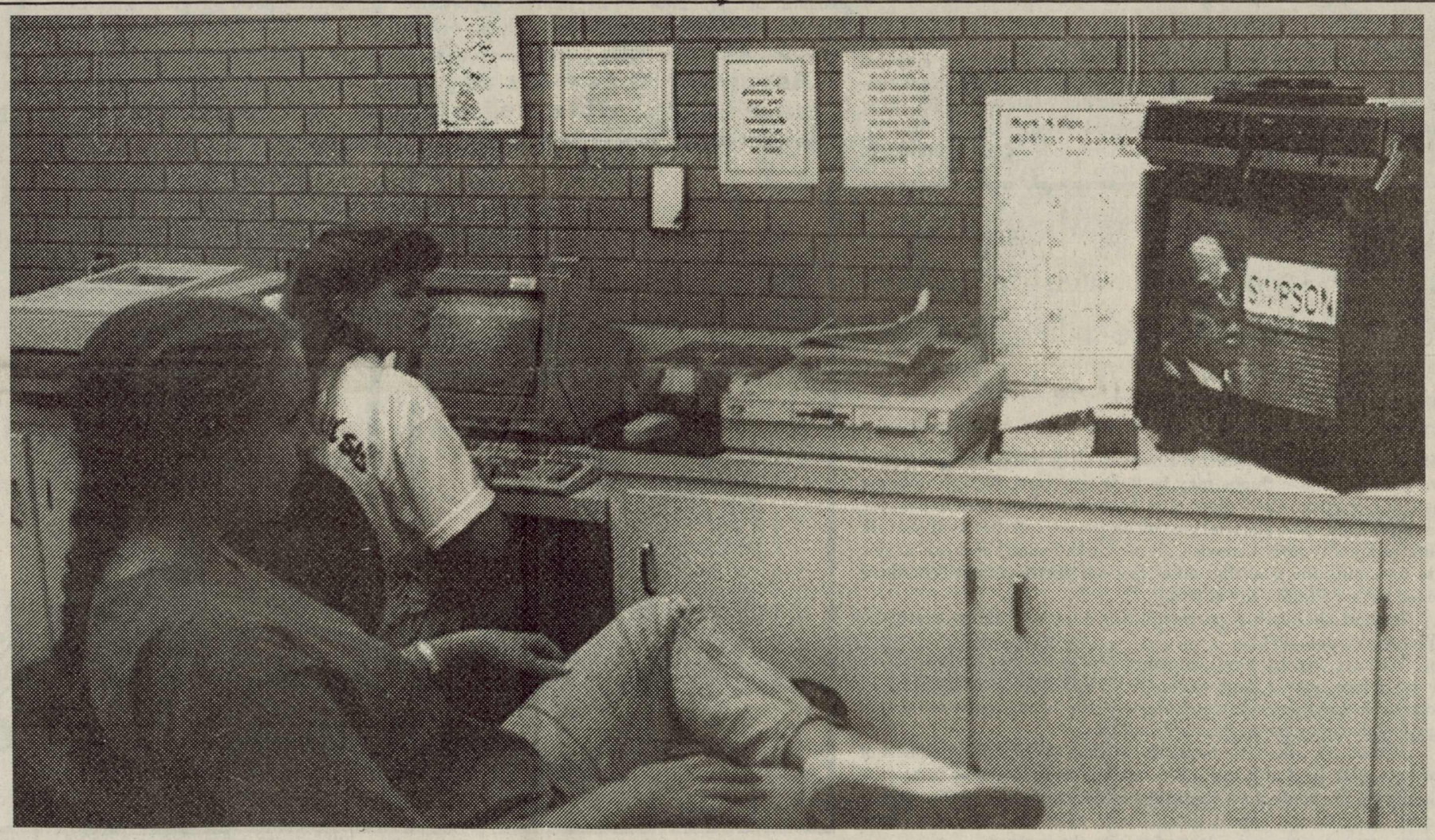
Others took a more philosophical approach to the matter.

"I think if he's guilty, O.J. needs to be punished," Monisha Shamburger, an English major, said. "If he's innocent, I hope he can see this ordeal through so it can make him a stronger person."

Adam Young, a journalism major, noted that the determination of Simpson's guilt or innocence is irrelevant at this point.

"I think whatever the outcome is, because of the mental loss he has suffered, it won't matter even if he is innocent," he said.

## Captive audience




**Student workers Leslie Hennigan (at computer) and Lori Dun, both freshmen,watch coverage of the O.J. Simpson trial while working in the Telecommunications and Journalism Office in Kyser Hall.**

PHOTO BY NICOLE NEUNER

### HOLIDAY HISTORY

## Groundhog Day

Thursday is Groundhog Day and all eyes will be on the furry mammal, whose job it is to predict the weather. Traditionally, the groundhog (or woodchuck) will awake from his state of hibernation on Feb. 2 and emerge from his burrow. If the weather is sunny, the the groundhog sees his shadow, he will turn around and hibernate for six more weeks of winter. However, if the day is cloudy and he doesn't see his shadow, the groundhog will emerge and everyone will enjoy an early spring.

Groundhog Day isn't just American folklore. In Europe bears and badgers are also said to have weather-predicting powers. A similar European custom holds that when the skies are cloudy on Candlemas Day (also Feb. 2), spring will arrive early.



## Grad student goes from record collector to record producer

### *Greg Latterman's Aware CDs feature 'college bands' such as Jackopierce, Hootie & the Blowfish, the Winebottles and others*

MARCO BUSCAGLIA
*College Press Service*

EVANSTON, Ill. — Greg Latterman started collecting compact discs of his favorite college bands as a hobby.

But when the Northwestern University graduate business student found that he was bored with his 9-to-5 accounting job, he decided to put his hobby to work for him.

His idea: seek out the best college bands in the nation and put their recordings together on a compilation disc.

"I had a pretty huge collection of CDs, mostly from bands that nobody ever heard of because it was hard to find their stuff," Latterman, who is now 26, said. "But when people heard the music, they liked it, so I was always making these tapes for my friends.

"I figured I'd just take that same concept and expand it."

Latterman quit his accounting job in Boston and moved to Vail, Colo., to work as a ski instructor. He worked the slopes during the day and watched live bands at night.

"A lot of bands come through Vail each year, so I was able to hear a lot of music," he said. "If I saw something I liked, I tried to contact the band to see if they wanted to get involved with the project."

After listening to hundreds of bands, Latterman came up with a list of 10 he wanted to feature on his disc, called *Aware*.

"Deciding on the bands was pretty easy compared to the next step," he said. "I didn't realize how hard it would be to get all 10 bands, and all their representing attorneys and management companies to agree to the terms."

But after spending a couple thousand dollars in long-distance phone bills, Latterman finally was able to secure the bands for *Aware*, which includes songs by Jackopierce, Acoustic Junction, Jupiter Coyote, the Winebottles and others.

After the final contracts were signed, Latterman hit the recording studio to oversee the production of the CD. Four weeks later — roughly six months after Latterman came up with the compilation idea — the first copies were delivered.

Instead of pitching the CDs to stores at the local malls, Latterman set up an 800 number (1-800-AWARE-65) and waited for the calls to come in.

And they did. Relying primarily on word-of-mouth publicity, the toll-free number, a few independent distributors and sales representatives on various college campuses, Latterman was able to sell thousands of copies of his CD in the first year.

Latterman, who is currently pursuing his MBA at Northwestern, said that most of today's bands realize they need to put their music out on CD, even when they're just starting out.

"You can get a following from live shows, but once your music is out there on CD, people can pass it around to their friends," he said, adding that recent advances in technology make it possible for a CD to be manufactured for about 25 cents more than a cassette tape.

"A lot of times, bands don't know how to go about getting more exposure. We try to help them with that."

Like any good entrepreneur knows, one good idea deserves another, so Latterman began work on *Aware II*. And while he didn't expect his second go-around as a record producer to be a piece of cake, Latterman said he was a little surprised at how difficult the process was. He ran across many of the same headaches he encountered his first time out.

"Anytime a lot of people are involved, they're going to be some problems," Latterman said. "But I learned a lot from both times. There probably wasn't any other way I could have done it."

*Aware II* features a fairly diverse group of bands, including Hootie & the Blowfish, Better than Ezra, From Good Homes, The Emptys and more.

Despite his full schedule of classes, Latterman still finds time to sample bands for *Aware III*, which he plans to release "as soon as he gets the music."

In the meantime, he has started his own label, Madaket Records, and is looking for bands to jump on board.

"Whenever you hear a good song or band, you want other people to know about it," Latterman said. "That's what the *Aware* CDs are all about. This is music I've heard that I know other people will like."

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## Don't we have anything better to talk about?

The mainstream media hit a new low last week as the O. J. Simpson trial started.

The question we keep asking is why the press deem it so important that it must air *every* day on *every* major network and news channel. Indeed, the media asked themselves this same question a few months ago. Ted Koppel even devoted two of his *Nightline* broadcasts to the subject.

Now, though, they seem to have stopped caring if it is newsworthy and lost themselves in fascination of bickering lawyers and surprise witnesses. Koppel now has almost nightly updates on the subject in addition to his regular subject matter. What's worse, the media knows it's being manipulated by the lawyers and is still playing along.

We admit the implication of an "American hero" in the murder of his wife and a friend is noteworthy. However, other things are going on in the world. What those things may be we're not sure. We can only get snippets of news from CNN these days because the trial airs during the regular news time. After the trial goes off for the day, all that's left are talk and entertainment shows. Likewise, the networks dedicate so much of their time to recapping the trial that other news is overshadowed. Whatever happened to that Clinton guy anyway?

"We sympathize with those who scheduled their classes so they could watch Marlena, the demon-possessed shape-shifting female character on *Days of Our Lives*"

In short, the depth of coverage during this trial is akin to that of the Gulf War and it shouldn't be.

We have heard several complaints from students about their soap operas being pre-empted. And we sympathize with those who scheduled their classes so that they could watch Marlena, the demon-possessed shape-shifting female character on *Days of Our Lives*.

It probably was time better spent than watching the wheels of justice turn ever so slowly toward an ending some estimate to be four months down the road. Just think about what happens if Simpson is convicted. Imagine the appeal process with more jury selection, more witnesses, more motions, more hissy-fits from the lawyers....

The people in TV land need to decide now how they are going to handle the entire O. J. Simpson saga and decide if it is worth preempting programs they likely spent millions on yearly. After all, four months is just an estimated length of time for the proceedings. This could go on for years.

What we do know will go on for years is the media fixation on the sensational. Cases involving rich kids who kill their parents, figure skaters who break each others' knees, teenagers who shoot the wives of their lovers and women who cut off their husbands sex organs will continue to dominate the airwaves.

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# Christian Coalition policies dangerous



**Dr. Alex**Aichinger

Guest Column

The recent Republican victories on the national and state levels and the self-proclaimed role of the Christian Coalition in that victory have introduced the ideas of the Coalition into mainstream political dialogue.

This compels all Americans to consider what role, if any, religion should play in advancing government policy. It is my opinion that the policies advanced by the Christian Coalition, policies that generally call for the introduction of specific religious teachings into the law-making process, are not only dangerous to the idea of a limited national government, but also anti-constitutional.

The rationale for a written constitution is two-fold. In the first place, it serves to confine the activities of the federal government to certain broad areas of public policy.

The legitimate areas of congressional policy making are outlined in Article 1 of the Constitution and include regulating interstate commerce, providing for the national defense, maintaining a sound monetary system and so on.

In the second place, a written constitution prohibits the national government from engaging in certain activities, activities that are essentially "private" in nature.

As we are told in *Federalist 84*, the Constitution is intended to "regulate the general political [public] interests of the nation" and not to regulate "every species of personal and private concerns." The distinction between general public concerns and "personal and private concerns" is crucial and leads us to the Christian Coalition and its religious-political ideas.

Religion is the subject of two specific provisions in the Constitution. The more familiar is found in the First Amendment which prohibits the Congress from enacting public policy "respecting an establishment of religion" while, at the same time, guaranteeing " the free exercise" of religion by individuals. These two provisions complement the public-private distinction essential to a limited government.

Religion is recognized as being in the personal sphere and therefore not subject to congressional regulation. Congress can pass no law "respecting the establishment of religion." Yet, the Founders also recognized the importance of religion to a free government and guaranteed individuals the right to freely exercise their own private religion.

In this regard, the society, as opposed to the government, may in fact encourage religion in its broadest sense, but it may not call for the establishment or favoring of a specific sect or doctrine. It should be noted that one of the guarantees against the establishment of one religion as well as a guarantee of the free exercise of a specific religion is the very number and variety of religions and, presumably, non-religions in American society.

The other religious provision less well known and directly dresses the basic premise of Christian Coalition, the premise only "true" Christians should office. Article 6 of the Constitu clearly states that "no religious T shall ever be required as a Qualifi tion to any Office or public Tr under the United States."

This is a very clear statem that religion or lack of religion sho never be made an issue in elect individuals to positions of "pub Trust."

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The policies of the Christi Coalition, as generally understo are dangerous in that they atte to eliminate the vital public-priv distinction essential to the idea limited government. They can a be termed "anti-constitutional" that they attempt to inject religi fervor into an essentially religi political process.

**Assuming that most daytime viewers aren't especially selective about what kind of sex, violence, intrigue, and spouse-abuse they enjoy watching, network planners make a grave mistake...**




# Wrong message received in *Higher Learning*



**Madelyn**Boudreaux

Banana Notes

Are American college campuses a melting pot of racial and cultural diversity, or are they more like the divided plates we all recall from high-school lunch rooms, with neat little compartments to keep the mashed potatoes from touching the peas?

According to John Singleton's (*Boyz-N-the-Hood*, *Poetic Justice*) latest film, *Higher Learning*, they might be closer to the latter, despite the good intentions of some students.

The close-up on the American flag at the opening of the film sets the stage: This is the all-American collegiate world, populated by easily-led masses of chanting students who have come to college to "change the world" or at least have a good time. But the world of Columbus University is a fragmented one, despite racially-mixed dorm rooms and a consciousness-raising, West Indian professor (played brilliantly by Laurence Fishburne).

There is little positive in the film: The students segregate themselves on basis of race, politics and musical tastes at an alarming rate. The main characters, African-American track-star Malik (Omar Epps), blonde Californian Kristen (Kristy Swenson) and angry geek Remy (Michael Rapaport), are all a little lost. They revolve around the events of the film in separate orbits yet each exerts an important influence on the others.

Malik and Remy are drawn into social circles based on their racial make-up. Malik, athletically talented with great intellectual potential, easily becomes a favorite of the Black students on campus, especially Afro-centric Fudge (Ice Cube). Remy, on the other hand, a victim of child-abuse and isolation, can find no group until a gang of local skin heads takes him in and uses his anger for their own ends. Remy is so socially maladjusted and intellectually bland, it's no wonder he is so intensely jealous of Malik.

Kristen, angered by the racism and lack of cohesion on campus, organizes a musical festival to bring the many groups together — and succeeds, but with disastrous results.

Many of the film's suppositions are a little unbelievable, such as the police force who seem unable to see past race. These cops are utterly insensitive to the needs or rights of the African-American students throughout the film, repeatedly demanding identification from them and always assuming they are in the wrong.

All this culminates when, despite cornering an obvious white murderer, the police are side-tracked into beating up a vengeful but innocent Malik, allowing the murderer to nearly escape. Although racism of this sort certainly occurs, after the sort of problems that occur at Columbus University in the course of the film, the Campus Security should have been on pins and needles about race issues.

What really mars the film, though, is that Singleton takes on too many issues. *Higher Learning* could have been a concise film about race politics on an American campus, but with the addition of sexuality and extremism, the film rambles instead.

Indeed, Kristen's sexual confusion, sparked by a drunken rape, adds little to the film, other than to give her roommate something to worry about.

And, despite the villainy of the skin heads, one has to wonder if such extremism is the real enemy to racial harmony in America. It's a bit too easy to blame extremists of any race, when the real problem lies in our everyday tendency to think in terms of "us" versus "them."

The audience is asked to accept too many coincidences and too many stereotypes. Remy's group of five neo-Nazi's (complete with shaven-heads, white-laced boots and swastikas) are too perfectly matched by Malik's five "homies." Both groups are led by sagacious older mem who cut through the posturin their followers andverbally eg the younger members. And w the two groups finally clash, muscle-bound skinheads lose a l too quickly to the lithe black dents.

Kristen's suitors, too, are anced against each other — the who won't use birth control ve the sensitive guy who actu brought his own condom versus studious lesbian who empow Kristen socially. And what They're all so beautiful!

Singleton doesn't seem to k where he stands on the issue of letics, either.

Malik complains heartily a being forced to run for his tui yet he is reminded several ti that his track scholarship is gi him a chance to go to a good sch The scenes of Malik and other letes training and competing, h ever, fall right back on the stand lyrical images of a Nike ad. Columbus University doesn't s to have a single non-black athle point that could have been m into an issue, yet is ignored by all characters.

Singleton's characters get in the stereotypes he certainly viles. The partying frat-b drunken coeds, studious As Americans and drug-using b kids, manage to underscore the act images Singleton command to "unlearn." He subjugates subt in favor of the message, and r not teaching his audience anyth useful at all.

# Campus Forum

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News and Views from the Northwestern Community

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## Forum Directory

**The Campus Forum page (formerly Op-Ed) was conceived as a part of the *Current Sauce* commitment to giving Northwestern students a greater voice on campus. Explained below are the guidelines for taking advantage of this page.**

***Campus Connection***

The staff of the *Current Sauce* invites all campus organizations to send announcements for publication in Campus Connection. However, we remind organizations of the guidelines involved. Campus Connection submissions must be brought to Rm. 225 by noon on the Monday before Tuesday publication.

All submissions should be **less than 100 words** and should pertain solely to **meetings, announcements and upcoming activities**. Birthday greetings, congratulations and/or product advertisements should be submitted as paid classified ads.

***Letters to the editor***

Should be no more than 300 words and must include the signature of the author, the author's classification, major and phone number for fact verification.

***Forum Viewpoint***

This section provides students the opportunity to express their views in a column-type format. Each submission should be between 400-500 words and include the author's signature and phone number. We will take a mandatory photo of the author to be published with materials received. Columns must be written professionally and include no personal controversy. They are due Friday before the Tuesday publication

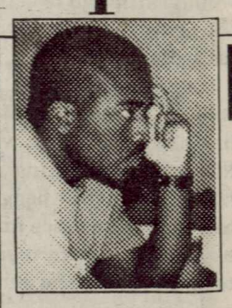
***Current Quotes***

Current Quotes are gathered by members of the *Current Sauce* staff. The purpose is to present student opinions on a subject selected by the editorial staff. Students featured in this section are selected in no particular order on the Northwestern campus.

***All submissions must be in good taste, truthful and free of libel, malice and personal controversy. Inclusion of any and all material is left to the discretion of the editor. Anonymous letters will not be printed although signed letters may be printed with name withheld. All material must be received in our offices at 225 Kyser by noon Monday before the Tuesday publication date. All materials are subject to editorial alteration. For more information, contact our staff at 357-5456.***

# Discretion important in choosing associations

## People should break through 'fronts' to make positive impact on others



**Mick Dorsey**

**Forum Viewpoint**

"Once again it's on." I would like to start off my first article of the semester by asking a very important question. Are people really practicing goodwill toward themselves and more importantly toward others?

Well, as I see it, a lot of people are putting on very good "fronts." They appear to be living a decent and respectful life when, in fact, they are living quite foul.

For instance: looking for their present or future drug contact to get another high; enticing inexperienced young ladies to do or believe something that they normally wouldn't, or talking to one group of people in a demeaning and derogatory fashion and saying to a different group that, "I could never talk that way about or to someone," — knowing damn well they're lying and that if the ground all of a sudden opened up and began to swallow up people, they know that they would be the first to go.

So am I pessimistic about our generation? Sometimes, yes. I feel that each person who comes in contact with another can either leave that person with a negative or a positive influence that will in fact be carried on to the next person they meet.

My beef is this: I don't like to be in a negative environment, and by my not knowing who has a righteous or corrupt state of mind this is hard to determine. So I'm always wondering, like many of you who feel the same, "Is she or is he negative or positive?"

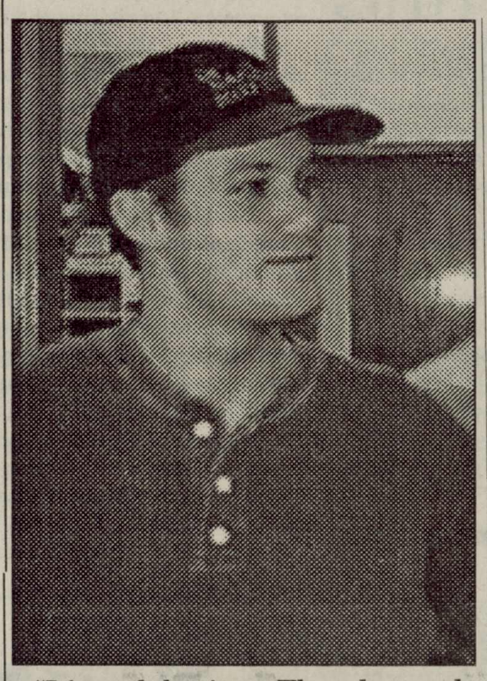
We basically ask ourselves this question all day long from the first class period all the way until we get back to our rooms, don't we? Well, what should we do? The only thing that I can suggest is to initiate the beginnings of a positive discussion.

If you're not an initiator, be a good receptor and decide whether or not this contact will become a frequent one. If you are confronted and are not in the mood to converse, handle the situation as politely as possible.

The main objective is to network with people who have a positive rapport and share similar attributes because we all know it's hard to distinguish the wolves from the real sheep.

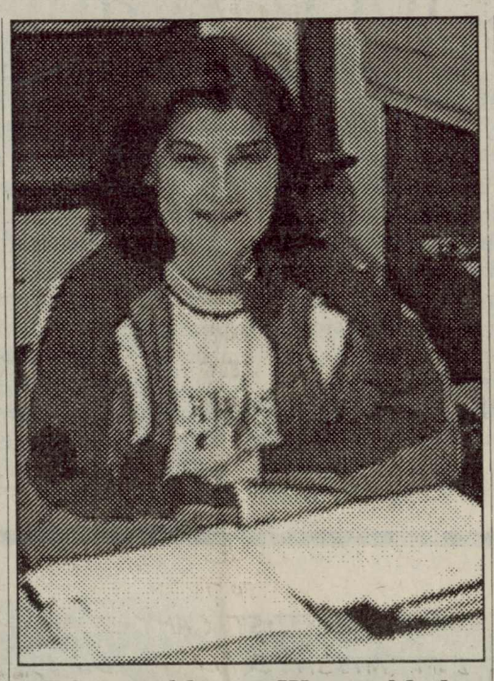
## CurrentQuotes

### What are your thoughts on the coverage of the O.J. Simpson case?



"It's too laborious. They dragged it out way too long. I don't think I should turn on the television every day and have to see the trial."

***Matthew Whitehead***
***Junior, Biology***



"It's overblown. We could do with the recaps on the trial, but we don't need full-time coverage."

***Margaret Kilcoyne***
***Director, Cooperative Education***



"I think it's pretty disgusting. It doesn't need to be on every channel all the time. The networks should change up airing it. ABC could air it one day and NBC the next."

***Gene Watts***
***Freshman, English***



"It's all utterly ridiculous. You turn on the television and it's on every channel. I waste too much of my energy changing channels."

***Kristen White***
***Freshman, Nursing***

## Boudreaux off-track in 'Nazi' article

Jeff Cobb

In response to Madelyn Boudreaux's recent article, I would like to tell her that she merely shows her ignorance by spouting her lies. I agree that the word "Nazi" has changed meaning over the years so that it is now applied non-descriptly to describe any behavior that the user finds undesirable. But don't worry there is always Neo-Nazi, which describes people who follow Hitler's ideology. But the lie I was referring to occurred when you mentioned Rush Limbaugh. When Rush uses the term "Feminazi," he is not referring to all feminists. As a matter of fact, Rush has said that he believes there are only a handful of feminazis in the world. "Feminazi," according to the man who invented it, refers only to people who seem to want all pregnant women to have abortions, whether they want the child or not. These are people who get angry any time a woman chooses not to have an abortion. Notice that I said "people." That's right, men can be feminazis too. Despite the new meaning of Nazi, I think it is a fitting term for these people because of the holocaust they want subject the unborn babies of America to. I suppose if you would ever listen to Rush, or even call him and ask questions, you would know these things. But wait a minute, if you did that, you would risk overexposure to the TRUTH and that would end up busting your precious little bubble. You might even become a *gasp* conservative. Also, Ms. Boudreaux wrote about how Hitler rid his country of homosexuals and subversive art. This, she concludes, likens them to the religious right. Let me remind you that before Hitler could get rid of anybody else, he had to get rid of the citizens who owned guns, much like you and your liberal buddies are trying to do here in America. By the way, graphic photographs of grown men having sex with small children is NOT art, I don't care what anybody says. Neither is a "performance" in which a rag soaked with blood from an HIV positive man winds up hanging over the audience, with the blood dripping on the people as they scramble to get out of the building. Those are the kinds of so-called art conservatives are against.

Chuck Norwood

Dear Madelyn

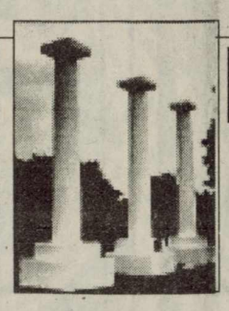
I felt the earnestness of your concern for the unwarranted use of the label "Nazi," to describe groups of people who hold differing political or philosophical convictions. Unfortunately your article breaks down on the level of accurate analysis and consistent content. This is demonstrated by your presentation of Rush Limbaugh and the so-called religious right.

You accuse Limbaugh of "calling women who seek such reforms as equal pay for equal work, feminazis." However, Limbaugh has consistently reaffirmed his support for women's rights in both the political and domestic realm. The term feminazi is reserved for ultra radical gender feminist who use hate of men as a weapon to advance their political agendas. I **am not** a ditto head but I do have an accurate knowledge of his political positions.

Secondly you accuse the religious right of, "dividing men and women into separate classes for the betterment of women." Then you characterize this as the equivalent of, "Nazi paranoia." However the religious right has never proposed the separation or subordination of the feminine gender. They have affirmed the traditional roles of men and women within the context of the nuclear family. The nuclear family is the cornerstone upon which society rests. Protecting it from redefinition and potential destruction is a socially responsible position end not "Nazi paranoia."

It is true that the religious right objects to "subversive" art and the homosexual lifestyle. They also object to heterosexual activity outside of marriage. Please note that these are philosophical objections. The religious right has never advocated any campaign to suppress artists, nor have they advocated eugenic extermination of homosexuals. The presentation of a philosophical presupposition is not a crime. To compare these presuppositions to Nazi policy without substantive examination is both intellectually lazy and journalistically irresponsible. Potential fascism thrives on both.

The premise of your article was to discuss the unwarranted labeling of various political groups. Yet you violated this premise by using inaccurate information in order to label and attack a group who holds a world view which is inconsistent with your own. This is a mistake Madelyn. It was the mistake of the Nazis. And to quote your own words, "Theirs are mistakes we don't want to repeat."



**Your View**

**Letters to the editor**

## Guns are still best protection

Jeff Cobb

This is in response to the recent editorial *Guns + People ?*. It is a dirty rotten liberal lie to say that there are methods of self-protection safer or more reliable than a gun. If you disagree, why don't you choose a martial art and become a master at it. Then get yourself a can of mace and a stun gun. Now what are you going to do when you meet a gangbanger who's pissed at you because you're wearing your favorite red and blue shirt?

Stun guns and martial arts won't help because he'll never be in arms reach. And, while mace would incapacitate the attacker if he gets within 15 feet of you, it won't matter because by the time he regains full use of his senses, you will have bled to death from a spray of bullets. As for the death of Theresa Rivers, it is certainly a tragedy when a nice person dies. Of course, it is also a shame when low-life liberals feel they must exploit such tragedies. I hesitate to mention the incident because I don't know all the facts (a true testament to the quality journalists at the *Current Sauce,* but I guess you get what you pay for). The reporter seemed to ignore the issue of what made her think she had the right to break into that house, or even who owned the house. After all, "nice" people don't usually go around breaking into abandoned houses at 11:30 p.m. What kind of people usually do that: burglars, junkies and other criminals. If I heard someone breaking into the house next door to me, I would be out there with my shotgun too, although I would have asked questions first and shot later. But the fact remains that a "nice" person made a "bad" decision and paid the price, however unfair that price was. It was wrong to put all of the blame for such a tragedy on the gun and/or gun owner as the editors of the paper did last week.

## CampusConnection

***NSU Lacrosse Club***

Anyone interested in beginning a Lacrosse team please call Jeff at 357-6771 and leave a message.

***Fellowship of Christian Students***

FCS meets at 7 p.m. every Wednesday night in Rm. 321 Student Union. All students are welcome to attend.

***Sigma Sigma Sigma***

The spirit committee needs to make signs for the Tri Sigmas in Miss LOB. Save your spare change for the Robbie Page memorial. Don't forget study hall is from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday.

On Tuesday, dress up and wear your badges. On Wednesday, wear your letters. On Thursday go out to Prather and give your Sigma support to those Demons as they go up against North Texas at 7:45 p.m. Friday. The curtain goes up at 7 p.m. as contestants compete for the title of Miss Lady of the Bracelet. Saturday, show Sigma support at the 7:45 p.m. NSU vs. UTA game. The chapter will meet Sunday at 7 p.m.

***Current Sauce***

Writers have a general staff meeting at 5 p.m. Monday in Rm. 225 Kyser. Reporters, photographers and editors are expected to attend. Anyone interested in joining the staff should come to the meeting also.

***Blue Key***

Applications for new members are available in Rms. 214 or 309 Student Union. They are due by noon. Applications must be typed. Membership requirements include 60 semester hours, 2.6 cumulative GPA and membership in two organiztions while holding office in at least one organization.

Our next meeting is at 6 p.m. Thursday in Rm. 214 Student Union. Members have been reminded of our attendance policy, so please be there. Volunteers for the LOB pageant need to be there at 6:30 Friday. For more information, contact Clay at 352-8827.

***ARAMARK/SAB***

There will be a Valentine's Day party from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. in The Alley. There will be food games and a comedy act. For further information, contact Kim Browning in LeRendezvous.

***Delta Sigma Theta***

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc. will have its Spring Rush '95 on Feb. 6 at 7 p.m. in the Presidents Room of the Student Union. Those interested send a transcript to Iota Mu Chapter NSU Box 4529. Interested ladies must have 20 semester hours and 2.5 cumulative GPA.

***Purple Jacket***

Purple Jacket will be accepting applications for membership in March. Requireinclude 60 semester hours, 3.0 cumulative GPA, membership in two committee while holding an office in at least one organization and enrolled for two more semesters.

For current members, our next meeting will be Feb. 8 in Rm. 321 of the Student Union.

# *Legends*: epic tale of madness, sibling strife

BRENDA BRYANT
*Current Sauce*

*Legends of the Fall* is a tale of madness. The madness that drives men to leave everything they hold dear, the madness that takes control of a person's soul.

This is the story of three brothers, Samuel (Henry Thomas) the idealist, Tristan (Brad Pitt) the untamable one and Alfred (Aidan Quinn), the mature and wise-beyond-his-years, over-protective older brother, and how their lives and relationships are destroyed by the woman they love. The story is told mostly through letters which piece together the events that destroy the entire family.

The trouble begins when Samuel, the youngest of the three brothers, brings his fiancee, Susanna (Julia Ormond) to the family's Montana ranch. Susanna and Tristan feel drawn to one another. However, they never act upon this feeling because of their deep love for Samuel.

Unfortunately, on the night before the brothers are to leave to join the Canadian army to fight in World War I, the eldest brother, Alfred, who is also in love with Susanna, sees them almost kiss. This creates tension between Alfred and Tristan and later Alfred blames Tristan for Samuel's death.

## REVIEW

The most gripping scene in the film has nothing to do with Susanna or the strange quadrangle that has been developing, but instead is when the brothers are fighting in World War I. (The battle scenes are extremely realistic including the use of mustard gas, barbed wire and machine guns.)

In this scene, Samuel, who has decided to volunteer to deliver a message through enemy lines, is confronted with the worst aspect of the war. While delivering the message, he is exposed to mustard gas and he begins to wander blindly through the forest.

Meanwhile, Tristan, who has sworn to protect Samuel, has received word of the mission and he runs after his younger brother. As each of them get closer to the other the tension builds. Then Samuel gets caught in some barbed wire, and as a horrified Tristan watches, Samuel is shot.

Samuel's death brings the story to a pivotal point. Now that Susanna is no longer engaged to Samuel, Alfred and Tristan will duel for her affections, and their fight will eventually tear the family apart.

The performances, including Pitt's Golden Globe-nominated one, are very convincing. However, it is Anthony Hopkins, as the father watching his family fall apart, who delivers the most realistic performance.

The actors portraying the brothers each capture the spirit of their characters. Thomas is compelling as the young idealistic Samuel, who would rather go to Canada and join the army than let anyone suffer oppression.

Quinn is equally terrific in the role of the over-protective, older brother Alfred. Pitt, while acting in his most captivating role to date, still appears to be begging for people to overlook his face and accept him as a serious performer which tends to undermine the sincerity of his performance.

Ormond does a fair job in the role of Susanna who is torn between the men, but after a while her tears seem more tedious than emotional.

At two and a half hours, the film is very long. There are moments when it begins to feel as if it has lost direction, which in a film of this length can be deadly. However, if an epic film is what you crave, this is the one for you.

# LOB: Twelve students vie for pageant title

*Continued from front page*

Reyna, a general studies major and graduate of Rosepine High School, is the daughter of Herbert and Peggy Green of Rosepine. She was the non-finalist talent winner at the 1994 Miss Louisiana Pageant. Reyna was a second runner up in the Miss Teen Louisiana Pageant. Her other honors include being named Miss Rosepine and homecoming queen at Rosepine High.

Richardson, a broadcast journalism major from Ruston, is the daughter of Danny Richardson and Susan Burns. She is a graduate of West Ouachita High. Richardson is a member of Circle K International and the Society of Professional Journalists. She finished third in the Miss Alaska National Teenager Pageant.

Triggs, a graduate of Natchitoches Central High School, is the daughter of Donald and Essie Harris. She is a pre-physical therapy major. Triggs is an honor roll student. She has also modeled and sung professionally.

Whatley, a music education major from Monroe, is the daughter of Barbara Candella and Ronnie Whatley. She is a graduate of Ouachita High School. She is chorale chairman for the Choir Council, and was an all-state voice in high school.

Wilbanks, a political science major, is the daughter of Gregg and Pat Wilbanks of Columbia. A graduate of Caldwell Parish High School, she is a member of Sigma Sigma Sigma sorority. She is a member of the Northwestern Theater Dance Ensemble.

Wilson is the daughter of David and Judy Wilson of Vivian. A graduate of Plain Dealing Academy, she is a nursing major with a minor in music. She is a member of Sigma Sigma Sigma sorority, serving as philanthropic chairperson.

# ComputerCorner

DEREK RABUCK
*Current Sauce*

## Fans get 'up close and personal' with music groups on Internet

Fans of today's popular music will now be able to enjoy the thrill of getting close and personal with some of today's biggest stars. Many popular musicians around the world have stepped into the 21st Century by bringing their fan clubs on-line through the Internet.

As the popularity of cyberspace increases, many fan clubs have decided to tap into the the computer scene that is becoming an ever-increasing addiction to many teenagers and adults around the world.

Due to the increase in the number of people logging onto the Internet, many record companies and musicians have decided to provide these possible listeners with the ability to find information about today's music scene.

Many of these Internet sites give you the ability to download video images, screen savers, tour dates, photographs and even to hear various songs that have or have not been released before.

The band Megadeth has even gone a step further by bringing Megadeth, Arizona on-line. Megadeth, Arizona not only gives fans the ability to see video images or to hear the bands' new music, but has been constructed to be more like a souvenir shop.

Megadeth, Arizona gives fans many different ways to enjoy themselves. With features like K-Deth radio, Vic's Megadiner and the Obituary, visitors can read song lyrics that have never been published, read a history of the band written by the best-selling novelist Dean Koontz, see video footage from concerts, order tee-shirts, and possibly talk directly to the band members themselves.

Occasionally, the band members of Megadeth log on and talk to the fans who are on-line visiting their Internet site.

Fans can also communicate with Megadeth and other popular musicians through numerous e-mail addresses.

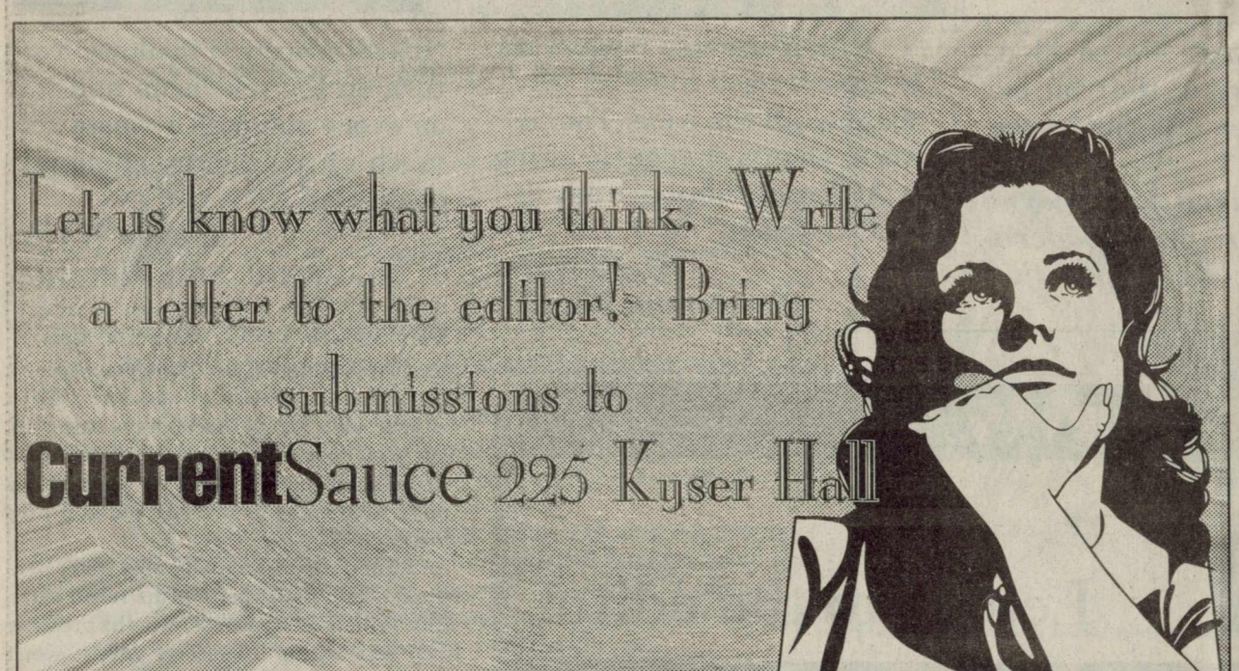
By accessing Megadeth, Arizona fans can also look for information about their favorite bands through the Underground. The Underground is an Internet site that is not sponsored by record companies or bands, but is written and controlled by fans themselves.

The Underground has information about hundreds of today's popular musicians and bands. From the Beastie Boys to Garth Brooks, the Underground provides fans with concert information, release dates for new records, TV show appearances and sometimes video images.

Internet sites are also available for the Beatles, the Black Crowes, Danzig, Bonnie Raitt and numerous others. With more and more sites coming on-line every day, music fans will be able to enjoy their favorite bands even more.

Megadeth, Arizona is accessible through World Wide Web at http://bazaar.com and the American records site at http://american.recordings.com

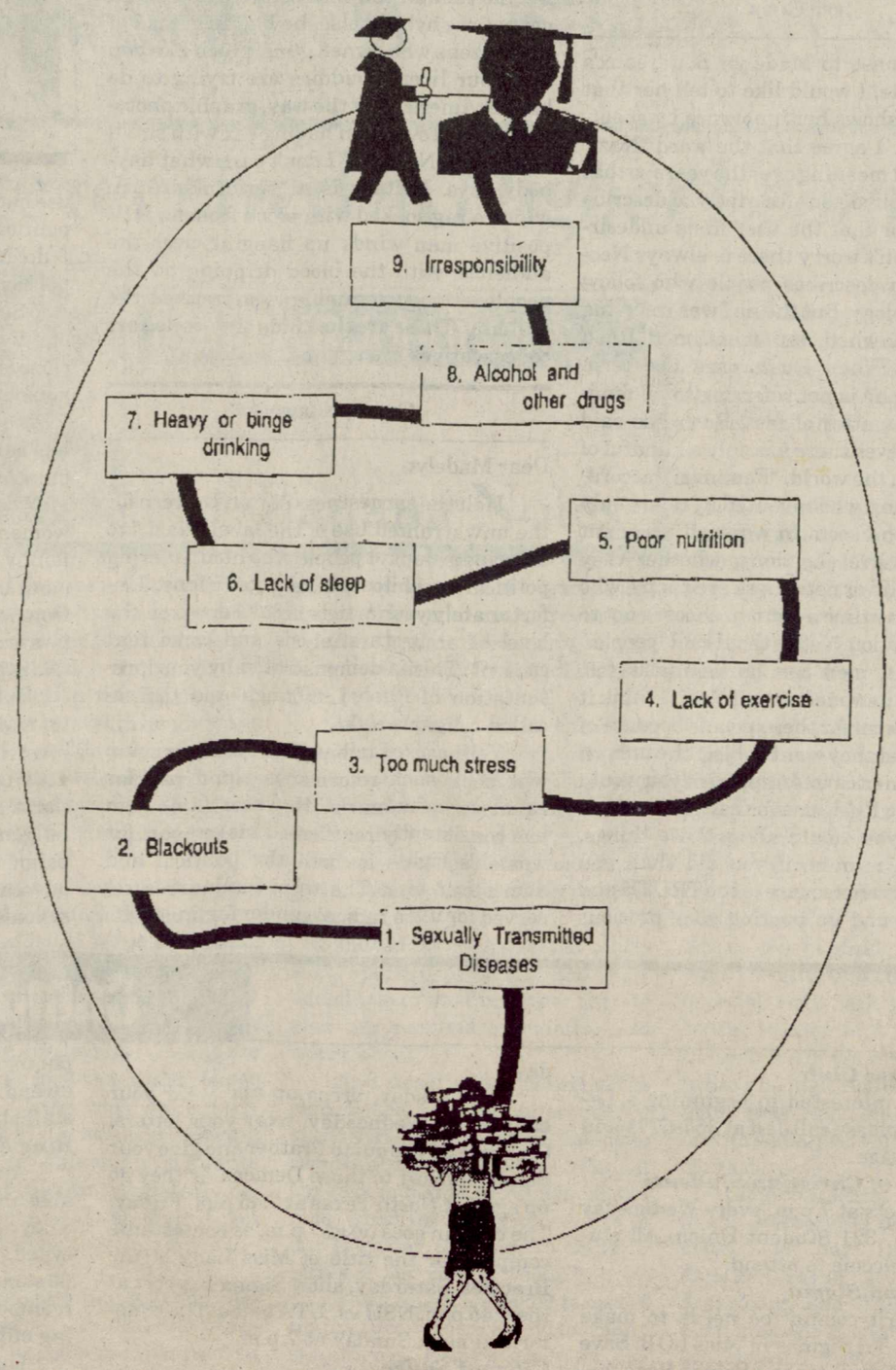
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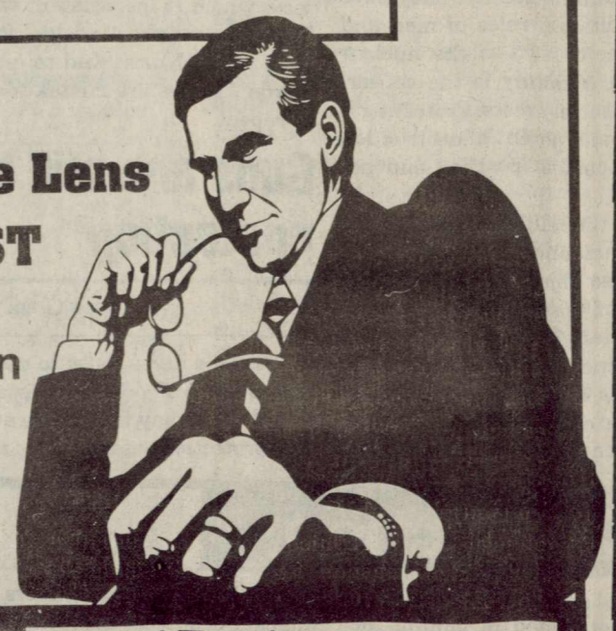

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# New network appeals to collegiate tastes

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*College Press Service*

It had been said by many a supposed expert that the advent of cable television would result in the slow, painful death of network television. Simply put, the experts were wrong.

NBC, ABC and CBS are doing just fine, thank you. Meanwhile, the Fox Broadcasting Company, on the air since 1987, has grown by leaps and bounds and most recently made news by snagging NFL football coverage away from CBS.

Now the launch of two new networks this month have added to the alphabet soup of the airwaves. Warner Bros.'s WB debuted Jan. 11, followed a week later by Paramount's United Paramount Network or UPN.

UPN hit the airwaves on Jan. 16 with the debut of the eagerly-awaited *Star Trek: Voyager,* the latest *Trek* spinoff. Among UPN's other shows, unveiled Jan. 17, are the Hawaii-based action-adventure *Marker*, with Richard Grieco as a young man who must repay the debts left behind by his dead father, and *The Watcher*, a Las Vegas-based anthology series with the rapper Sir Mix-A-Lot as its mysterious host.

It doesn't take more than a quick glance at the UPN's slate of shows to realize that the network is going after television audiences in the all-important 18-34 age group, a demographic of prime interest to advertisers.

Within that demographic, of course are millions of college students. "The college-age group is very important to us, especially with our programs," acknowledges Lucie Salhany, UPN's president and chief executive officer. "We're gearing towards that audience. We're trying to get younger shows, younger casts, more action. Our shows, so far reflect that."

UPN's sitcoms, *Platypus Man,* with funnyman Richard Jeni as a single cooking show host, and *Pig Sty,* an ensemble comedy about five 20-something bachelors sharing an apartment in New York City, both begin Jan. 23, following *Voyager.*

"If you look across the board [at the other networks] at, for example, eight o'clock, you see softer programming, more female-oriented programming.

"We'll be a little more action-oriented, somewhat more male-oriented. That's not to say we'll be turning off women. *Voyager* is certainly one of the purest demographically split of all our shows. It will appeal to both young men and women. *Marker*, we think we'll be action/adventure against softer, older, female-oriented shows."

Another show that seems especially likely to pull college students to their T.V. is *Pig Sty,* which features five handsome guys crammed into a small New York apartment. The guys are at that time of life where they're just kick-starting their careers, shirking responsibility, dating up a storm, and for economic reasons, rooming together. Along for the fun is Liz Vassey as Tess, the sexy building superintendent. One of the guys likes her, but Tess won't give him the time of the day. So, he keeps breaking things, forcing her to frequently visit the apartment.

Of course, she wouldn't bother coming to fix things personally if she didn't, deep-down, actually like the guy, but that's a subject to be tackled later.

"I sort of balance out the testosterone level on the set and on the show," notes the friendly Vassey, whom *E.R* fans will remember for her recurring roles as the nymphomaniac with a passion for doctors. "The guys are great. I think the show is very real in its own way, as real as a sitcom can get. Guys should like it and be able to relate to it. Most of the guys on the show with me have lived with other men in a house, and they say the show's stories are a lot like what they went through. So, I'm excited and I'm hoping that we'll catch on."

Rob Long and Dan Staley, who previously teamed to produce the last few seasons of *Cheers*, write and produce *Pig Sty.* Both men report that UPN has given them the freedom to push the envelope and get away with more than, say, *Friends*, an NBC show not too dissimilar to *Sty*. Also, they explain, because UPN is new, chances are the network will stick by the show even if it takes time to find an audience.

"We're trying to go for a classic-style ensemble comedy," Long said. "We're trying to build a strong ensemble with a lot of group stuff, the type of show where people have a favorite character or two. We wanted characters we hadn't seen before, so we also wanted actors who were young, enthusiastic and who you maybe hadn't seen so much before. That's what we got, and we're going from there."

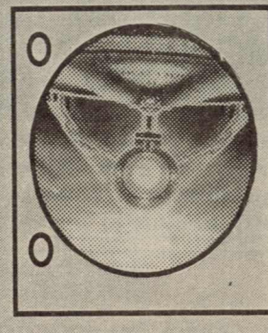
Behind the scenes at UPN, things are moving fast, as one might expect when an upstart tries to take on the big guns. UPN, in order to be worthy of being called a network, had to ferret out enough independent stations around the country willing to become affiliates and carry its programming.

Complicating matters was the fact that ABC, NBC, CBS, Fox and especially UPN's main rival, the new -Warner Bros. network, which was launched Jan. 11, also were vying for affiliates.

By the time WB debuted, it had amassed 50 affiliates, while UPN had secured 100 affiliates. Both networks claim to be available to more than 80 percent of American households with TV sets.

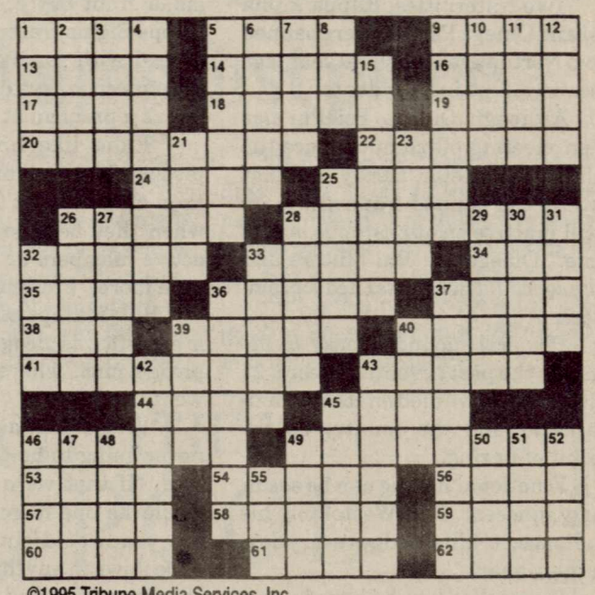
Now that UPN is up and running, Salhany is thinking long-term. Beginning Jan. 23, UPN will air Saturday afternoon movies from Paramount's archives. More nights of programming are planned and future series will include *Legend*, a Western with former *MacGyver* star Richard Dean Anderson in the lead, and a show about virtual reality created by *Star Trek* star Leonard Nimoy.

## On The Tube



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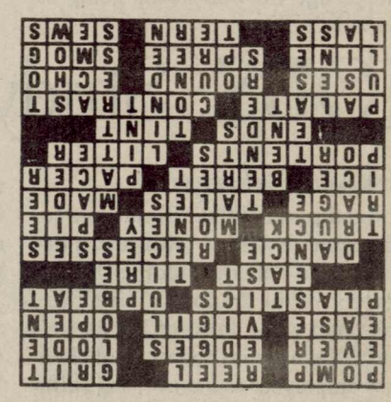


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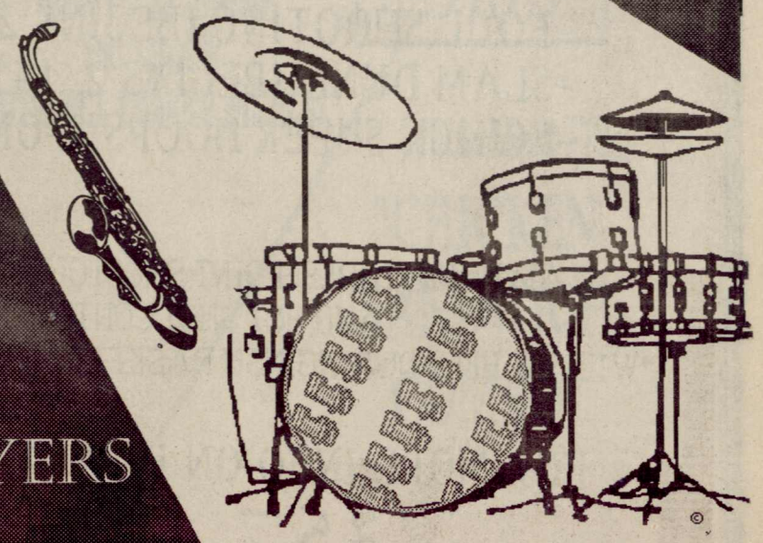
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# HAZING: Divides, weakens greek organizations

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hazing, and you take away their toys, their human Nintendo. They are going to whine."

Hazing, he said, actually promotes laziness among the "active" members and divides the organization, weakening it in the end.

It could also cost any fraternity or sorority found guilty of hazing its charter.

Two fraternities, Kappa Alpha Psi and Omega Psi Phi, were banned from Northwestern several years ago because of hazing incidents.

Although Omega Psi Phi has been meeting off campus since the fall 1993 semester, Henry said that both of the banned fraternities are "still inactive on our campus at this time." Omega Psi Phi officers and advisor could not be reached for comment.

Physical hazing is easy to define. In the past seventeen years, 27 young men have died on college campuses around the country as the result of hazing.

Emotional hazing can be seemingly innocent. But, Westol told his audience, it "kills pledges every day, in their heart."

He recalled how he hazed a particular pledge over twenty years ago. He and his fraternity brothers told the pledge he was never going to make it in life.

Fourteen years later, when the man's mother died, he had a nervous breakdown. His doctor traced his loss of confidence back to his Hell Week in college.

Some members of the audience thought Westol had valid points, but overdramatized the extreme negative aspects of fraternity and sorority initiations.

Matt Phillips, a senior biology major from Boyce, is a member of Kappa Sigma fraternity. He said he agreed with some of the constructive criticism, but does not see hazing as a problem at Northwestern.

"I did like his point that if pledges felt equal during initiation, then they wouldn't be in a clique when they became active, and the active members do need to participate more," Phillips said.

But, Phillips added, there were areas, such as pledges wearing their pledge pins, where he felt Westol went too far.

"Fraternities and initiations are never going to be perfect." Phillips said. "If that were the case, there would be one huge fraternity that everyone would join. There are going to be flaws in anything. But we take our fraternity and responsibilities seriously. I don't think hazing is a problem on our campus."

Dawn Vallery, a senior Phi Mu from Bossier City majoring in public relations, said. "The issues he covered were fine. We do need to be made aware of what goes on with physical and mental hazing. But he didn't answer my question: Where do you draw the line, what is hazing and what isn't?"

Westol warned that hazing includes *any* act that singles out pledges. Many practices thought to be harmless by students have been labeled by national Greek organizations as hazing and are no longer allowed.

Vallery said at Louisiana Tech, where there were over 200 active members in her chapter, the pledges each decorated a paddle.

According to Vallery, they were never hit with the paddle, and were not required to carry it with them at all times; the paddle was used as a device to have each pledge meet each active member on a one-to-one basis.

"Each pledge would get an active to sign it. In a big chapter, it helped the pledges get to know each active member," Vallery said.

According to Westol, that practice was considered hazing and is now forbidden.

"You don't work hard to get into a fraternity," Westol said. "You work hard to stay in it and keep your chapter strong."

# Gold Medal



***Science: Out of This World*, an Northwestern distance learning program, won a gold medal in a national competition Friday in New York City. Dr. Ron McBride (center), head of the Department of Telecommunications and Journalism, accepted the award from Robin Leach (left), anchor of the television show, *Lifestyles of the Rich and Famous*.**

# JOBS: Study predicts computer systems, engineering to dominate job market

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and computer skills. "Employers today aren't satisfied with just a degree," said Scheetz, adding that 58 percent of all graduates hired last year had some form of job experience. "Companies today want their new employees to have strong skills in public speaking, writing and reasoning. Grads should have good teamwork skills and customer service relations abilities, too."

Dawn Oberman, director of the College Placement Council, said that corporate recruiters have indicated that they will be increasing their campus visits in the spring. "It's the first time they've been expanding their searches in quite some time," Oberman said. "That should indicate that companies are looking to hire more graduates."

Like MSU's Scheetz, Oberman said the more work experience a college graduate has, the better. "Students that have a strong record of internships and summer jobs will have the inside track," she said. "Employers want to see that you have some experience working, even if it's a part-time job somewhere, to back up your degree."

Most graduates hired in 1995 will get jobs in the service and manufacturing industries, said Oberman, adding that jobs in government and nonprofit organizations will dramatically drop.

Scheetz agreed, predicting that the fastest growing areas of occupation are computer systems occupations, engineering, accounting and finance, sales and marketing, medical and health care occupations, environmental fields, sciences and mathematics and economic and community development.

While the employment situation is better across the United States, job opportunities are especially improved in the Southcentral and Northcentral regions of the nation. Opportunities in the Northwest and Northeast lag behind the rest of the country, but they are still higher than in recent years.

Those entering the job market shouldn't expect a quick search. Although the outlook is brighter than in past years, most students still can expect a six- to eight-month search, said Linn Ann Thomas, placement director at the University of Illinois at Chicago.

"Depending on the range of a job search, most students should assume they will be spending at least six months looking for work," Thomas said. "For some, that's a long wait, but students have to remember that they are looking for a career, not just a job. Their first job is only their first step."

Thomas said that graduates can improve their job search by not limiting themselves to random resume mailings. "If a student begins to network while in school, he'll find a lot more options when it comes time to look for a job," she said.

Officials at the U.S. Department of Labor predict that job growth for college graduates will continue until at least 2005.

Those occupations that show signs of the most growth are teachers, computer systems analysts, engineers, scientists, registered nurses, physicians, physical therapists, social workers and human services workers.

But the continued growth doesn't necessarily guarantee a job for everyone. Labor officials estimate that 17.9 million graduates will join the labor force in the next 16 years, while only 13.7 million entry jobs requiring college degrees will open up.

The future job market will be more competitive than ever, as graduates will have to vie for the available positions.

Still, nearly 25 percent of graduates will end up working in an occupation that traditionally does not require a college degree, the Labor Department predicts.


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# SportsBriefs

## McMillon breaks record

Senior Kenny **McMillon** became the Demons' all-time leader in three-point shooting in Thursday's 74-65 win over UT-San Antonio.

McMillon, a 5-11, 202-pound guard from Logansport, surpassed the school record of 172 three-pointers by **Larry Terry** (1990-94) with a 20-footer at the 14:40 mark of the second half.

McMillon now looks to join the 1,000-point club this season. He needs only 142 points in the next 10 games, an average of 14.2 per contest.

## Garner hits the glass

All-America candidate **Joskeen Garner** has moved into second place on the all-time Lady Demons rebounding list, trailing only **Linda Grayson** by 228 boards. The 6-0 junior forward from Florien, has 895 career rebounds in 74 games for a 12.1 per game average.

## Top golfer signs

One of Mexico's top junior golfers will compete for Northwestern next fall, Demon golf coach **Craig Rex** announced recently.

**Luis Archiga** of Guadalajara, Mexico will bring an impressive resume from extensive international junior competition when he enrolls next fall. He was selected to represent Mexico in the Junior America's Cup matches in 1992 and 1993.

# Aerobic, exercise programs offered through intramurals

In addition to the usual spring semester activities, the Department of Leisure Activities and Recreational Sports has developed several programs for students who want to improve their level of fitness.

Aerobics are held twice a day, with step aerobics classes at 8:00 p.m. Monday-Friday. For beginners, a low impact aerobics class is offered at 4:30 p.m. All classes are in the gymnasium of the Intramural Building.

A cycling and rowing program is also available to interested faculty and students. This program involves using stationary bikes and rowing machines to accumulate a set number of miles and specific destinations around the map of Louisiana. Participants who reach the specified goals will earn prizes and a club tee-shirt as well as improving their level of fitness.

For those who are seeking a workout partner, a program has been developed called Partner Systems. This program is for individuals who share a similar time interest and fitness goal for working out.

Personalized exercise prescriptions are being offered to help anyone meet specific goals. Exercise prescriptions are given on Fridays by appointment only with Scott Bruscato or Brad Sieves.

For information on these and other intramural programs, contact the Department of Leisure Activities at 357-5461.

# LADY DEMONS: Win claims first place

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much as six with 13 minutes left when the Lady Demons went to work.

A 10-7 spurt by Northwestern closed the margin to 47-44 with 9:22 remaining, and when Shaw popped a three-pointer from the top of the key with 8:54 to go in the game, the Lady Demons had pulled even again at 47.

Shaw, who led all scorers with 19 points and also dished out five assists, drew a foul from Caesar on the next Northwestern possession and sank both free throws to five the Lady Demons the lead for good at 49-47. The Lady Bobcats would get no closer than two the rest of the way.

Northwestern ended the night with a 49-42 advantage in rebounds and 21-16 in turnovers. The shooting in the second half also picked up for the Lady Demons, who finished the contest at 37.7 percent (26-69).

"It feels good," Garner said of first place. "This is the first time since I've been here that we've been in this position. It'll be interesting to see how we try to hold on to it."

"It's a feeling," Shaw said. "It's good to know that they [SFA] lost and it's all in our hands."


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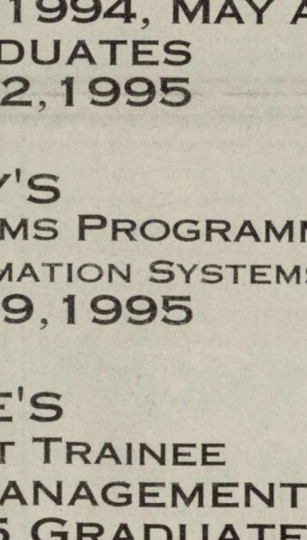
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**Men' Standings (through 1/28)**

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|---|---|---|
| Nicholls St. | 12-4 | 8-1 |
| North Texas | 11-6 | 6-3 |
| Northeast La. | 6-13 | 6-3 |
| Southwest Texas | 10-6 | 5-4 |
| **Northwestern** | **10-7** | **5-4** |
| UT-San Antonio | 7-9 | 4-5 |
| Stephen F. Austin | 7-9 | 4-5 |
| McNeese St. | 6-10 | 3-6 |
| Sam Houston St. | 5-12 | 2-7 |
| UT-Arlington | 5-12 | 2-7 |

| **Scoring** | Pts/Gm. |
|---|---|
| R. Jackson, Nicholls | 21.6 |
| G. King, Nicholls | 21.3 |
| M. Anderson, UT-SA | 20.1 |
| A. Smith, North Texas | 19.4 |
| L. Carr, Northeast | 18.4 |
| **T. Brown, Northwestern** | **16.7** |
| T. Long, Southwest Texas | 16.2 |
| A. Pazdrazdis, McNeese | 16.2 |
| D. Preston, Sam Houston | 15.4 |
| M. Dillard, Sam Houston | 15.4 |

| **Rebounding** | Rbs/Gm. |
|---|---|
| R. Jackson, Nicholls | 11.9 |
| J. Rouzan, SFA | 11.4 |
| A. Smith, North Texas | 8.3 |
| **T. Brown, Northwestern** | **8.2** |
| H. Lee, Northeast | 8.1 |
| G. King, Nicholls | 7.5 |
| Q. McLeod, Sam Houston | 7.3 |
| D. Johnson, UTA | 7.1 |
| D. Miller, North Texas | 6.8 |
| M. Anderson, UT-SA | 6.7 |

| **Assists** | Ast/Gm. |
|---|---|
| R. Washington, Nicholls | 7.0 |
| **R. Bundy, Northwestern** | **5.6** |
| T. Wordlaw, UT-SA | 5.3 |
| P. Curtis, McNeese | 5.2 |
| K. Peoples, Sam Houston | 5.1 |
| P. Banks, UTA | 4.7 |
| R. Floyd, SFA | 4.3 |
| T. Etchison, North Texas | 4.2 |
| T. Castle, Nicholls | 4.1 |
| T. Green, Sam Houston | 4.1 |

| **Steals** | Stls/Gm. |
|---|---|
| R. Washington, Nicholls | 2.8 |
| F. Flournoy, McNeese | 2.8 |
| A. Pazdrazdis, McNeese | 2.6 |
| D. Watts, Nicholls | 2.3 |
| R. Jackson, Nicholls | 2.1 |
| P. Curtis, McNeese | 1.9 |
| D. Wordlaw, McNeese | 1.9 |
| G. King, Nicholls | 1.8 |
| P. Marshall, Northeast | 1.7 |
| T. Castle, Nicholls | 1.6 |

| **Blocked Shots** | Blk/Gm. |
|---|---|
| F. Mata, Sam Houston | 1.7 |
| F. Flournoy, McNeese | 1.2 |
| G. King, Nicholls | 1.2 |
| D. Newton, Northeast | 1.0 |
| Q. McLeod, Sam Houston | 1.0 |
| H. Lee, Northeast | 0.9 |
| J. Schulte, Southwest Texas | 0.9 |
| T. Mumford, McNeese | 0.7 |
| **J. Whittaker, Northwestern** | **0.6** |
| Travis Clark, Southwest Texas | 0.6 |

| **3-Pt. Pct.** | |
|---|---|
| K. Barker, SFA | .479 |
| L. Carr, Northeast | .469 |
| T. Long, Southwest Texas | .469 |
| E. Leftwich, SFA | .418 |
| M. Anderson, UT-SA | .414 |
| M. Dillard, Sam Houston | .400 |
| R. Floyd, SFA | .400 |

**Women's Standings (through 1/28)**

| | W-L | SLC |
|---|---|---|
| **Northwestern** | **12-4** | **8-1** |
| Stephen F. Austin | 11-6 | 7-2 |
| UT-Arlington | 7-9 | 6-2 |
| Sam Houston | 9-8 | 6-3 |
| McNeese St. | 10-6 | 5-4 |
| Southwest Texas | 10-7 | 5-4 |
| North Texas | 4-13 | 4-5 |
| Northeast La. | 1-14 | 1-7 |
| Nicholls St. | 1-15 | 1-8 |
| UT-San Antonio | 5-10 | 0-8 |

| **Scoring** | Pts/Gm. |
|---|---|
| R. Daniels, McNeese | 19.7 |
| L. Hale, Sam Houston | 16.9 |
| **J. Garner, Northwestern** | **15.6** |
| Y. Wilkerson, Southwest Texas | 15.5 |
| N. Johnson, UTA | 15.4 |
| L. Bonnett, SFA | 15.3 |
| K. Price, SFA | 15.3 |
| C. Black, McNeese | 15.2 |
| **B. Williams, Northwestern** | **14.9** |
| A. Singleton, UT-SA | 14.7 |

| **Rebounding** | Rbs/Gm. |
|---|---|
| **J. Garner, Northwestern** | **13.3** |
| D. Jones, Southwest Texas | 11.3 |
| L. Hale, Sam Houston | 11.0 |
| S. Spriggs, UTA | 8.4 |
| R. Daniels, McNeese | 8.3 |
| K. Dowell, UTA | 8.0 |
| C. Blackwell, McNeese | 7.6 |
| C. Smith, SFA | 7.4 |
| Y. Wilkerson, Southwest Texas | 7.3 |
| M. Emory, UT-SA | 7.3 |

| **Assists** | Asts/Gm. |
|---|---|
| **S. Shaw, Northwestern** | **5.3** |
| L. Richardson, Sam Houston | 5.1 |
| **J. Garner, Northwestern** | **5.0** |
| T. Pepper, UT-SA | 4.7 |
| L. Lewis, SFA | 4.4 |
| D. Taylor, North Texas | 4.4 |
| I. Parker, McNeese | 4.2 |
| M. McMullin, Southwest Texas | 4.1 |
| C. French, McNeese | 3.9 |
| B. Leonardi, Nicholls | 3.7 |

| **Steals** | Stls/Gm. |
|---|---|
| L. Richardson, Sam Houston | 3.6 |
| C. French, McNeese | 3.3 |
| **J. Garner, Northwestern** | **3.1** |
| L. Hale, Sam Houston | 3.0 |
| D. Jones, Southwest Texas | 2.4 |
| **A. Simpson, Northwestern** | **2.4** |
| M. Jennings, Northeast | 2.3 |
| I. Parker, McNeese | 2.2 |
| **B. Williams, Northwestern** | **2.2** |
| K. Armour, SFA | 2.2 |

| **Blocked Shots** | Blk/Gm. |
|---|---|
| S. Spriggs, UTA | 3.2 |
| M. Emory, UT-SA | 2.7 |
| **J. Garner, Northwestern** | **2.0** |
| D. Jones, Southwest Texas | 1.7 |
| L. Bonnett, SFA | 1.1 |
| **S. Baxter, Northwestern** | **0.9** |
| C. Blackwell, McNeese | 0.8 |
| Y. Wilkerson, Southwest Texas | 0.7 |
| R. Daniels, McNeese | 0.7 |
| T. Smith, UT-SA | 0.7 |

# Little things mean a lot in Demons' loss to Bobcats

David Weaver
*Current Sauce*

Little things killed the Demons in Saturday's heartbreaking 64-63 loss to the Southwest Texas Bobcats.

Little things such as free throw shooting, of which the Demons did little down the stretch.

Little things such as allowing the Bobcats' best shooter to drive the baseline for an uncontested layup at the buzzer.

Little things such as a sprained ankle to starting point guard Ryan Bundy in the first half which knocked him out of the game and forced the Demons into uncomfortable matchups.

These factors and the unconscious shooting of Southwest Texas in the second half spelled doom for the Demons, who fell to 10-7 overall and 5-4 in the Southland Conference. Southwest Texas improved to 10-6 and 5-4.

"They [Bobcats] played a very good basketball game tonight," Demon Head Coach J. D. Barnett said. "They didn't play like a team that hadn't won a road game tonight."

The Demons led only twice on the night, with the second lead coming on a Tarius Brown free throw with 13 seconds left in the game. Following a timeout, the Bobcats' Tony Long, who scored a game-high 18 points, drove the left baseline and got off a scoop layup that dropped through the net as the buzzer sounded.

"We told them that Long would take the shot," Barnett said. "They set some screens and made some things happen."

Southwest Texas, which had not won a game away from home all season, was constantly putting pressure on the Demons with the play of Long and point guard Dameon Sansom, who chipped in 11 points for the Bobcats, including three-of-three from beyond the three-point line.

"They played a better first half than we did," Brown, who led the Demons with 14 points, said. "It was a matter of who wanted it most from the get-go."

Following Northwestern's only first half lead at 5-4, the Bobcats took charge with a Sansom three-pointer to take the lead until the Brown free throw at the end. The Bobcats led by as many as seven in the first half, with the final seven-point advantage coming at the 1:40 mark of the half, 34-27.

But the Demons' Charlie Johnson, subbing for the injured Bundy, nailed a three from the right wing with 42 seconds left, and forward J. R. Whittaker swished a 12-foot jumper at the halftime buzzer to pull the Demons to 34-32 at the break.

Southwest Texas opened the second half on a 4-0 run to push the lead to 38-32. But the Demons, led by Brown, would not let the Bobcats become comfortable with the lead. Brown scored the first five points of the half to keep Northwestern close, 40-37, with 17:21 remaining.

But the Bobcats scorched the nets the rest of the way, keeping the Demons at bay with a torrid 63.2 percent shooting performance in the second half. Southwest Texas hit 12 of 19 shots in the second half, 4-6 from three-point range.

"I don't think we're a great defensive team, but we're not a defensive team that should give up 63 percent in the second half," Barnett said. "They just pounded us and pounded us, and you've got to give them credit for that."

To their credit, however, the Demons were able to somehow keep the game close in the second half despite the unbelievable shooting by the Bobcats. When Sansom hit a three at the 5:15 mark of the half, the Demons trailed by only six at 62-56.

The Demons then went to work, using some tough rebounding by Charles Duncan, who pulled down a game-high seven boards, and some clutch shooting by guard Keith Tisdell to pull within two at 62-60 with 1:39 remaining.

Brown stole a Bobcat pass on the next possession, and following a timeout the Demons set up a play for Tisdell, who was fouled as his bank shot high off the glass fell through. Tisdell missed the free throw, but the Demons had tied the game at 62 apiece with 43 seconds remaining.

Following a Chris Trailer rebound of a missed Bobcat free throw by Quadell Kimble, Brown was fouled and stepped to the line. His first shot rimmed in and out, and the second was perfect to give the Demons their faint 63-62 lead.

But Long, who had been held in check for most of the second half, scored the only Bobcat points of the final 5:15 and enough for the 64-63 nail-biting win.

*"They just pounded us and pounded us, and you've got to give them credit for that."*

**J. D. Barnett, Demon Head Coach**

"When you lose a guy that plays 30 minutes a game and practices with the first team, it hurts," Barnett said of the loss of Bundy, who came into the game second in the SLC in assists. "It changed the entire complexion of the game. The players miss Bundy not only because of his scoring and his ability to get the ball into the right people's hands, but because he's the guy who's directing them and that they respond to.

"We can't lose Tarius and we can't lose Bundy. We don't have anybody off the bench that can take their place. We don't have any inside scoring without Tarius and we don't have anyone who can run the show for us besides Ryan Bundy. His injury changed the entire personality of our game."

Barnett was at a loss for words as to how the Demons would bounce back from such a crushing loss.

"You don't walk off a one-point loss and say where you're going to go from it," he said. "You've got to sit down and analyze why it happened and see what you can do to change what happened."

The Demons' search for why begins Thursday in Prather Coliseum with a now-crucial game against North Texas, which pounded Northwestern 77-52 back on Jan. 7. The Eagles will come into the matchup with an 11-6 overall mark and 6-3 SLC mark in a game which Northwestern must win.

# Demons' play sends message to 'experts'

College basketball is a funny game.

Perhaps the sport can best be described as the only sport in Ame where an underdog is never truly an underdog.

To back up this statement, one needs only to mention the Georget Villanova title game of Patrick Ewing vs...Ed Pinckney?

Or how about that grand classic of all matchups, the infamous Slamma Jamma of (then) Akeem Olajuwon and Clyde Drexler of Hou against the Wolfpack of North Carolina State in 1983? Remember the coach Jim Valvano's victory lap in search of Lorenzo Charles after a win tip-in?

These examples are perhaps at the top of a list that continues to gr and that list of surprising upsets must include the 1994-95 edition o Demons.




Now, make no mistake. The Den aren't making Final Four reservations just and really aren't making NCAA Tourna plans, either. But considering where this began in November and where it sits now Demons have pulled off what must be co ered a classic Cinderella story, even if they dent the win column from this point on.

The fact that Northwestern was ta in every poll imaginable to finish 10th league of 10 schools was not very hard to u stand. The Demons opened the season w new head coach in J. D. Barnett, a man wh built a reputation in his career as a rebuilder of broken basketball grams. In stints at Louisiana Tech, Virginia Commonwealth and T Barnett had earned a career record of 262-150 on the Division I level, seven trips to the Big Dance to his credit and a few NIT berths as we

But the savior of Northwestern men's basketball must have spent sleepless nights after looking over the roster for his initial seaso Natchitoches. Only one starter who had seen quality minutes in the p senior shooting guard Kenny McMillon—awaited Barnett. There w few lettermen returning, such as Keith Tisdell and Chris Trailer, but fo most part the Demons would be forced to put together a rag-tag gro freshmen and transfers for the '94-95 campaign.

Barnett's first chore was to gather those freshmen in about a w time. Despite the limited recruiting time, he was able to put togeth decent class that included the likes of point guard Ryan Bundy, post LeGrand, guard Charles Duncan, guard Charlie Johnson, and for Darron Garner, as well as transfers J. R. Whittaker and Marquis Staf

Then came the predictions. In some "expert" opinions, Northwes would have to struggle to win *five* ballgames. These pollsters looked a lack of size and speed and supposed lack of general basketball tale make their predictions. Most felt that a typical Northwestern game w include defenses shutting down McMillon and running up huge sc Most saw opposing teams with a big OPEN date on the schedule inste Northwestern.

There was only a group of about 15 people who seemed to disagree this theory—the Demons and their coaches.

Northwestern took care of the five wins by early December as roared out of the gate to win five of their first six contests, includi blowout 100-86 victory over a respected South Alabama program i BYU Classic. The loss to the "lowly" Demons prompted South Alaba fire its coach after that game.

As far as the talent, the Demons still lack considerable amounts But something keeps this team winning games, despite Saturday's wrenching loss to Southwest Texas.

Senior walk-on Tarius Brown has been perhaps the key member o unbelievable run by the Demons. Playing much of the past month w injured knee which keeps him from practicing, Brown leads the Demo both scoring (16.8 per game) and rebounding (8.4 per game) and has p much taken over a leadership role on the team. Barnett put his stam Brown's importance when he simply said, "We can't win without Ta

McMillon has been the focal point of opposing defenses, averaging 10.6 points per game. But he has become the most prolific three- shooter in Northwestern history, and his experience and leadership o court has helped Bundy adjust to the college game.

Throw in contributing performances from LeGrand, who starts a post, and the other freshmen, and Northwestern has remained compet

Who gets the credit? Well, Barnett and his coaches have do masterful job of having this team sitting where it is and staying in the u echelon of the Southland Conference standings.

But the Demons themselves have taken on a huge task of overachie and battling those that predicted doom for them this season. This appears to be having a little more fun playing the game each time o

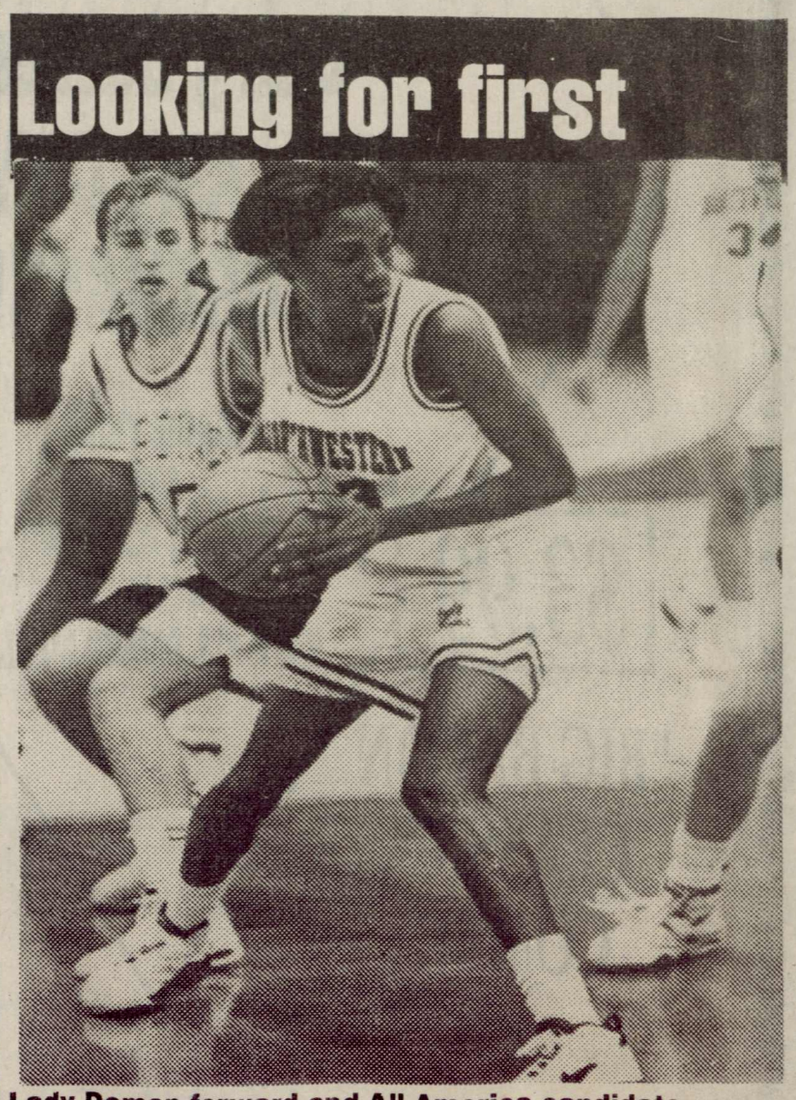
There were even a few alley-oops, dunks, and fist-pumping in Thurs win over a talented UT-San Antonio team. There doesn't seem to be a pressure in these guys' faces at the moment.

The Demons might not win another game this season. But this has already shown that last place is not a place for them.

They know the only real poll that counts is the one taken in Ma

Physical play of Southwest Texas causes problems

# Lady Demons pull out tough win; stand alone in first after SFA loss




**Lady Demon forward and All-America candidate Joskeen Garner makes a move during a recent game. Garner led the Lady Demons in sole possession of first place with 12 points and 16 rebounds in Saturday's 66-57 win over Southwest Texas.**

David Weaver
*Current Sauce*

During Saturday's 66-57 win over Southwest Texas, the Lady Demons saw a lot of things fall into place.

First place, for starters.

Thanks to the University of Texas-Arlington's 61-54 win over Stephen F. Austin almost to the minute of Northwestern's victory, the Lady Demons now sit alone atop the Southland Conference standings with what is essentially a two-game lead over the Ladyjacks.

"We felt like we controlled our destiny prior to this game," Lady Demon Coach James Smith said. "If we could possibly win out, we would win the conference. With SFA's loss at UTA, that kind of gives one game of slack."

Northwestern (12-4, 8-1 SLC) now holds a one-game lead in the standings with a win over the Ladyjacks as a bonus. Now SFA must defeat the Lady Demons in a rematch Feb. 18 in Prather Coliseum and also hope that someone else can knock off Northwestern in order to take a seventh consecutive conference title.

"I thought UTA would give them (the Ladyjacks) problems because they play such good defense," Smith said. "I was just wondering if UTA could score enough points to win. I thought it would definitely be a tough game for SFA."

The upset in Arlington would not have had near the importance it did if the Lady Demons had not been able to overcome a tenacious Southwest Texas defense which throttled Northwestern in the first half. The Lady Bobcats ( 10-7, 5-4 SLC) used a physical inside game to go in at halftime with a surprising 30-23 lead over the Lady Demons.

"You can see on the tapes that they [Lady Bobcats] are going to push and shove you under the basket," Smith said. "They are a very strong rebounding team and we were hoping to create some turnovers and get some easy baskets."

The Lady Demons got nothing easy in the first half, shooting only nine of 32 field goals (28.1 percent). Northwestern also committed 13 turnovers to just 11 for Southwest Texas while being outrebounded by one, 21-20.

After the Lady Demons took a 19-12 lead with 7:30 remaining in the half, the Lady Bobcats finished with an 18-4 run and held Northwestern to just a Stephanie Shaw jumper and Bridgete Williams l

Southwest Texas' Lisa Ca who came into the game avera only 5.6 points per game, naile straight three-pointers in the minute to give the Lady Bo their halftime advantage.

"We had kind of expected cause are so much bigger tha Northwestern forward Joskeen ner said of the Lady Bobcats' powering play in the first half knew they were going to com and do that, and we were rea it."

Garner, the Lady Demons America candidate, led the N western comeback in the second scoring eight of her 12 points d the half. The leading SLC rebou Garner also began working boards as she ripped down 10 o 16 rebounds after halftime.

Still, Southwest Texas led

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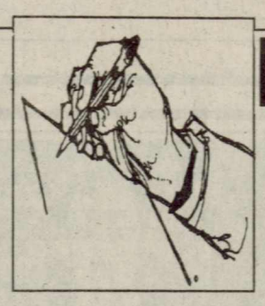
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Credit for growth of the University goes to many people


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**MUSIC STUDENTS SELECTED IN STATE HONOR BAND:** Four music students were chosen to perform in the Louisiana Intercolligiate Honor Band in Baton Rouge. It is held bi-annually for all collegiate musicians throughout the state. **Page 2**

**NSU TO OFFER MANAGER TRAINING COURSE IN ARCHEOLOGY:** The training course will be held Feb. 13-17 in the President's Room in the Student Union by the National Center for Preservation Technology and Training. **Page 2**

**NSU TO HOLD EUROPEAN BUSINESS STUDY IN GERMANY, SWITZERLAND AND AUSTRIA:** Students will learn international business from managers who compete in the global marketplace. **Page 2**

### CITY

**NATCHITOCHES CENSUS OFFICE OPENS:** In a packed building last Tuesday, state and city officals helped celebrate the the opening of the census office for the development of plans for the 2000 census. The test will be conducted in six Northwest Louisiana parishes: Bienville, De Soto, Jackson, Red River, Winn and Natchitoches.

### STATE

**OIL SPILLS INTO GULF SUNDAY:** According to Coast Guard Officals, two Norwegian oil tankers collided Sunday at 9:45 a.m. They spilled fuel into the Gulf of Mexico, about 45 miles east of Freeport.

### NATION

**RACED-BASED SCHOLARSHIP SUIT HEADED TO HIGH COURT:** A case that could determine the future legality of minority-based scholarships is headed to the U.S. Supreme Court.The U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit has declined to hear an appeal in January by the University of Maryland in support of their Benjamin Benneker Scholarship, which is only available to African-American students. Daniel Podberesky sued the university in 1990, after he was denied the Benneker scholarship because of his race. Podberesky, who is Hispanic, told the court that he was entitled to one of the remaining scholarships for that year because he had higher test scores and grades than all of the applicants except two. Although a lower court ruled in favor of the university, that ruling was overturned by a federal appeals panel.

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# NSU spring enrollment sets new record

Northwestern set another enrollment record for the spring semester as 8,505 students enrolled for the current term, according to registrar Hugh Durham.

This is the ninth time in the last 11 semesters that the University has set an enrollment record. This the first time spring enrollment has exceeded 8,500. The spring enrollment is an increase of 284 students over last spring's enrollment of 8,221, an increase of 3.5 percent. Last fall's enrollment at Northwestern was 8,761.

President Robert Alost said this spring's enrollment increase "underscores the stability of the university in recent years and reflects the growing interest of students in the exciting and innovative academic programs that are available at Northwestern."

He attributed the University's growth to an "outstanding and dedicated faculty and staff who provide instructional and research experiences that challenge and enrich Northwestern students."

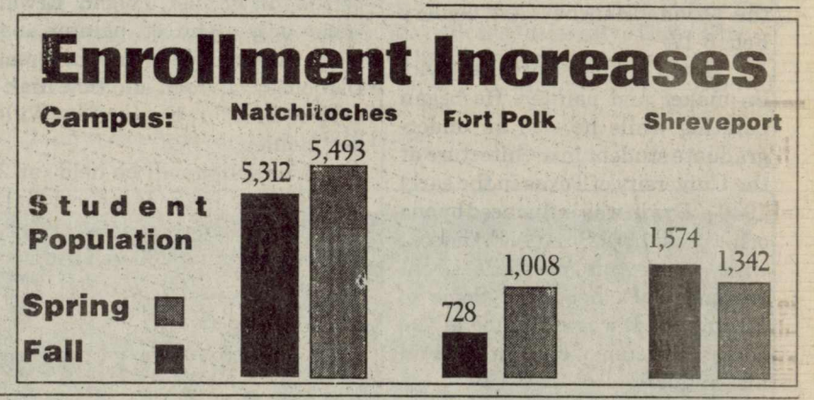
Alost said students "are also a major factor in the University's dramatic enrollment increases in the past decade,because they have helped create a positive image at the institution and an atmosphere of vitality on campus that attracts prospective students."

Northwestern's enrollment has climbed steadily since 1986 when Alost became president. Enrollment has increased by 3,223 students since Alost took office, an increase of 61.3 percent.

Enrollment on the Natchitoches campus increased by 181 students this spring from 5,312 to 5,493, an increase of 3.4 percent. The number of full-time students on the Natchitoches campus is up from 4,457 to 4,723, jump of 6 percent. Enrollment on the Shreveport campus, made up largely of nursing students, decreased from 1,574 to 1,342.

A total of 1,008 students were enrolled at Fort Polk, an increase of 226 students, and enrollment at the sites in North and Central Louisi-


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## New Reign



# Miss Northwestern Lady of the Bracelet

## Leigh Cole wins LOB title Friday

JANE BALDWIN
*Current Sauce*

Leigh Cole, a sophomore nursing major, claimed the Miss Northwestern Lady of the Bracelet title in the packed A.A. Fredericks Fine Arts Auditorium Friday night.

"It's been hectic, but exciting," Cole said. "I am enjoying the moment."

First runner-up was Farrah Reyna, second runner-up was Rose Triggs, third runner-up was Christy Moncrief and fourth runner-up was April Wilson. The Miss Congeniality title went to Jennifer Wilbanks and Rose Triggs was awarded the People's Choice Award which is voted on by the pageant audience.

Farrah Reyna won the swimsuit competition and Rose Triggs and Leigh Cole tied in the talent competition. Leigh Cole won the evening gown competition.

A panel of five judges selected the winners out of the twelve contestants in this year's pageant. The contestants competed in four events: the interview, which was held prior to Friday night's competition, as well as the talent, swimsuit and evening gown competition.

"This is more than I expected," Cole said. "I worked hard to prepare for the pageant, but I didn't know how it would turn out."

Cole is not a newcomer to the pageant. She competed in last year's LOB pageant and won first runner-up behind Rebecca Bacle.

The Lady of the Bracelet Pageant was sponsored by the Student Activities Board. The pageant was filled with big band and jazz music provided by the NSU Jazz Band


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**(Left) Leigh Cole, the new Miss Northwestern Lady of the Bracelet, is in the spotlight after her coronation. (Above) Dancers from the Theater Department and music fromthe NSU Jazz Band provide entertainment to the crowd.**

# Federal government gives $900,000 in preservation grants

## Grant projects to be selected at Northwestern

JANE BALDWIN
*Current Sauce*

With over $900,000 in grants from the federal government, the National Center for Preservation and Technology at Northwestern is preparing to review applications for grants in the advancement of historic preservation.

The Center announced the availability of grants in January. In the grant program, the Center will provide funds for research and training activities that seek to develop and distribute preservation skills and technologies. This is the second year the Center has distributed grants since their arrival at Northwestern.

The Center was established by Congress in 1992 and organized throughout 1993 and 1994. The Center's purpose is to serve all public and private preservation organizations and practice in the United States in archeology, architecture, landscape architecture, materials conservation and history.

Once the applications come they are sent to "readers" or experts in various historical preservation skills. The readers evaluate the applications and make comments for the Center.The grants are divided into two areas - research and training.

"Training is for developing innovative training approaches," John Robbins, executive director of the National Center for Preservation and Technology, said. "Either to develop a curriculum or a program that increases public awareness of historic preservation.

"We divide the grant applications and distribute them to readers," Robbins said. "The readers will return their comments to us and then the next step is to rank the applications. We have to come up with a final list."

A final review board will be formed at Northwestern to review the comments by the readers. "It's a group of people that are experts in historic preservation, the National Park Service and also some outside help," Robbins said.

> "We are looking for work that is innovative...it must be practical that has immediate and wide application in the practice of historic preservation."
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> **Jim Robbins, executive director of the National Center of Historic Preservation and Technology**

"We are looking for work that is innovative, that is not repetitive with other work that has been done or is currently being done in historical preservation," he said. "It must be practical that has immediate and wide application in the practice of historical preservation."

Once a grant is approved, the project must be completed in a year. The Center evaluates their progress throughout the year. "When you are doing something that is innovative, you have to be there in an advisory capacity," he said.

In 1994, the Center received 127 grant proposals, but only 15 grants were awarded, totaling over $500,000.


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## Four music students perform in college honor band

Four Northwestern muscic student s were a part of an ensemble of 86 musicians in the Louisiana Intercollegiate Honor Band

Michelle Brown, a sophomore music education major, ranked as ninth chair clarinet. Robert Browning, a sophomore music education major, was seventh chair percussionist, Mark Minton, a senior music education major, played coprincipal bass trombonist and Michael Simoneaux, a senior music education major was selected as principal trumpet.

The Intercollegiate Honor Band is held biannually. This year it was held in Baton Rouge with Dr. James Croft as guest conductor.



**Four Northwestern students participated in the Louisiana Intercollegiate Honor Band on Jan. 22 in Baton Rouge. Standing are (left to right) Mark Minton, a senior music education major, Michelle Brown, a sophomore music education major, Robert Browning, a sophomore music education major and Michael Simoneaux, a senior music education major.** PHOTO BY JONATHAN WALLACE

## Guest artist to exhibit art at NSU

A guest art exhibition by J.B. "Jack" Erwin will be on display at the Orville Hanchey Art Gallery Feb. 6-17.

Erwin is a noted architect, violin maker and painter. He began painting while he was an undergraduate student in architecture at the University of Texas in the early 1940's. Erwin was influenced by one of his professors, Samuel E. Gideon, who was the winner of the National Watercolor Competition. Some of Erwin's work was exhibited at the Dallas Museum of Fine Arts before his graduation.

He continued to paint while working in shipyards and serving in the Naval Reserve during World War II. While serving in the Pacific, he created additional works which were shown at the Dallas Museum of Fine Arts and around the world.

While still developing his skills as a painter in the 1950's Erwin took up violin making when his wife Ella asked him to make a violin as a family keepsake. Since then he has made more than 100 violins. He has had two violins placed in the Moscow Conservatory in Russia and placed in the top third of competitors art the Henry Wienawski competition in Poznan, Poland. Erwin is the only architect, painter and violin maker listed in the Universal Dictionary of Violin and Bow Makers published in England by William Henley.

A reception will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday in the Hanchery Gallery. The gallery is open weekdays from 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Admission is free.

## Tae Kwon Do classes offered

A course in the Korean martial art of Tae Kwon Do will be offered through the Division of Continuing Education beginning Monday.

The course will be taught on Monday and Wednesday with a beginners class from 6:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. and an intermediate and advanced class from 7:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. Classes will be held in the P.E. Majors Building. Participants must be at least 18 years of age.

Charles Miller of Leesville, a third degree black belt, will teach the courses. Miller said students can expect to gain self-discipline, strength, flexibility and self-defense skills. Olympic style sparring sessions will be held using World Tae Kwon Do Federation rules.

The cost of the course is $75. For more information, contact the Division of Continuing Education at (318) 357-4570 or 1-800-256-2822.

## Professors Research Undies

They lift and separate, support and titilate. But whether it be boxers or bras, jock straps or G-strings, rarely has the subject of undergarments received much exposure in the academic world.

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With the grant, OSU faculty members Nancy Bryant and Elaine Pedersen plan on chronicling the 20th-century history of undergarments, in hopes of gaining insights into fashion, practicality and culture.

To further their study, Bryant and Pedersen will collect literary pieces, news stories, television and film clips and advertisements featuring underwear—and of course, as many bras, jockstraps, boxer shorts, girdles and briefs as they can get their hands on.

Bryant and Pedersen, both members of OSU's Department of Apparel, Interiors, Housing and Merchandising, say that the research will come in handy in developing future curriculums for universities.

"This is a growing market," says Bryant. "More college graduates who are looking to break into the fashion industry are considering the undergarment industry. Look at Victoria's Secret. There's a newly developed market for a lot of these products, and there will always be a need for people to design them."

The study is being funded by The Under Fashion Club Inc., a not-for-profit organization made up of more than 300 intimate-apparel industry executives.

## Business classes to be offered in Europe

Students will have the opportunity to learn international business from managers who compete in the global marketplace during a 13-day European Business Study Tour May 22 - June 3.

The tour is sponsored by Northwestern and Louisiana College and will include stops in Germany, Switzerland and Austria.

The cost of the tour will be $2,428 which includes airfare, ground transportation, hotel, breakfast and dinner and guided tours. A deposit of $100 is required by Feb. 20. Credit is available in either Business Administration 4160 from Northwestern

Financial aid may be available for the trip depending on eligibility.

The tour will be led by Dr. Jay Hix of Louisiana College and Dr. Subhash Durlabhji.

In addition to the business aspect of the tour, there will be guided tours of Heidelburg, Lucerne, Neuschwanstein, Munich, Salzburg, Dachau, the Rhine, the Rhine Falls and the Black Forest.

For more information on the tour, call (318) 357-5692 or Hix at (318) 487-7561.

## Preservation Center to hold training course in archeology

The National Center for Preservation Technology and Training at Northwestern will hold an archeology for managers training course Feb. 13-17.

Sessions for the course will be held in the President's Room at the Friedman Student Union.

The conference is designed for federal, state and local land managers and program managers whose job functions have an impact on archeological resources.

The fee for the conference is $525. For more information, call Training Coordinator Frances Gale at (318) 357-6464.

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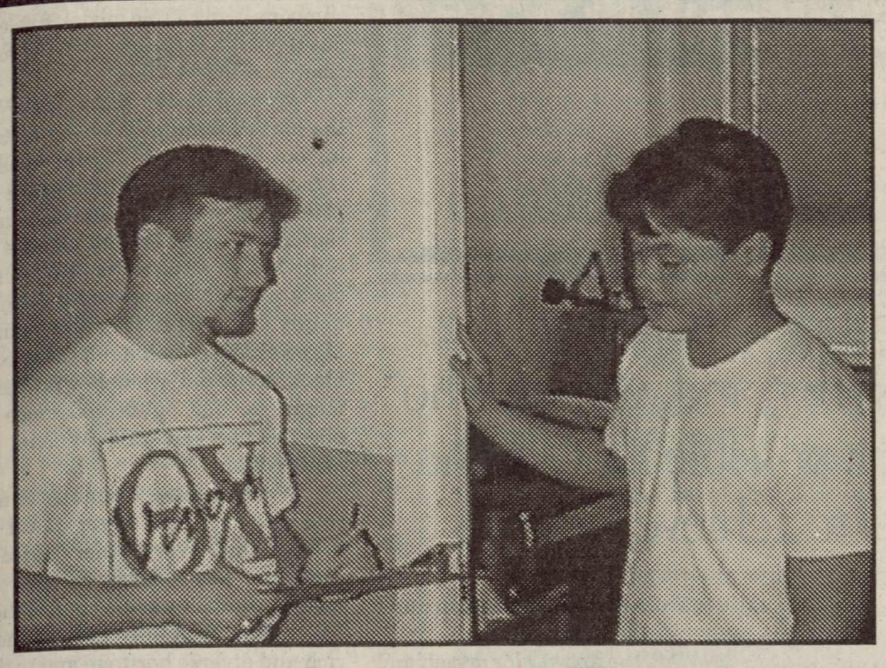



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## Room check



**Jeremy Broussard, a resident assistant at Louisiana School for Math, Science and the Arts, checks out the room of student, Andre Le, in Prudohomme Hall.**

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# LSMSA RA combines family, work skills

JEFF GUIN
*Current Sauce*

"I feel like a big brother to them."

**Jeremy Broussard,**
**Louisiana School Resident Assistant**

Resident assistants in Northwestern's dorms aren't necessarily known for their rapport with the students they oversee. More often than not, they end up at odds with students over issues like stereo volume and visitors of the opposite sex after hours.

But some RAs manage to enforce the rules of the dorm and retain the respect of those students. Achieving this balance would seem to be a trying feat.

"It's actually kind of fun," Jeremy Broussard, a junior journalism major, said. In theory, Broussard should actually have a tougher job since he is an RA in Prudhomme Hall, a dormitory for male students at the Louisiana School for Math Science and the Arts. Essentially, Broussard is responsible for the well-being of the more than 30 high school students on his floor.

Among his duties are room check, in which he makes sure all of the students on his floor are in their rooms by the 10 p.m. curfew. He also makes sure students aren't bringing any vices (alcohol, cigarettes and other drugs) into the building.

Although the situation might get tense at times, Broussard likens the experience to that of being a member of a family unit.

"I feel like a big brother to them," Broussard said. "I notice when their grades [start] to go slack and go to meetings to let parents and teachers know what is going on with them. It's kind of like a little family."

According to Broussard, that kind of closeness is achieved through communication and sensitivity to the student's needs.

"I talk to them about all aspects of their lives: girlfriends, school and home," he said. "Then I help them with some homework. I'll help them with anything but math."

An impromptu extracurricular activity now and then also helps bolster spirits on the floor. Almost a year ago, Broussard staged an event that proved quite popular.

"Occasionally, [the other RAs and I] offer candy to the students that have room checks without violations. Last year, the whole floor had a perfect room check. So we rewarded them by holding a Mardi Gras parade in the hall. I threw candy out and the guys stood at their doors to catch it. They had a great time."

Despite the closeness and the family atmosphere, the job is very time-intensive.

"We have 10 office hours each week, but we work a lot more than that," Broussard said. "We have to stay overnight two days a week plus we have to attend parent-teacher conferences and staff meetings." Broussard also makes "Wal-Mart runs" in the Louisiana School van and picks students up from their extracurricular activities.

With all of this going on, Broussard somehow still finds time for involvement in other campus activities. He is editor of the 1995 *Potpourri* and recently began working on the air at the campus radio station in addition to his student worker duties and activities with his fraternity, Theta Chi.

"It's basically a matter of time management," he said. "I schedule things the best I can and somehow everything always falls into place."

# *The new queen: Leigh Cole*

LESLIE HENNIGAN
*Current Sauce*

"I just want to represent Northwestern the best that I can."

**Leigh Cole,**
**1995 Miss Lady of the Bracelet**

Twelve ladies competed in Friday night's competition for the title of Miss Northwestern — Lady of the Bracelet. Leigh Cole, 19 years old, earned the new title as queen. As Miss LOB, Cole will be the official hostess of Northwestern for 1995.

The pageant consisted of five areas of competition. Those categories were interview, physical fitness (swimsuit), talent, platform and evening gown. Cole won the evening gown competition and tied with Rose Triggs of Natchitoches in the talent competition.

Cole sang *And This is My Beloved* from *Kismet* for her talent presentation. She regularly performs popular music, having begun singing at the age of 10. "For a while I didn't enjoy it [singing], but my parents made me stick with it," Cole said. "They told me, 'You'll thank us someday.' I didn't believe them at the time, but they were right."

Cole received a trophy as winner of the evening gown category and a silver tray as one of the two winners of the talent category. In addition to the crown, bracelet and flowers, Cole was also awarded a $5,000 scholarship and a $500 cash prize provided by the Student Activities Board.

"I really needed the scholarship money," said Cole when asked why she had decided to compete for the title. "I also wanted to show the students that you don't have to be gorgeous or perfect to be the hostess of Northwestern."

As a nursing major thinking about a career in Geriatrics, Cole's platform for the pageant was based on the lives and health of senior citizens. A platform is the declaration of principles on which a person stands. In her small address on stage she stressed the importance of having older generations and how people are so unaware of what they could learn from them.

"I care a lot about the people of my generation and I saw how my grandmother cares for people of her generation," Cole said. "It gave me an idea how to get these groups together in a way that would benefit them both."

Back in her hometown of Marksville, Cole is the head of a program for senior citizens called S.H.A.P.E. — Seniors Have A Purpose Everyday. She has combined the local youth of Marksville, Effie and Center Point in an effort to help them view their senior citizens as a great asset to society and to their lives. The youth travel to nursing homes and private homes to communicate with those men and women on a one-on-one basis. Cole's grandmother, who works with the Marksville Council on Aging, gave her the inspiration to start the program.

"We go and we talk with them," Cole said. "On occasion we bring things like food or gifts. Mostly we just enjoy their company and they enjoy ours."

Cole hopes programs like SHAPE will prevent younger people from ignoring their parents when they are no longer able to care for themselves.

"It's a shame that people turn their backs on their parents or grandparents because they think they are in the way or require too much responsibility," Cole said. "It's selfish. Those people are not thinking back to consider all their parents did for them when they were young."

The next step for Cole will be a trip to Monroe where she will represent Northwestern in the Miss Louisiana Pageant, June 17.

When asked how she felt about the upcoming pageant Cole replied, "I just want to represent Northwestern the best that I can."

Cole, the daughter of Wayne and Barbara Cole, is a graduate of Marksville High School. She is a member of Phi Mu Fraternity and was a member of the Purple Pizazz Pom Pon Line, and was the recipient of the Gertrude Bott and Ruby Dunkleman Scholarships.



**Newly crowned Miss Northwestern Lady of the Bracelet, Leigh Cole, waves to the audience. Cole will represent Northwestern at the Miss Louisiana Pageant in Monroe, June 17.**

PHOTO BY NIKOLE NEUNER

## HOLIDAY HISTORY

KERI CHAMPION
*Current Sauce*

On Feb. 12, many American states will recognize Lincoln's Birthday (Feb. 12, 1809). This event was first observed in 1866, the year after Lincoln's assisination.

During this first holiday, president Andrew Jackson supervised a celebration in honor of Lincoln's accomplishments. Both Navy and Army bands played and a parade was held. That same day a group of citizens in Jersey City met to honor the former president as well. They called themselves the Lincoln Association. This was the beginning of the annual holiday.

Lincoln's birthday has been a legal holiday in most states since 1909, the 100th anniversary of Abraham Lincoln's birthday. The holiday is recognized in 34 of the 50 states. This is the first year that Southern states have let children out of school in observance of the holiday.

On Feb. 12, 1915, the cornerstone for the building of the Lincoln Memorial was laid as a result of a bill passed in Congress.
Henry Bacon designed the building, and the memorial was dedicated in Washington D.C. in May of 1922.

Lincoln was born in a small log cabin in Kentucky. When he was 7 years old, he moved with his father and mother to Indiana, where he received enough schooling to read and write and cipher to three. Any other schooling Lincoln received came from the books that he owned and later from law books friends had given him.

At 21 years of age, Lincoln moved to Illinois. He eventually set up a successful law practice in Springfield, Ill. where he met his wife, Mary Todd. In 1864 Lincoln was elected to the Illinois legislature; he served three terms. In 1860, he was nominated as the Republican Party presidential candidate. In November of that year, Lincoln was elected to be the 16th president of the United States. On April 14, 1865, Lincoln was shot and killed by John Wilkes Booth, just four days after the Civil War ended.

Lincoln is remembered for his leadership during the troubled times of the Civil War, his Emancipation Proclamation, which freed slaves in the United States, and his touching Gettysburg Address.

# Reigning pageant queens work hard

*Winning a festival title involves more than wearing a crown and waving*

DANIELLE FAVORS
*Current Sauce*

Louisiana's festival queens are keeping many traditions and old festivals alive, which requires a lot of hard work, brains and some beauty.

Louisiana has over 300 festivals and fairs. These fairs and festivals help the state's economy and help to keep many old customs alive.

One of the many young women helping to keep these traditions alive is Julie Lauren Duhon, a Northwestern student who was a festival queen last year. She traveled for a year representing the Cajun French Music Association and their annual festival, the Cajun French Music and Food Festival.

During her year of reign, Duhon traveled all over the state promoting her festival. She spent practically every weekend traveling to other festivals, sometimes going to two on a busy weekend. She said that, although tiring, the year of travel is worth the hassle.

"The opportunity to learn more about my state and my heritage did a lot for me," Duhon said. "I grew to love Louisiana as I never had before," Duhon met thousands of people last year and said she felt like a better person for it.

Representing a festival entails a lot more than one would expect. Some people feel that the only thing festival queens have to do is dress up in evening gowns and smile, but much work lies behind the show the public sees.

"People don't realize that a festival queen isn't just a pretty face," Duhon said. "She has to be a good public speaker, an outgoing, fun person and she has to be intelligent."

Festival queens speak to many people during their year of reign, and each girl is expected to rattle off facts about the town where her festival is held and about how the festival originated. A great deal of knowledge about the state and festival system is also required.

The queens often travel to the same festivals each weekend, and the women usually form bonds and become great friends. Louisiana festival queens refer to each other as "weekend sisters." Duhon said her weekend sisters were especially important to her because she had no sisters.

"Being around so many girls was a new experience for me," Duhon said. "We eventually seemed to form a huge family."

Different festivals require different things from their queens. Duhon's festival required that she know how to do the Cajun two-step and the jitterbug. In the competition for the Miss Cajun Music title, she had to have a limited vocabulary of Cajun French.

Duhon felt she not only represented the CFMA and their festival, she felt she represented the Cajun people as a whole. It was her responsibility to be courteous and respectful at all times.

She was expected to always be dressed properly. She had to be a "perfect" young woman.

Most festival queens are in school, which adds to the strain. A festival queen always has a list of things she has to accomplish by a certain time, and sometimes studies are pushed aside. It isn't uncommon to see the queens carrying books along for the ride. Duhon said she once watched one of the queens do her school work during a church service.

Although festival queens must put forth a great deal of work during the year of their reign, they also gain lots of information about Louisiana and become well-educated from the traveling.

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# African-Americans have many role models

## Media portrayal not an accurate picture of black race



**Shakira**Baldwin

Guest Column

Throughout this year I have watched, listened and been disgusted by the general attitude of the media and so-called experts who have depicted the falls from grace of African-American celebrities.

According to numerous newspaper articles, talk shows and tabloids which regularly spotlight well-known African-American men like Michael Jackson and O.J. Simpson, we as a race no longer have role models. This is upsetting for me for several reasons. The first and foremost reason being that this very idea epitomizes the double standard that exists in our country today.

Countless controversies have occurred involving prominent and powerful white men and women, yet not a word is mentioned about lost role models. Is it that we, the black race, do not have people in our own communities and families that we admire? Is it that we, the black race, place higher importance on the ability to score a touchdown, slam dunk or gyrate on stage?

Well, the answer for myself and many other African-Americans is a resounding NO! Everyone enjoys being entertained and that is what celebrities do. But when it comes to someone being a role model, a celebrity is not the first person who should come to mind.

My role model is the pastor in the black community who is reaching out to our youth. My role model is the successful black man who is at peace with who he is and does not conform to what society expects of him. My role model is the young black mother who provides for her family and does it all with a smile. My role models include all the strong black men and women who have fought for our rights and made it possible for O.J. and Michael to achieve fame.

With all these examples of my role models I find it very hard to believe that every other African-American has lost his or her role models. And if by some chance they have, they need only look at their rich and diverse heritage and to the African-Americans who have uplifted the spirit of freedom, empowerment and peace.

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# Where Credit's Due

## Many people contribute to Northwestern's growth

The rise of Northwestern's enrollment for the ninth time out of the past 11 semesters has us considering exactly where the credit should go for such growth.

Many credit the University president for his vision in turning the University around from where it was seven years—and 3,000 students—ago. We agree that Dr. Alost's vision is largely responsible for getting Northwestern back on track. But we want to talk about the executors of the vision: the department heads and instructors.

Dr. Ron McBride is one of these people. His direction as head of the department of Journalism and Telecommunications has led the department from virtual obscurity to one of the most respected in the state.

Furthermore, the growth of the department directly correlates to the growth of the University. In fact, the majority of the growth is in other sites around the state. The journalism's telelearning program has been a large part of the reason growth has occurred there by allowing students in other sites full access to the classes needed for a degree program without the long-distance travel.

> "Too often, these people are not recognized for their contributions:contributions that directly correlate to the blazing growth of the University."

The Creative and Performing Arts department is another example. Dr. Bill Brent, with his dynamic supporting staff, has created an atmosphere in which band, art and theater students are educated thoroughly while bringing a bit of culture to Northwestern and the town of Natchitoches.

The Division of Education is fired up. They should be; they again received accreditation from the NCATE board, which recognizes top education programs in the nation. Congratulations education faculty, and you, Dr. Sue Weaver, for coming abord to help keep the fires burning.

But more than just the departments, individual organizations are making a name for Northwestern also. For example, when Todd Graham came to Northwestern five years ago, Northwestern didn't even have a debate team. This past year, he coached our debate team to "best in the nation" status.

Then, of course, is the incredible recruiting team that excels in communicating Northwestern's assets to high school seniors around the state and nation.

It's all these people and dozens of other instructors, administrators and students who contribute to Northwestern's growth. Too often, they are not recognized for their contributions in this goal.

We realize that there are several others deserving of such kudos; we just cannot list all of them here. But we intend to make it a practice of always recognizing those people who put that extra foot forward. Those who make Northwestern a respectable university—one most of us call our home.

# The *real* reason enrollment is up . . .




# A columnist's plea: 'Do something controversial'



**Andrew**Martin

The Bottom Line

I knew it would only be a matter of time before I ran out of things to bitch about and it would seem that day has finally arrived. This place is a veritable black hole when it comes to finding something to write. Nothing big or interesting ever happens here. So in lieu of a real topic, a shotgun approach of small complaints would probably be the best way to handle this lack of a problem with real substance.

First, the new curb being poured on the side of Caspari Drive on campus. I don't see the point. Is it to keep us from parking on that side of the street? That should really be convenient when IM flag football starts back up in the fall. Is it some kind of erosion prevention device? No one knows. More money wasted by Northwestern, the place where students come first and parking comes last.

The new brick area behind Kyser Hall. Once again, no one really sees the point. That area catches all kinds of wind so it is really cold during the winter out there. It will also be very unpleasant there during the spring and late summer because the bricks are going to cook when that sun starts beating down on them. Yeah, I'd love to sit on a concrete bench in the sun in the middle of August. Heat stroke really appeals to me.

The water that tastes like feet over in Kyser Hall. If I'm going to pay money to go to school here I would at least like to be able to drink the water on campus without getting nauseated.

The fascist (notice I didn't say Nazi, that's a bad word around here) campus visitation policies. To get in to see someone who lives in the dorm you have to stop at the front desk sign in, get a blood test, show proof of insurance and have a note from your preacher saying you are a good person. The hours that you can get in are pretty strict also. Some universities have much more liberal visitation policies. This makes for happier students content to live in the dorms which makes more money for the university. I'd be willing to stay in the dorms if you didn't get watched like some kind of inmate. Two small pieces of advice about living on campus. To the students, if you live on campus, get off. To the university, this isn't 1932, loosen up some.

*Argus*. First of all, I wish I had some say in where my money went because it surely wouldn't be going to them. I guess that you could argue that it is a legitimate form of expression but you'll never be able to convince me. The big issue with *Argus* right now is that they offer cash prizes for winning entries in the fall edition. No one who won last semester has been paid yet. Where's the money? Surely they haven't forgotten to the contestants.

The parking problem. I have already conceded defeat as it is very obvious that we are never going to get another parking lot.

However, would it be too much to ask for the university police to ease up a little bit on the parking tickets? I understand when someone parks on the grass they should get a ticket, but when someone parks in the middle of the lot by Dodd (not obstructing traffic at all) I don't see the point in sticking it for $10.

There just isn't that much to talk about around here these days. When the biggest bitch one can have is the visitation policies on campus you know this place has become a little bit stagnant.

For God's sake, somebody please go do something illegal, interesting or controversial!

Express your outrage!

**Write a letter to the editor or Forum Viewpoint column.**
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# Campus Forum

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## Forum Directory

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***Campus Connection***

The staff of the *Current Sauce* invites all campus organizations to send announcements for publication in Campus Connection. However, we remind organizations of the guidelines involved. Campus Connection submissions must be brought to Rm. 225 by noon on the Monday before Tuesday publication.

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## Campus Connection

***Pre-Law Society***

Anyone interested in discussion of world issues and laws is welcome to attend Pre-Law Society meetings. The meetings are held at 6 p.m. every second and fourth Monday in the SGA conference room. If you have any questions, call Dana Lewis at 4501.

***NSU Chess Club***

The Knights of the Round Table is holding a raffle for a 13-inch color television with remote through Feb. 12. The price for tickets is $1 or $5 for six tickets.

Tickets will be available at Vic's from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday though Friday. They can also be purchased by calling Sean Schneyer at 4185.

Everyone is invited to play chess every from 7-9 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday in Rm. 216 Student Union and on Wednesday from 7-9 p.m. in the third floor lobby of Boozman dorm.

***Tennis tryouts***

Women's tennis tryouts are now being held. Contact Coach Willie Paz at 5251.

***Student Support Services***

Student Support Services will sponsor a workshop entitled "Do You Know Your TRUE COLORS?" from noon to 1:30 p.m. Feb 9 in the Cane River Room in the Student Union.

The workshop is designed to teach different styles of personality. It will be fun and interactive and everyone who is interested is invited to attend. For more information, contact Genny Aucoin at Student Support Services, 5901.

***Sigma Gamma Rho***

Sigma Gamma Rho is sponsoring a penny drive. All proceeds will be donated to the Boys and Girls Club. We will set up a table from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Student Union Monday and Wednesday all this month. We will also hand out ribbons as a reminder of Black History Month.

***Sigma Sigma Sigma***

Remember to dress up and wear your badges at 7 p.m. Tuesday for the Sigma Valentine party. Don't forget to make your valentines. Wear your letters Wednesday.

We will decorate The Alley at 3 p.m. Friday for the valentine's dance. The dance starts at 9 p.m. CBM starts at the house at 7 p.m. Sunday. At 8 p.m. Monday in the Student Union Ballroom, there will be a program *Friendship in the Age of AIDS.*

Don't forget about your times at the Boys and Girls Club. Save your spare change for the Robbie Page memorial. Start collecting you magazines for the next meeting. Study hall has been changed to 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday.

***Wesley Westminster Foundation***

We are selling tickets for jambalaya/cole slaw dinners. Tickets cost only $5 and may be purchased at the Wesley Westminster Foundation. Dinners may be delivered or can be picked up at the Foundation from 12 p.m. to 2 p.m. Feb. 17. For more information, call 352-2888.

***Phi Mu***

Don't forget study hall begins this week. Contact the scholarship chairman if you have any questions. Remember to stop by the house this week and make decorations for Crush. Come and show your spirit at tonight's 9 p.m. IM game. Remember the Panhellenic Education seminar at 8 p.m. Feb. 13 in the Ballroom.

***Spanish Language and Cultural Study***

A meeting will be held at 5 p.m. Wednesday in Rm. 106 Kyser to discuss the Spanish Language and Study Tour.

Dates for the tour are May 22-June 8.

***Forestry/Wildlife Conservation Club***

The FWCC will have its second meeting tomorrow in Rm. 101 Bienvenu Hall. The annual convention on Feb 17-19 and the American Fisheries Society will be discussed. All interested are welcome to attend.

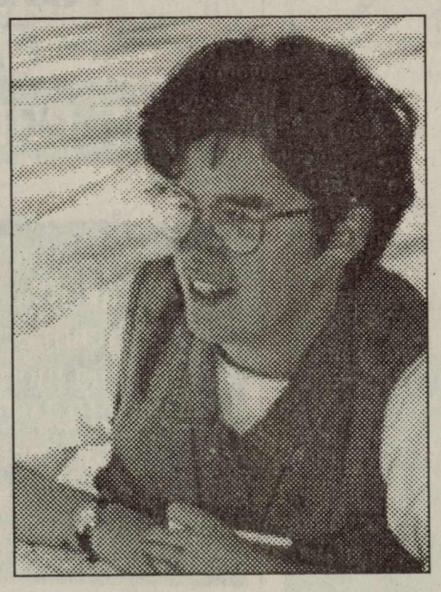
***Purple Jackets***

We will have a meeting at 6 p.m. Wednesday in Rm. 321 Student Union. Be prepared to take pictures for the scrapbook.

We will also be taking membership applications starting next month.

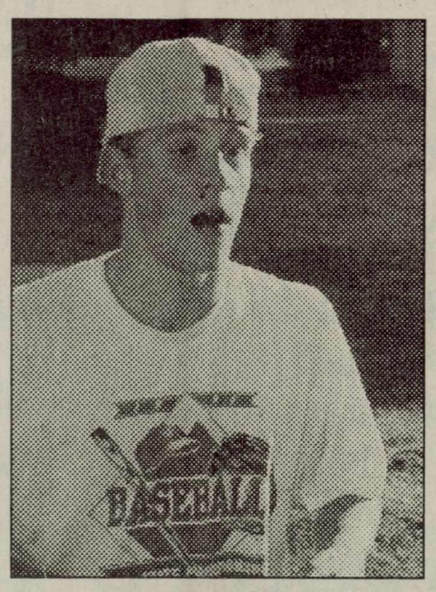
## Current Quotes

### To what do you attribute Northwestern's record growth?



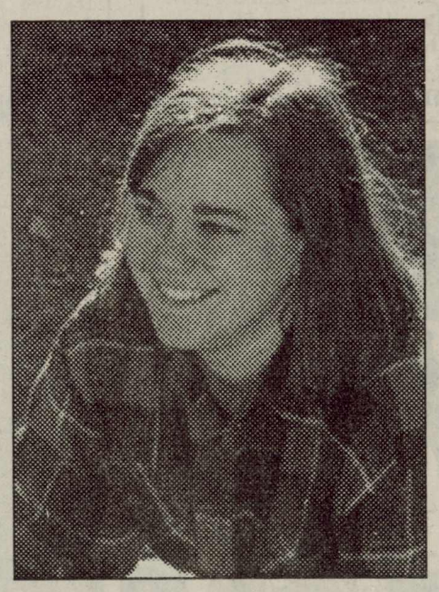
"I think students like NSU's course selection compared to other colleges, or maybe they prefer NSU's atmosphere more."

***--Hollie Moran, Journalism So.***



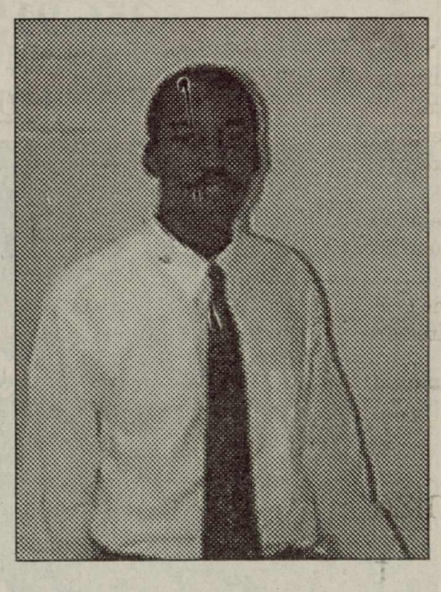
"Because of the increase in how upperclassmen are helping the younger classes in college. Student relations are good because of the campus beautification and because of the excellent faculty here at NSU.

***--Trey Earle, Optamology Fr.***



"Campus beautification probably helps to attract some new students."

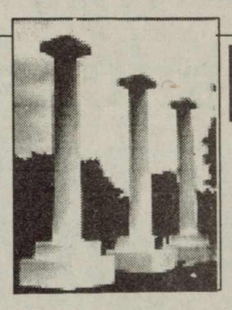
***--Melissa Bahs, Scholars' College Humanitites So.***



"It's mostly due to the faculty and staff that are interested in the welfare of the students--and not the ones concerned only with getting a paycheck."

***--Blair Dickens Sr., Business Administration***

## Your View



### Letters to the editor

## Cobb should walk straighter path


ROBERT REICHLE
*Senior, Alexandria*


I was thoroughly appalled by the letters published in last week's *Current Sauce*. I have no problem with people expressing their views. In fact, I probably wouldn't be writing this at all if not for the terrible attitude that ran along side those views.

I'll start by addressing Jeff Cobb's comments about "dirty rotten liberal lies" and gun control in last week's "Letters to the Editor." There is **some** truth to his statement that nothing is more reliable for self-protection than a gun. It is, in fact, a very powerful ally, but that us exactly the problem. The person who shot Theresa Rivers was a vigilante. Whether or not she made a "bad decision," that person had no right to take the law into his own hands and her life as well.

Guns are not objects worthy of romanticism, nor are they toys. People should not be allowed to carry them for personal defense because it endangers too many innocents. How would you feel if your spouse or best friend were walking along and someone, trying to defend themselves against an assailant, missed a shot and put your loved one in the ground? Would they still have the right to walk around your neighborhood carrying a lethal weapon?

That's were the entire point of last week's column *Guns+People=?* was made. Do the words "personal responsibility" ring a bell? I can't speak for any "lowlife liberals" other than myself (although you obviously know what we all think and support) but my views on gun control are these: I support the second amendment, but not to the extremes that most of the conservatives (not all, of course) seem to be grasping for.

I believe people should have the right to keep a gun in their home if that's what they want to do, but I don't think they should be able to have **any** gun they want. People can quite adeptly protect themselves with a handgun or a shotgun. No one needs a bazooka or semi-automatic weapon for home defense. Like I said before, smaller guns can kill just as easily.

I don't think gun control is trying at all to take away from a person's right to bear arms. It is trying to remove access to the more dangerous items such as the infamous "cop killer" bullets which can pierce a kevlar vest worn by a police officer.

My next area of response stems from Madelyn Boudreaux's wonderful editorial concerning the disgusting use of the term "feminazi." Perhaps Mr. Limbaugh does not use his term except when referring to the most radical of feminists...so what?

There is no political movement in the twentieth century that even approaches being worthy of having the word Nazi associated with it (other than those which actually stem from it: Neo-Nazi skinheads, etc...). Have we all become so insensitive to what Hitler and his minions did 50 years ago? Or even worse, what he might have done?

I am one-eighth Jewish **and** my family name comes from Germany. Do I make a big deal out of this topic because of that? Or does a nearly successful attempt at **Genocide** really carry some weight in the scheme of things?

For Rush (blanking) Limbaugh to create the word "feminazi" was a hideous insult to everyone involved: the feminists, the Jews who died in the holocaust and big ol' Rush himself.

It would take some kind of powerful apology for Mr. Limbaugh to make up for what he has started with that word, because although he may not throw it around that much, his blindly vehement fans do. I have been hearing the term used very nonchalantly by people who just don't think about what they are saying.

People who are merely trying to work for a true equality between men and women are being labeled with negative connotations when they are more deserving of praise for their efforts. How many people insult those who are pushing human rights? It makes little sense. So my advice to Mr. **Cobb**, who carries his political agenda with him in a transparent **glass**, is this: Get the **Cobb** out of your **glass** and maybe you'll walk a straighter path...

## Minister clarifies letter to the editor


REV. FR. SHELDON L. ROY
*NSU Campus Minister*


I am happy to offer a note of clarification in response to Ms. Susan Kliebert's letter (Jan. 17 issue) an at the request of Ms. Shelly Gribbon, manager of Griffin's Lodge, Toledo Bend, where the CSO held its Fall '94 Retreat.

Ms. Gribbon quoted a fee of $400. She was thinking "per night" and I was thinking "per weekend." She and I were the only two involved in financial negotiations. This was a simple misunderstanding and she and I never exchanged any unpleasant words. Through the generosity of a donor, we were able to come up with the extra money. I did not burden the students with any of the financial arrangements.

When we went to preview the lodge, Ms. Gribbon was on vacation but I found her grandmother and a friend courteous and willing to show us around the grounds and buildings.

I do not remember the "snappy" remarks quoted by Ms. Kliebert. I did not ask for a receipt and did not think it was necessary.

Ms. Kliebert quotes my telephone conversation with Ms. Gribbon at the beginning of the retreat weekend. And yet, I never shared this conversation with her. She asserts that Ms. Gribbon gave me an ultimatum of paying up or leaving within "15 minutes." I have no independent recollection of this remark.

Further, according to the donor who paid for the weekend expenses, there was no additional charge of $256 for the late checkout fee. The receipt on file proves this point.

As a campus minister reflecting on this situation, I think perhaps the real issue for the students was being respectfully treated as "adults." I was not witness to any condescending remarks or attitude on the part of Ms. Gribbon.

Apparently, this was not the students' perception. It is not unusual for college students, who are normally making the transition from post-adolescence to adulthood, to be sensitive about being treated as "adults" rather than adolescents, and rightly so.

I am sorry that Ms. Gribbon and others have suffered.

I am also sorry that I and the CSO members have suffered alienation from some of our students involved in this event. In the past, we have shown them love, inclusion, support and willingness "to be there" for them when they needed us, I pray for reconciliation for all of us, preferably on this side of death.

MINUTES FOR STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

The meeting was called to order at 7:07 p.m. The prayer was led by Ramona Reed and the pledge of allegiance was led by Chris Nicholas. Jonathan Gauthier called roll and Mark Alexander, Rick Bailes, Misty Mayeux, Will Veuleman and Pete Muldoon were not present. The minutes were approved as read.

Wendy called for officer's reports and Clay Gardner said that "tonight we have with us Frank Griffin from the CoRec flag football team and when we get into new business Jacob is going to make a motion that we all give them some money for a tournament down in New Orleans." Clay said he received all budgets from the organizations that receive student association fees except for the Argus series. As we all know we allocated the money for the conference and I m sure Blair will tell us about that when he gives his report."

Jacinda said we still need to do office hours during finals because things are still happening.

Blair said our Christmas party will be next Monday, December 5. Options were presented for party location. Blair explained the Chinese Christmas. We received a Christmas card from the SAB. On January 12 Brian Flegger wanted us to sponsor a Cajun Chicken for the basketball game at a cost of $600.00 to the SGA. "It's your decision." He mentioned another way for SGA to publicize their interest in NSU sports. "As far as the conference, it went well. The one at Texas A&M was the best by a long shot. This conference was a money maker. Would like to see the people that attended the conference after the meeting. **First meeting for next semester will be January 23, 1995."**

Wendy called for committee reports and Ross announced that Environmental committee will meet Thursday at 7:00 p.m. "People need to attend—more than one would be nice."

Dana announced that the Free Speech Forum has its first forum tomorrow night at 7:00 in the Ball Room—the Crime Prevention and Awareness Forum. "We would really appreciate it if all the senators would be there to support it. There will be refreshments."

Blair asked Senators to please be there to support this.

Jacob announced that "Student Services will meet this Thursday at 6:30 and everyone should have some type of information about you know who you are and you know what I've given you."

Wendy called for old business and Jason moved to lift the table on Jeff's resolution 94-60. Question and discussion were called. The resolution was voted on and passed unanimously.

Wendy called for new business and Jacob read resolution 94-62 which would allot $2165 to the CoRec flag football team. Frank Griffin spoke on behalf of the resolution. Question was called. The resolution passed with one abstention.

Chris Conway read resolution 94-63. Question was called and the resolution passed with 2 abstentions.

Jeff Burkett read resolution 94-64. Discussion was called. The resolution passed with one opposed and one abstention.

Chris Conway read resolution 94-66. Question and discussion was called. The resolution passed with one abstention.

Wendy called for special reports and Chris spoke about he and Pete's business trip to LSU concerning the debit cards.

Wendy called for announcements and Amy needs to see the Academic Affairs committee after the meeting.

Jonathan spoke to the SGA about giving workshops to them and to any other student wishing to attend. His workshops will be based on workshops presented at the conference.

Ramona also spoke about the conference and passed out some sheets about the conference workshops.

Blair asked if anyone wanted to sponsor the Cajun Chicken—if not it dies here—The Chicken died.

Chris moved to adjourn and the meeting ended at 7:40 p.m.

# PAGEANT: Cole plans plateform around senior citizens

*Continued from the front page*

to highlight the theme of the pageant - LOB Swings, The USO Tour.

"It was the old, swing music," Carl Henry, director of the Student Activities Board, said. "Thank goodness for the jazz band. They were super.

I don't know how we will top it next year," he said.

"It was a complete cooperative effort," Henry said. "We appreciate all the time and effort provided."

The Theater department provided the dancing and singing during the pageant. Other entertainment was provided by the Demon Dazzlers as well as Miss Louisiana's song . The 1994 Miss Lady of the Bracelet, Rebecca Bacle, completed the entertainment with the two songs she performed

The Mistress of Ceremonies was Tiffany Mock, the reigning Miss Louisiana 1994. She is a mid-day news anchor for KTVE-TV, an NBC affiliate out of Monroe, La.

Cole plans to promote her platform, SHAPE, Seniors Have a Purpose Every Day. "I got the idea from my grandmother," Cole said. "I see how much she cares about her generation.

"Through the organization, youth and citizens work together by visiting nursing homes."

The prizes to be awarded to Miss Lady of the Bracelet 1995 is a one year full scholarship, provided by the Office of Admissions and Recruiting, free textbooks, provided by University Bookstore, $500 cash award, provided by the Student Activities Board.

# GRANTS: Historic Center to review grants at NSU

*Continued from the front page*

One of the projects still in progress is by the Vermont Division of Historic Preservation in energy performance of wood windows. "Over 75 percent of the low income housing is historic structures," he said. "Unlike modern structures, they tend to have wooden windows."

When the windows need to replaced, they are replaced with modern metal windows. The manufactures argue that metal windows conserve more energy than wooden windows. Once the wooden windows are replaced with metal ones, "it never is quite the same," Robbins said.

The deadline is April 1 for all applications. The Center will then begin reviewing the applications.

# ENROLLMENT: NSU grows each year

*Continued form the front page*

ana where the University offers courses increased from 363 to 436.

Enrollment increased in almost all classifications. Freshman enrollment increased form 2,841 to 2,916. Sophomore enrollment moved from 2,841 to 2,918 and junior enrollment increased from 1,275 to 1,357.

Senior enrollment decreased slightly from 1,636 to 1,608.

Graduate enrollment increased by 14.5 percent from 811 to 929.


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# Send it back to where it came from

Derek Rabuck
*Current Sauce*

With the third and supposedly ast film of the immensely popular Highlander series, Christopher Lambert returns to the big screen as Connor McCleod of the Clan McCleod."

*Highlander 3: The Final Dimension*, a new release from Miramax Films, continues the ongoing story about the infamous immortals who transverse the sands of time, waiting for the time of the "Gathering."

The third *Highlander* film, much like the first two, centers on Connor McCleod, an immortal, who in this film is trying to escape the clutches of an evil immortal who has absorbed the knowledge and powers of an ancient sorcerer.

The evil immortal played by veteran screen star Mario Van Peebles, comes back to life after being trapped in the sorcerer's cave for about 400-500 years.

Before being trapped inside the cave, the evil immortal named Kane battles McCleod but is unable to escape a cave-in. When Kane's tomb is unearthed in the present, he comes back looking for McCleod.

The rest of the movie basically deals with Kane sending his two immortal bodyguards, who meet with a couple of untimely deaths, out to find McCleod. Eventually Kane comes to New York himself and you can pretty much guess what happens after that if you have seen the previous two movies.

## REVIEW

One thing that I should note is that *Highlander 3* takes place about a year after the first movie and many years before the first sequel.

Like most sequels, *Highlander 3* tries to find a new angle to the story, but ends up repeating the same exact plot as the first two movies. One thing that haunts this movie is that it constantly flashes back to scenes from the first movie.

The producers and director of this sequel try to copy the setting, characters and plot of the first movie. This is understandable since the first movie made millions and millions of dollars at the box office and on video. The only problem is that this movie is not near as good, or action packed, as the first. This movie is supposed to be a sequel, not a rehash of the original movie. A sequel should have a continuation of the story with a new plot and new characters.

The one thing this movie does have going for it is the special effects. Swords shatter as they are clashed together. A body is cut in half and then comes back together. And, a human morphs into a bird form. These are some of the coolest special effects that I have seen in a long time.

Another part of the movie that I found interesting is the way the supporting characters are portrayed. The best character in the film is the insane guy who thinks that he is Napoleon. Whoever the actor was portraying this character should be given an award, because he was very convincing in his part.

I also liked the way Kane's character is portrayed to add comic relief to the stuffy character portrayed by Lambert. The only problem is that Peebles had to worry too much on making Kane funny and did not have the film time to expose the full villainous potential, that could have made Kane one of the most memberable villains in film history.

There are two major things that this movie lacked. The first thing is that there was no character to fill Sean Connery's seat. Connery's presence is what made the first two movies so good.

The second thing was that the rock group Queen did not perform any music for this movie. Fans have come to associate the music of Queen with the *Highlander* movies.

If you're a long time fan of the Highlander movies, you might want to wait until *Highlander 3: The Final Dimension* comes out on video.

*Highlander 3* is not currently showing in Natchitoches, but it can be seen at Westgate 8 Cinema in Alexandria.

On a scale of 5, I give *Highlander 3-The Final Dimension* a 2.

Rating Scale:

5- Run Home and Tell Your Friends
4- Bring a Date
3- Mildly Amusing
2- Killing Time
1- Where's My Pillow

# Larriviere struts his stuff in *Juno and the Paycock*

A peacock is a pheasant-like bird known to show off his beautiful and elaborate tail. Robert Larriviere's character in the Northwestern theater's upcoming production of Sean O'Casey's *Juno and The Paycock* is likewise a show-off.

*Juno and The Paycock* explores the union movement, the matriarchal nature of Irish family life and the violence that flourishes from the hatred between the English and Irish and other factions.

The focus of *Juno and the Paycock* is Captain Jack Boyle and his interactions with his family. Larriviere, a junior theater major from Lafayette, plays Captain Jack. Larriviere describes his character as a big, boisterous man who is a paycock or "a butt."

"He [Captain Jack] wants to be 'king of the hill' and in control of his family," Larriviere said. "But, this is impossible because they're poor and he never really tries to find work. He's always promising things will be better, but it never really happens."

According to Larriviere, Juno Boyle, Captain Jack's wife, is the provider in the play. "Essentially, she is the one who takes care of everything. She works hard," Larriviere said. "She buys the food, she cooks, she cleans, she does everything. While, Captain Jack gets drunk a lot with his best friend always talking about how great tomorrow is going to be."

Unlike his current character, Larriviere can deliver and has done so in the past. He has been cast in many Northwestern productions including *Tartuffe, A Midsummer Night's Dream, Rimers of Eldritch,* and *Brigadoon.*

Larriviere began acting in elementary school and continued his pursuit through speech competitions in high school. "I came to a tournament up here and Mrs. [Vicki] Parrish told me about the theater department," Larriviere said. "I auditioned for Dr. [Jack] Wann and the convinced me to be an actor."

Larriviere has been on a year and a half hiatus from Northwestern, but he appears to have returned in full force. "I worked for two seasons at Horsecave Theatre in Kentucky," he said. "I learned a lot and worked with a lot of great people."

*Juno and The Paycock* opened Monday in Theatre West and will run through Feb. 13. For ticket information, contact the Theater Box Office at 357-5819.

# ComputerCorner

Madelyn Boudreaux
*Current Sauce*

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Northwestern's system has many of the standard programs discussed in the many readily available Internet books.

> "The Northwestern State University Online Computer Network, often called the VAX, is your doorway to the Internet and the Information Super-Highway."
> **Madelyn Boudreaux**

Many people want access just to use electronic mail. Because most schools offer e-mail services, it makes keeping in touch with friends at other universities both easy and cheap. While e-mail can't replace a phone call, exchanging daily short notes can shorten the miles between even the most distant friends, and it's decidedly easier on the finances.

With e-mail comes electronic mailing lists which can be useful for research. These mailing lists, usually called listservs, cover every imaginable topic. Most are made up of scholars discussing important issues of their field; these can be a great help if you're looking for specific information for a paper. You can simply e-mail a question and receive response from other subscribers, often even from the best known researchers in the field.

Less scholarly but great fun is Usenet News, which operates like a series of bulletin boards, each dedicated to a different topic. You can choose a group — such as alt.society.generation-x, which deals with the popular culture of 18-30 year olds; talk.gun-control which allows a feisty debate on firearms; or rec.arts.films, which encourages discussion of popular movies. Over 2,000 different groups in the Usenet News menu are available, providing something for everyone.

These are just a few of the tools available on the NSU VAX. Other programs such as the Gopher, telnet, world wide web and ftp are also available.

*Editor's Note: If you have questions about using the Internet, send them in to our Computer Column. We'll answer your questions in this space each week as we explore the online world of the Internet.*


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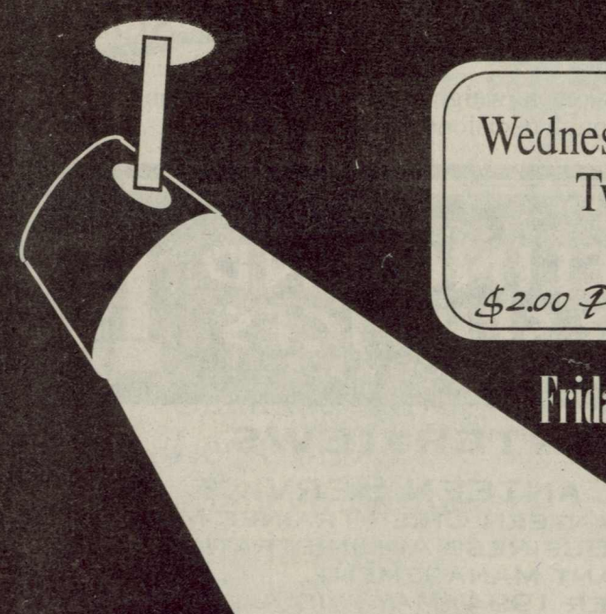


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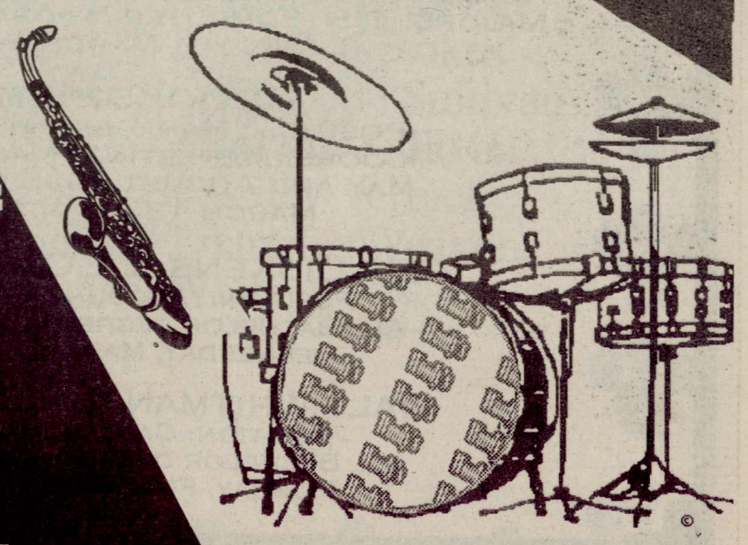
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# SportsBriefs

## McNutt named new NSU softball coach

Former Texas A&M All-American Gay McNutt, who helped develop USL's softball program into a national power, has been named head softball coach at Northwestern, Athletic Director Tynes Hildebrand said.

McNutt, 29, will fill the vacancy left by eight-year veteran and three-time Southland Conference Coach of the Year Rickey McCallister, who stepped down last May to enter private business.

As an All-American catcher for Texas A&M, McNutt was an integral part of an Aggie squad that claimed two national championships in the early 1980's.

She earned her bachelor's degree from USL where she was an assistant coach with both the softball and women's basketball teams from 1985-1989. She was voted the USL athletic department's "assistant coach of the year" in 1988. During her tenure at USL, the Lady Cajuns softball team captured three Southland Conference crowns while cracking the nation's top 20 poll and developing into a perennial national power.

Placed in charge of pitching and catching duties at USL, McNutt guided standout pitcher Stefni Whitton to All-American status in 1989.

McNutt left USL in 1990 to take the position of assistant strength and conditioning coach for the University of Houston.

McNutt's return to the coaching ranks came in 1994 as she became the assistant softball coach at Alvin Community College in Texas. She played a key role in leading the team to a 28-11 record in its inaugural season of play.

Though McNutt's first team as head coach is relatively young and inexperienced, she is excited and ready for the challenge.

"We may not win the Southland Conference this year," McNutt said. "But the kids' enthusiasm is tremendous. It will take us a long way."

## NSU track performs well at Arkansas meet

Northwestern high jumper Terrence Bean provisionally qualified for the NCAA Indoor Track and Field Championships and Lady Demon star Carla Davision won the 800 meters Jan. 27 at the Razorback Invitational in Fayetteville, AR.

Bean, a sophomore who won the Southland Conference indoor title last year, cleared 7-2. Davision, a senior who was second in the SLC Outdoor Championships last spring, ran a 2:19.74 to outdistance a 10-woman field in the 800.

Maryalyce Walsh, continuing her comeback from offseason surgery, was second in the 5000 meters with a 18:17.39 time. Teammate Danielle Schaeffer was fourth at 18:48.29 while Northwestern's Ruth Muniz finished seventh at 19:37.60.

Freshman Tiffany Cronin was third in the women's triple jump with a 36-5 mark.

In the women's shot put, Regina Buford was fifth with a 41-10 throw. In the men's shot put, Mike Heimerman (50-3) and Robert Wright (47-6) were third and fourth, respectively.

Demon sprinter Mike Cervantes ran fifth in the 200 meters with a 22.46 time. Cynthia Owens gave Northwestern a sixth in the women's 200, finishing in 26.08.

Lady Demon longjumpers Stacy Gay and Niema Malone finished 2-3 in their events.

Northwestern will return to action at the Oklahoma Classic Friday and Saturday.

## Seven inducted to Louisiana Hall of Fame

Football greats Fred Dean and Sammy White are among seven state sports heroes elected for enshrinement in the Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame.

Also elected were baseball coach Ron Maestri, basketball star James Silas, two-sport sensation Bobby Lowther and Walter Ledet, a football star who became the state's preeminent track and field coach.

Dean, a three-time All-American defensive tackle at Louisiana Tech, was an All-Pro standout in an 11-year NFL career with the San Diego Chargers and San Francisco 49ers.

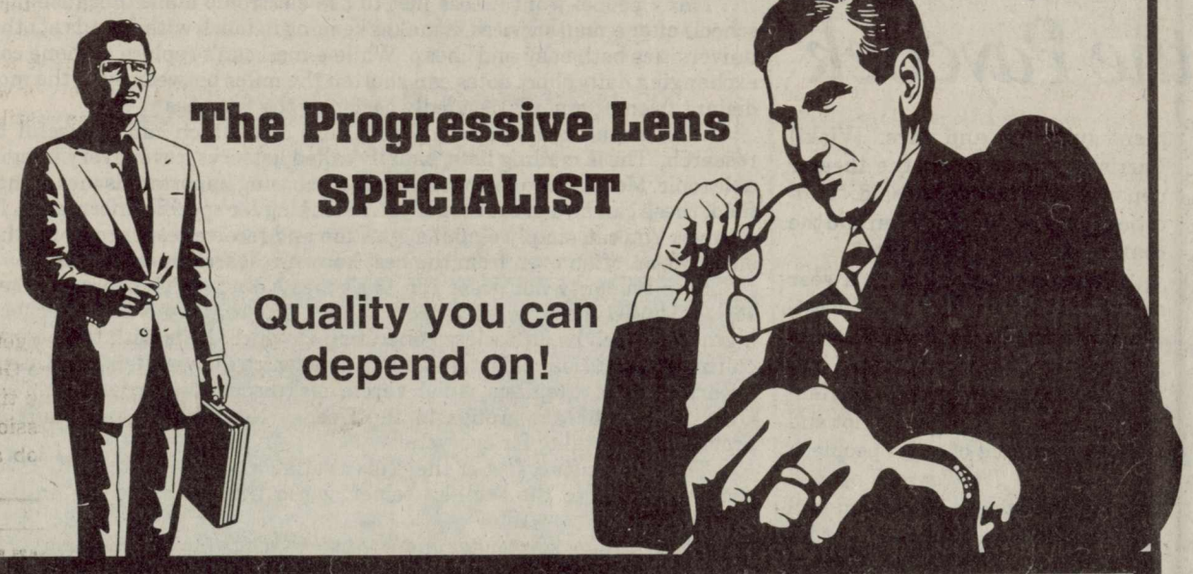
White, a sensational football player and basketball star a Monroe's Richwood High, on All America honors as a wingback a Grambling and starred as a receive with the Minnesota Vikings for years.

Silas, a Tallulah native, becam a pro basketball standout and h his jersey retired after eight yea with the San Antonio Spurs.

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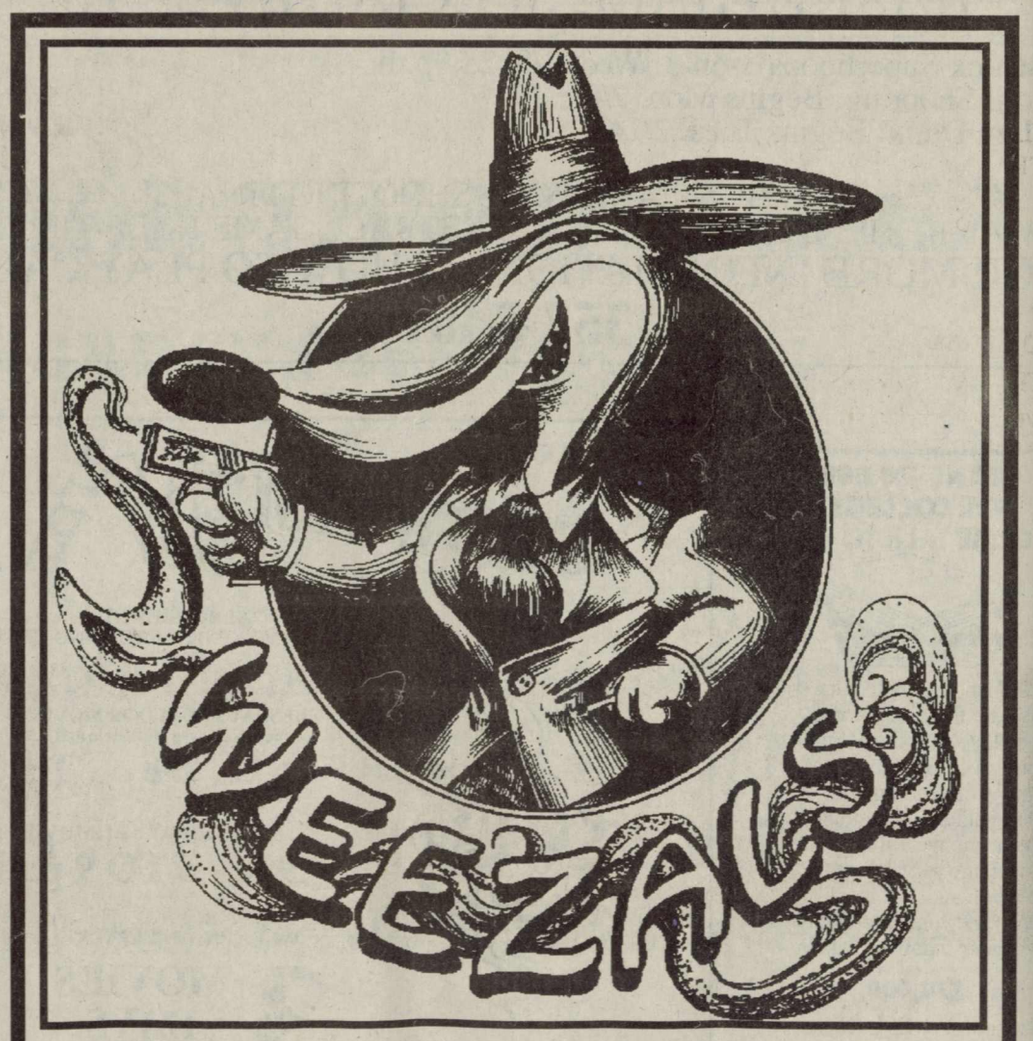
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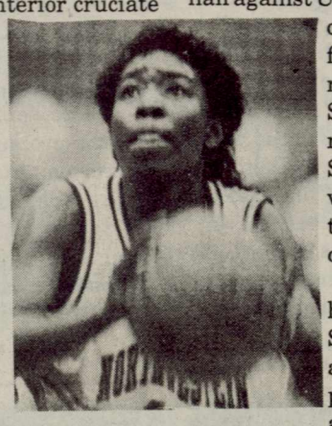
# Fear, pain from major knee injury can't keep Simpson from producing

David Weaver
*Current Sauce*

1994 was supposed to have been a big year for the Lady Demons' Angela Simpson.

The 5-7 shooting guard from Huntington High School in Shreveport was the leading scorer for Northwestern with 21.7 points per game going into the Lady Demons' 21st game when her season and possibly her career came crashing down.

While trying to make a move on her defender, Simpson came down hard and tore the anterior cruciate ligament in her left knee, ending her season and severely damaging Southland Conference title hopes for the Lady Demons.



**Simpson**

"I knew something was wrong when I went down," Simpson said. "When I got up it felt like my knee was all separated. It felt like my leg below the knee was gone."

Simpson underwent a total reconstruction of the knee on March 24, about a month-and-a-half following the injury. Leading up to the surgery and after, she subjected herself to a grueling rehabilitation program that would make anyone think of perhaps giving it all up. Not Simpson.

"Ankle weights, leg raises, squats," Simpson remembers. "I basically had to learn how to walk again. I had to learn my steps before I could even think about basketball."

Support from her teammates, coaches and family helped her through the ordeal, which didn't end for Simpson until she actually got back out onto the court and conquered the fear that all athletes face following a serious injury.

"It's normal for you to think about," Simpson said. "But I think that if you play scared you're probably going to end up hurting it again. When I was able to play without my brace it really helped me not to think about it anymore."

The junior social studies major has obviously stopped fearing the pain. She has topped the 20-point barrier in three of the last four games, pumping in 28 and 29 points respectively in last week's wins over North Texas and UTA. Ironically, the game Saturday against the Lady Mavericks was the exact setting of the injury—last season's UTA visit to Prather Coliseum.

Lady Demon Coach James Smith set up Simpson in the second half against UTA, letting her go one-on-one with her defender with slashing moves to the basket. She also played every minute last week, as Smith gradually worked up her stamina through the first half of the season.

"I would consider her 100 percent," Smith said. "Angela is a great all-around player who can score against anybody in the country. We knew that we'd be in great shape if she could come back to be the same player she was before the injury."

Simpson's return has coincided with the Lady Demons' rise to the top of the Southland Conference standings. Despite the tremendous success of the program (three consecutive 20-win seasons and well on the way to a fourth), only a relative handful of fans turn out for games in Prather Coliseum, a fact that isn't lost on the Lady Demons.

"I wish we would have people support us more," Simpson said. "It bothers us a little bit, but we just have to keep going. We have our supporters but not as much as the men's program has. We'd like to see more people at our games, sure."

Simpson also is a unique student-athlete in that she is also a long-distance mother. Her four-year-old daughter, Antravius, lives with Simpson's mother in Shreveport while Angela is at school. This fact, along with Coach Smith's recruiting, convinced Simpson to sign with the Lady Demons over such schools as Louisiana Tech, Notre Dame, Mississippi, and Mississippi State.

"I saw Northwestern as kind of a home away from home," Simpson said. "I didn't want to be too far away from my daughter, either. I liked the family atmosphere on campus."

Simpson is considered part of a "Big Three" trio which includes point guard Stephanie Shaw and forward Joskeen Garner. Shaw, the team's quarterback, leads the conference in assists and Garner is considered an All-America candidate, ranking in the top ten in every statistical category.

The pressure to win this season is great, but next season, when the trio play their senior campaigns, it should become a pressure cooker.

"We feel pressure," Simpson said. "Everybody is expecting us to win the tournament and make the NCAA's. If something happens and we don't make it, we know we won't be the first [conference favorite] to not do it." Chances are, with a full-speed Angela Simpson back and cruising, the Lady Demons won't have to worry about making NCAA Tournament reservations.

**DemonProfile**

Player: Angela Simpson
Hometown: Shreveport (Huntington High School)
Personal: Majoring in Social Studies (Criminal Justice); has a 4-year-old daughter, Antavius; born Angela Monnette Simpson, Oct. 5, 1973
In High School: Two-time Class AAAA All-State guard; led Shreveport-Bossier City area with 23.3 scoring average during senior year; four-time All-City and All-District 1-AAAA selection.
At Northwestern: As a freshman, used as sixth person off the bench, played in 31 games; combined with fellow freshmen Joskeen Garner and Stephanie Shaw to average 34.9 points, 17.6 rebounds, and 9.6 assists per game.
Last Season: Tore anterior cruciate ligament in left knee on Feb. 9 against UT-Arlington; led team in scoring at time of injury with 21.7 points per game; recorded career high 38 points vs. Mississippi Valley State and 13 rebounds vs. Stephen F. Austin.

# BASEBALL: Three-peat possible

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Karl Goins should share the catching duties this season. McHugh is a junior from Ohlone JC who possesses a great arm and strong defense. Goins, of San Diego, CA, is a solid left-handed hitter.

The Demons' pitching staff is the biggest question mark this season, with All-SLC hurlers Reggie Gatewood (11-3, 2.14 earned run average, 80 strikeouts), Keith Moore (9-3, 1.60 ERA, 62 K's), and Jim Pomirko (9-4, 3.20 ERA, 78 K's) gone from last season due to graduation and injury. Pomirko was scheduled to return this season, but shoulder surgery has ended his baseball career prematurely.

"We really can't replace those guys," Van Horn said. "Most of the top pitchers had already signed when I got here, so we were at a disadvantage in recruiting. Our key this year will be our offense until the pitching comes around."

The Demons return three pitchers in in senior Brian Dulin (4-0, 2.12 ERA), sophomore Corey Bond (3-0, 2.48 ERA), and senior Mike Jones (4-2, 6.51 ERA). Jones and Dulin could start in conference games, but Van Horn most likely will not use a set rotation when conference play begins.

Looking for innings on the mound will be transfers Zack Martin from San Jacinto JC; Jon Black from Texarkana JC; Mike Ruhmann from Meramac JC; and Bob Sanchez from Citrus College.

Sanchez could become the Demon closer and has outstanding movement on every pitch he throws. Redshirt freshmen Brad Miller of St. Francisville and Bob Templet of Plaquemine will round out the Demon staff.

The Demons have more than their share of question marks for a third straight title run. With Van Horn at the helm, they hope to find the answers quickly.

"As the two-time champs, everyone will come out against us ready to play," Van Horn said. "We're not the kind of club that is going to hit a lot of home runs. We are going to have to hit for average and the two-out base hits will be big for us. It should be interesting."

# RECRUITING: Goodwin pleased

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Spikes from the lists of most rival schools in the Southland Conference.

Other high school signees who figure to see action in the near future for Northwestern are Michael Green, a 6-1, 180 lb. defensive back from Ruston who was a Class 5A All-State selection as a senior and Clint Loggins, a first-team Class 2A All-State selection the past two seasons for New Diana High School in Gilmer, TX.

"Loggins is physically ready to play," Goodwin said of the 6-0, 250 lb. defensive tackle. "He bench presses 400 and is built like a Greek god. He's definitely mature enough physically to come in a play. But most of the other high school players we'd like to redshirt."

Those other high school players include defensive back/wide receiver Anthony Ford (6-1, 180) of Leesville; defensive end Mickey Hawthorne (6-3, 235) of Queen City, TX; defensive back Ryan Hedges (5-11, 180) of El Campo, TX; linebacker Jake Michel (6-2, 225) of Lafayette; and linebacker Trey Rochelle (6-1, 220) of Texarkana, TX.

Junior college transfers include defensive lineman Joel Baylor (6-1, 270) of East Mississippi Junior College and Meridian, MS; Kevin Hughes (6-0, 240) of East Mississippi Junior College and Columbus, MS; and kicker Gregory Mueller (6-2, 185) of Blinn Junior College and Bastrop, TX.

While expressing pleasure at this year's crop of new Demons, Goodwin said that Northwestern failed to meet all its goals in this year's recruiting.

"My only regret is not getting a big play receiver," he said. "We have so many seniors, so many veterans coming back, the only places we thought signees would make a big impact would be free safety or wide receiver and right now that's still up in the air."

# LADY DEMONS: Tough win

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two-game lead over second-place SFA.

"We've got seven conference games left," Smith said. "We've got to take them one at a time. Every team we play gives us their best shot, and the girls know that now. We've still got some tough road games coming up in the second half."

The Lady Demons hit the road for games Thursday at Nicholls State and Saturday at McNeese before returning to Prather Coliseum Feb. 16-18 to face Sam Houston and the big rematch with the Ladyjacks.

"This team is on an emotional even-keel," Smith said. "They get up for Stephen F. and that's the God's honest truth. The rest of the time, they remind me of a professional team just easing into the job and going about their business."

*BOXSCORE*

**UT-ARLINGTON (7-11, 8-4)**
**Terry 2-3 2-2 8, Johnson 8-27 4-7 22, Drake 10-22 0-0 26, Pierson 4-7 4-4 12, Haynes 1-2 0-0 2, Dowell 1-1 0-0 2, Kuperswith 0-2 0-0-0, Spriggs 2-7 0-0 4. Totals 28-71 10-13 74**
**LADY DEMONS (14-4, 10-1)**
**Lacy 0-5 0-2 0, B. Williams 2-7 4-8 8, Simpson 12-26 4-10 28, Cooper 0-1 0-0 0, Kaul 1-1 0-0 2, Garner 7-12 4-8 18, Shaw 6-10 4-8 16, Baxter 1-1 1-2 3. Totals 29-63 17-32 76.**
**HALFTIME--Lady Demons 41, UTA 40. 3-PT. GOALS--UTA 8-18 (Terry 0-1, Johnson 2-4, Drake 6-13), Lady Demons 1-3 (Simpson 1-3). FOULED OUT--Pierson (UTA), Haynes (UTA). REBOUNDS--UTA 48 (Dowell 9), Lady Demons 38 (Garner 12). ASSISTS--UTA 10 (Pierson 5), Lady Demons 13 (Shaw 5). FOULS--UTA 26, Lady Demons 13. ATTENDANCE--1,046.**


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# SportsWeek

Tuesday, February 7

# Lady Demons survive scare from UT-Arlington

David Weaver
*Current Sauce*

A week before Saturday's game in Prather Coliseum, the UT-Arlington Lady Mavericks paid the Lady Demons a favor by upsetting conference rival Stephen F. Austin.

The Lady Mavs almost pulled off another not-so-welcome upset, pushing the Southland Conference-leading Lady Demons to the limit before falling 76-74.

Northwestern (14-4, 10-1 SLC) had to hang on at the end because of a mysterious inability to knock down its free throws. When Angela Simpson missed the front end of a one-and-one with the score at 76-74, the Lady Mavericks had a shot to tie the game with under 10 seconds left, but freshman Stacie Terry lost her dribble along the baseline and the ball trickled out-of-bounds, giving the Lady Demons the win.

"They're quick," Lady Demon Coach James Smith said of UTA. "They remind me of us, but we're just a little bigger. Tonight we didn't have our quick feet like we normally do, and I don't know why."

Despite shooting a torrid 57.1 percent from the field in the first half, the Lady Demons appeared to sleepwalk at times through the game, allowing the Lady Mavericks to take as much as a five-point lead with only eleven minutes left in the second half.

After going on a 23-10 run over the next 10 minutes, Northwestern held a 66-74 lead with only 1:58 remaining, but UTA kept clawing and knocked the lead down to two in the final seconds, creating some anxious moments for Smith.

"We were not very quick defensively and they outrebounded us," Smith said. "They stretched us out over the floor and hit their threes pretty well."

Simpson, who appears to be back to the form she had before suffering a major knee injury in last season's visit to Prather by UTA, led all scorers with 29 points while picking up six rebounds. The junior from Shreveport has averaged 28 points in her last two games while playing every minute.

"They had some good defensive players, but I was really just trying to get them to foul me," Simpson said. "I like playing against a team that defends you well, and their guards are excellent."

Smith was confident that Simpson has returned all the way from the injury which ended her season last year and made her a question mark back in November.

"I would consider her 100 percent," Smith said of his prized shooting guard. "It's getting so physical out there and she gets banged around so much. It scares me to death."

Simpson was the focal point of the Northwestern attack in the second half, as Smith went to an isolation offense with Simpson at the top of the key and the other Lady Demons camped along the baseline. The offense, designed mostly for All-America candidate Joskeen Garner, enabled Simpson to use her one-on-one ability to drive to the basket.

"Last year we ran that set exclusively with Angela," Smith said. "This was the most we've used it this year with her, but it was primarily to rest Joskeen and keep her from having to work so hard on both ends of the floor."

Garner, still suffering from a knee injury that was banged in Thursday's win over North still managed 18 points, 12 reb three assists, and two blocked

"It hurt her and was sore," said of Garner's bad knee. why we kind of let Simpson r show the second half to kind some pressure off it. I kne game would be close with us the pressure off Joskeen, bu also nice to have her in Marc

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## Men drop third straight

# Scoring woes continue for punchless Demons

David Weaver
*Current Sauce*

With Saturday's 75-67 loss to Southland Conference cellar-dweller UT-Arlington looming over their heads, the Demons are now asking a lot of questions about themselves.

The one looming question is how to find enough offense to win again following three straight losses in which Northwestern (10-9, 5-6 SLC) has yet to break 70 points while allowing the opponents to shoot the lights out in Prather Coliseum.

"We can't score," Demon Head Coach J. D. Barnett said of his team's recent slump. "We scored 24 points in the first half against North Texas Thursday and 29 tonight. It's gotten to the point to where we're desperate and we've got to try and make some things happen."



Barnett

With point guard Ryan Bundy sidelined for the second straight game with a severely sprained ankle, Barnett went the majority of the contest with a full-court press that met mild success for the Demons. Northwestern also rotated its lineup to include a three-guard set most of the night to put more quickness on the floor and tried to play an up-tempo game.

"We're not very good shooters," Barnett said. "We get hammered more than everybody else, and it's because we're so doggone small. Tonight wasn't a lack of effort, because our kids played hard. It was just a lack of ability to shoot the basketball."

Senior guard Kenny McMillon led all scorers with 24 points on nine of 14 shooting, but overall the Demons shot a miserable 41.5 percent compared to UTA's scorching 50 percent. To compound the Northwestern troubles, McMillon and fellow senior Tarius Brown have been attacked by the flu the past week.

Brown, who leads the team in scoring and rebounding, continues to be hampered by a meniscus tear in his left knee and has seen his production gradually decline in recent games.

"Tarius' numbers have gone significantly down," Barnett said. "Everybody knows he's our key. He's getting roughed up and taking a lot of shots on his knee and it's beginning to affect him."

The loss of Bundy, second in the SLC in assists, has also taken its toll.

"It has been very difficult trying to find the right guy to run our ballclub without Bundy," Barnett said. "We have nobody that can generate a shot on their own. We have to generate shots for them out of some kind of offensive set. Tonight it was hard to get into sets. We simply can't score."

A McMillon layup at the 8:16 mark of the first half gave Northwestern a lead at 21-20 for exactly 32 seconds. It would be the only lead the Demons saw all night.

The Mavericks went on a 20-8 run the final eight minutes of the half, and would have seen an even bigger stretch had the Demons' Charles Duncan not nailed a three at the buzzer to send the teams into the locker room with UTA up 40-29.

The Demons, by using the press in the second half, pulled to as close as five to the Mavericks but could get no closer. UTA (6-13, 3-8 SLC) used some clutch free throw shooting by point guard Keith Cornett and 15 points apiece from Tony Williams and Damon Johnson to seal the win down the stretch.

"I'm giving the kids Sunday and Monday off," Barnett said. "I think right now the answer is not more practice. The answer is to try and get ourselves refocused and try to get enthusiastic about basketball again. We've hit a wall the last couple of weeks."

Northwestern will try to break down the wall this week with tough games at conference leader Nicholls State Thursday and McNeese State Saturday.

## So Close, But Yet So Far



The Demons' Tarius Brown (23) prepares to make a dive for a loose ball in Thursday's 64-59 loss North Texas in Prather Coliseum. Brown, the Demons' leading scorer and rebounder, has been ha pered by an injured left knee as the Demons suffer through a three-game losing streak.

### Coming up for the Demons

**Nicholls St. Colonels**
**Thursday, 7:45 P.M.**
**Stopher Gym**
**Thibodaux, LA**
*About the Colonels*: Lead SLC with 14-5 overall and 10-1 conference marks; posts Reggie Jackson and Gerard King are league's top two scorers; point guard Ray Washington leads in assists.
*Last meeting*: Nicholls defeated the Demons 86-71 in Prather Coliseum Jan. 14.

**McNeese St. Cowboys**
**Saturday, 7:45 P.M.**
**Burton Coliseum**
**Lake Charles, LA**
*About the Cowboys:* Tied for last place in SLC with 6-12, 3-8 record; key players are forward Alex Pazdrazdis, guard Damon Wordlaw, and forward Tony Mumford.
*Last meeting:* The Demons defeated the Cowboys 87-78 Jan. 12 in Prather Coliseum; Kenny McMillon led Demons with 27 points.

# Demon baseball set to make run at three-pea

## New coach, new pitchers hold key for Demons' third straight conference title

David Weaver
*Current Sauce*

The most successful sports program at Northwestern begins a new era Saturday in the 1995 baseball season opener against Southern at Brown-Stroud Field.

Dave Van Horn, who led Central Missouri State to the NCAA Division II national championship last season, will try to blend his own personal success with that of the two-time defending Southland Conference champion Demons.

Van Horn replaces former Northwestern skipper Jim Wells, who left after five tremendously successful seasons to take the head coaching job at the University of Alabama.

In six years as a collegiate head coach, five at Texarkana College and one at Central Missouri State, Van Horn has posted a 263-83 record (.760 winning percentage). Last season at Central Missouri he posted a 51-11 record and coached the team to the national championship.

"The Division I competition here appealed to me," Van Horn said of his interest in the Northwestern job. "I'll get a chance to recruit a little more here in the South, an area in which I'm familiar with."

The Demons aren't exactly a rebuilding program, a fact which should help Van Horn continue his personal roll. Although picked to finish third in the Southland Conference this season behind UT-San Antonio and McNeese, Northwestern should have a tremendous run at a three-peat.

"It should be interesting," Van Horn said. "UT-San Antonio is picked to win and they will be good. Everyone we play will be gunning for us. It will be tough."

Key returnees for the Demons include All-SLC first-teamers in senior center fielder Terry Joseph and third baseman Matt Donner. Joseph, from Marrero, slumped a bit last season with a .279 batting average but is a two-time all-conference outfielder who provides speed and leadership to the Demons. His power rose last season with 10 home runs as the batting average fell, but he managed to lead Northwestern with 60 runs scored and 22 stolen bases.

Donner, a senior from Senior Rapids, IA, led the Demons in hitting last season with a .370 average and 50 runs batted in. He also blasted five home runs and scored 33 runs for Northwestern after transferring from Muscatine Junior College in Iowa.

"Joseph and Donner are very important for us," Van Horn said. "We're batting Joseph leadoff and he will have to steal some bases and score for us. Donner is a good hitter who has worked hard on his defense."

The rest of the Demon lineup should include returning players Robert Landstad (.352, 2 HR, 28 RBI, 11 SB) in right field and Brad Duncan (.303, 23 RBI) at shortstop. Landstad, a senior from Saskatchewan, Canada, played in 53 games last season for the Demons in left field. He earned second-team All-SLC honors and his strong right arm has persuaded Van Horn to move him to right this season.

Duncan, a senior from Arnold, MO, was named All-SLC second team at shortstop last season. He hold the position with trem range and instincts. Dunca satility could see him batti

> "Everyone we play will be gunning for us. I will be tough."
>
> **Dave Van Horn, Demon Baseball Coa**

Junior Will Pearce (.538 2 SB in 13 games), and Nick Simokatis, Jason Rae, Gilmore should battle for field spot, with Pearce hold advantage because of his ability and strong showing fall.

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Juniors Shawn McHu

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# Goodwin pleased with Demons' recruiting, stresses offensive line and defens

David Weaver
*Current Sauce*

Long hours and long miles came to an end Wednesday for Demon football coaches with National Signing Day for incoming football freshman and transfers.

The Demons, coming off a disappointing 5-6 season last fall, signed seven junior college transfers and nine high school prospects, a couple of which may see action for Northwestern this season.

"Any of the junior college kids we're bringing in will have some immediate impact," Demon Head Coach Sam Goodwin said of this year's signing class. "I'm pretty well pleased, and just as much, I'm pleased we have a couple of scholarships left. This gives us some flexibility to pick up a transfer or two from a Division 1-A program or pick up somebody late who was overlooked."

Of the 16 signees, nine are defensive players, a fact that Goodwin said was intentional.

"The biggest plus is what we did defensively, not so much for next fall, but for the year after when we have to replace a big group of seniors [28, including 18 on defense," Goodwin said.

The majority of the seven offensive players were offensive lineman. The Demons brought in some big-time size and bulk with their five signees for the offensive line.

"We wanted to improve our pass protection," Goodwin said. "With all the big junior college offensive lineman I believe we've done that."

The offensive line recruits are mountains, averaging 6-4 and 295 pounds. By comparison, last season's starting line averaged 6-0 and 277. The new Demon blockers include Brian Bailey (6-5, 290), a transfer from Kilgore Junior College and Longview, TX; Marlon Black (6-5, 310) from East Central Junior College and Bristol, FL; Tom Casey (6-4, 315) from Cisco Junior College and Rule, TX; David St. Marie (6-3, 260) from Galiano and Clint Stuart (6-5, 302) from Pearl River Junior College and Hattiesburg, MS.

The Demons think the steal in Jeff Spikes, a runni from Burkeville, TX. Spik 165) was the leading prep r Texas the last two seasons, over 6,000 yards and averag ter than 15 yards per carry senior season. The Demons

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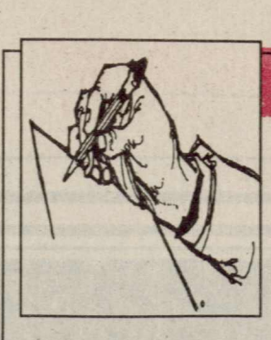
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Demons end slide; Lady Demons close in on crown



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Valentine's Day discussed historically and cynically.

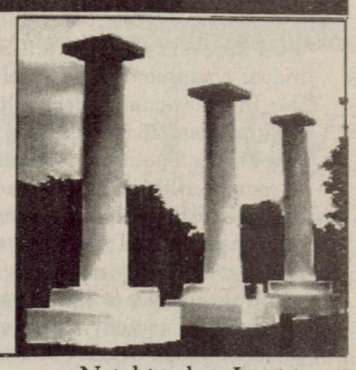


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Plan for next century is good idea if given a chance to develop


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## World Report

### CAMPUS

**NSU VARSITY COLLEGE BOWL TEAM TO COMPETE AT TEXAS A&M:** Northwestern's college bowl team will compete February 24-26 at Texas A&M. The Northwestern team consist of four students lead by Dr. Frank Serio, professor of math. The regional tournament will consist of 17 teams from Texas, Arkansas and Louisiana. The winner of the tournament will represent the region in the national bowl tournament.

**NSU ROWING TEAM WINS NINE MEDALS IN INDOOR COMPETITION:** The Northwestern Rowing Team competed for the first time in the C.R.A.S.H. B. indoor rowing championship in Dallas Jan. 28. Members of the team won nine medals out of six events. **Page 2**

**SAB TO HOLD SONGFEST:** The theme for this year's songfest is Rock & Roll 50's. Any organization or residence hall can choose any song from the 50's era. Trophies and money will be awarded to the top three winners. The deadline for submitting the application in Feb. 23. in the SAB office in Rm. 212.

### CITY

**ASSOCIATION FOR THE PRESERVATION OF HISTORIC NATCHITOCHES TO HOLD OPEN HOUSE:** The APHN will hold an open house at the Lemee House on historic front Street FROM 3:30-5:30 p.m. Wednesday The Lemee House recently had renovations completed in the furnishings and the draperies.

### STATE

**ALEXANDRIA TEEN-AGER TAKES NURSE HOSTAGE:** According to Alexandria police, a 16-year-old went berserk at a local psychiatric hospital Saturday night. He took a nurse hostage and later led police on a chase in a stolen van. Capt. Mike Slocum said the boy held a 12-guage shotgun to the nurse's head, but she was able to get away. Slocum said the boy was heading up Highway 28 West when he was finally captured.

### NATION

**ASTRONAUTS TASTE TEST COLA IN SPACE:** Coke-puzzling astronauts on this month's space shuttle Discovery mission didn;t drink the soft drink to quench their thirsts or get a caffeine boost Instead, astronauts drank Coke and Diet Coke to test taste-perceptions in space, said Louis Stodieck, associate director of the University of Colorado's BioServe Space Technologies Center.

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# NSU looks toward future in vision study

JANE BALDWIN
*Current Sauce*

As the world increases its knowledge on technology, Northwestern is determinednot to be left behind. In a faculty meeting in the Teachers' Education Building Thursday, President Robert A. Alost explained how the University will "change dramatically" in the coming century.

"The concern that I have is with the changes that are happening in society that will effect higher education," Alost said. "We must change dramatically or we'll not exist. What has gotten us where we are today will not get us to where we need to be tomorrow."



Alost

Alost along with various members of faculty and staff and students put together a rough draft of the "Twenty-First Century: A Vision," a study of the future of Northwestern. "It's a very thorough study," Alost said. "It's an insight of what needs to be done."

Various committees formed with a focus of interest is such topics as financial aid, international studies and athletics. Each of the committees gave recommendations on how that focus area can progress in the future.

In international studies, the committee suggested making and producing print and video recruiting materials in various languages and offer foreign internships to bring foreign citizens on campus.

According to the study, if Northwestern is to compete with other Universities in the future it must be able to offer more or "develop alternate futures." For example, Alost said the number of non-traditional students is growing steadily and the students want convenience.

"We are opening more sites [Many, Alexandria, and Fort Polk]," he said. "We are taking education to them."

Another venture for Northwestern began in 1984 when the University and Stokes' Images, a picture publishing company owned by *Alexandria Daily Town Talk* editor, Sam Deakin, combined forces to put education courses on television and CD-ROM. They are presently working

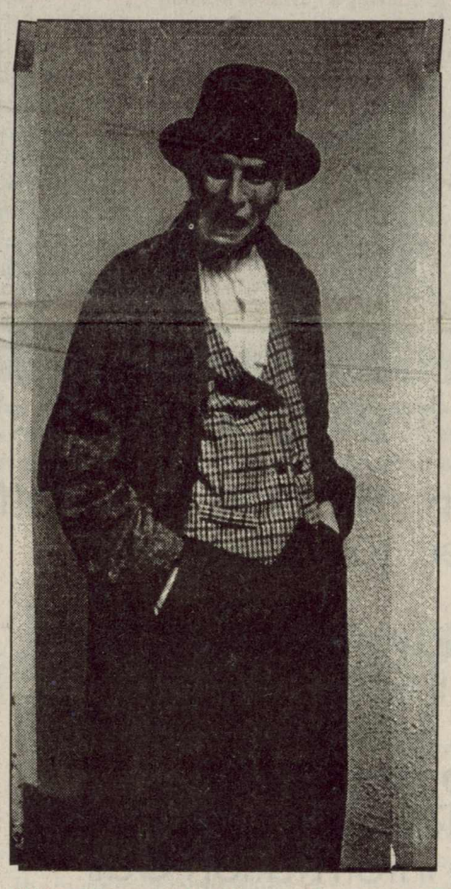
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**FUTURE GOALS FOR NSU**

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| TELEVISED CLASSES | COMPLETED |
| CD-ROM CLASSES | IN PROGRESS |
| INTERNET COURSES | IN PROGRESS |
| NEW CLASS SITES | COMPLETED |

# Taking a Break







**Members of the *Juno and Paycock* cast relax after their dramatic and sometimes humorous interpretation of an Irish family. Pictured top left (beginning left to right) are Robert Larriviere, Aaron Moreland, Amber Williams, Jeff Williams, Abby Pudlewski and Greg Romero. Pictured bottom left are Amber Williams and Jeff Williams. Pictured far right is Aaron Moreland as "Joxer Daly." See page 7 for a review on the play.**

PHOTOS BY JONATHON WALLACE

# NSU forms new advising methods

DEREK RABUCK
*Current Sauce*

Many students enrolled in colleges and universities do not see an academic adviser and as a result, make scheduling mistakes, Northwestern is implementing new programs to encourage students to see academic advisers.

The dean of instruction along with the registrar's office is in charge of adding over 100 computers for the advisers to use, and the institution of the degree audit system to be used by the advisers. These two offices will also be holding special sessions for the faculty to learn how to operate these new changes.



Durham

"A smart student will go to an adviser, particularly a freshman or sophomore," Hugh Durham, registrar, said. "A smart student is going to go to an adviser, get the good [academic] advice they need, to preclude failure to meet requirements, from happening."

Problems occur frequently with incoming freshmen and sophomores. Many students have no knowledge of the availability of classes and do not know the degree requirements.

"Advising is critical when a student is making the transition from high school to college, particularly the first year, through the core curriculum," Randall Webb, dean of graduate studies, said.

According to Durham, the new programs will enable advisers to call up a list of the classes a student has taken and a list of

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# NSU recognizes AIDS prevention month

## Valentine's Day declared National Condom Day

BRIDGETTE M. MORVANT
*Current Sauce*

February is AIDS Prevention Month and with the arrival of Valentine's Day, now is a good time to focus on safe, responsible relationships.

In fact, the American Social Health Association has declared Feb. 14 National Condom Day, a reminder to "love responsibly."

"Loving responsibly means carefully considering whether you are ready to enter a sexual relationship, having the courage to talk openly about one another's sexual history and taking preventive measures against sexually transmitted diseases," Peggy Clarke, ASHA president said.

The problem is that people say "he or she looked safe or clean," according to Elizabeth Hughes, Northwestern counselor at the Counseling Center. The fact is that a carrier of HIV or AIDS often looks healthy and feels fine. The carrier may not know he or she has the virus and may lie if he or she does know. An HIV carrier can still pass on the virus even if he or she is not sick.

The best way to avoid HIV infection is to engage in responsible behavior. Northwestern students are taught about AIDS and other sexually-transmitted diseases in Orientation 1010, according to Hughes. In addition, the Northwestern counseling center is available for presentations to dormitories and organizations.

Students should be aware of the dangers of HIV, AIDS and other STDs. According to Hughes, Natchitoches Parish had the highest rate of syphilis cases in Louisiana last year and Louisiana had the highest rate of syphilis cases in the nation. According to Hughes a tremendous amount of cases were reported through Northwestern and numerous cases of AIDS and HIV infection have been documented in Natchitoches.

Students wanting more information about HIV, AIDS and other STDs can pick up one or more of the many pamphlets available in the Student Union and in the Infirmary. These informational handouts include information on HIV testing, contracting HIV and AIDS, AIDS prevention, the connection between drugs, sex and AIDS, early symptoms of HIV, and living with AIDS/HIV.

According to the HIV/AIDS Services (HAS) Program of the Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals and the Office of Public Health, people can do many things to reduce their risk of getting AIDS. These include refusing to have sex, restricting the number of sexual partners, always using a condom, avoiding taking any non-prescribed drugs, refusing to share needles, avoiding sex with prostitutes and/or drug abusers, and avoiding sex

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> **Peggy Clarke, American Social Health Association president**

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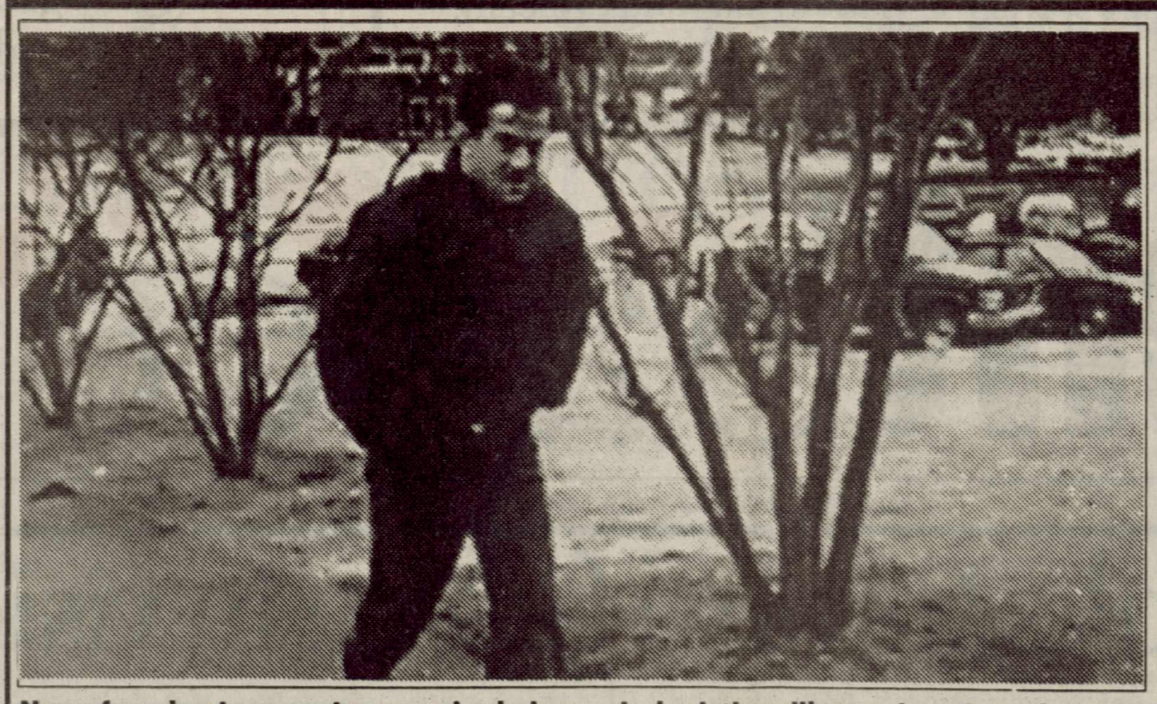
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## NSU rowing team scores big in indoor championship

The rowing team won nine medals in six events in the C.R.A.S.H. B. indoor championship, a satellite of the International Indoor Championships, Jan. 28 in Dallas.

The competition is conducted on computer-linked rowing machines so that each person competes against other individuals. The idea of the racing on rowing machines originated several years ago as a way to break the monotony for crews in colder climates whose water time is limited during the winter.

Jill Koozer, Abigail Lee, Stacey Pelto, Heather Simms and Kathryn Simms recieved gold medals. Vikki Boyd and Nicole LeBlance won silver medals and Lomi Dondom and Ross Kelly won bronze medals.



**Near- freezing temperatures and rain have students bundling up to get to classes. After a week of warm weather, the campus has been hit with high, cold winds over the weekend.**

PHOTO BY ERIC DUTILE

## Orchestra to perform original work of NSU music professor

An original work by Richard Rose, associate professor of music, will highlight a concert by the Natchitoches - Northwestern Symphony Orchestra at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 23 in Magale Recital Hall.

Rose's son, Stephen, will be featured on *Concerto for Violin and Orchestra* and a work by Fritz Kreisler.

"The work is an approachable work, but it is definitely a piece of 20th century music," said a Natchitoches - Northwestern Symphony conductor George Adams. "It is not an easy piece for the soloist, the orchestra or the conductor. But it's important for us to do contemporary work that is accessible to the orchestra and the audience and that promotes one of our own."

The orchestra will also perform the overture to the Verdi opera *Nabucco* and *Pines of Rome* by Ottorino Respighi.

Verdi's *Nabucco* was the composer's first big success.

"It was successful for a number of reasons, one of them was musical," Adams said. "The opera was about the captivity of the children of Israel in Babylon."

Respighi was a late nineteenth and early twentiethcentury Italian composer. He was a well known violinist, who spent much of his life as a professor of music in Russia.

*Pines of Rome* describes pine trees in four different parts of Rome.

Adams said a recording of a song of a nightingale is used as part of the work making Respighi the first composer to use recorded sound as part of the composition.

## NSU to hold summer session in Spain

The Office of International Programs is offering a summer session in the Land of El Cid and the Conquistadors May 22 through June 8.

The summer session in Spain is open to both students and non-students and offers the opportunity of exploring not only Madrid and Toledo but also the fascinating northwest corner of Spain: Austurias. This area is an important in a historical, religious, and geographical area of Spain.

The trip starts in Austurias with accomodations at La Ferreria castle, a structure started in the Middle Ages and connected to many legends and traditions.

The course will offer three undergraduate credits in a Spanish language or Spanish culture and civilization (SPAN 4210). Dr. Lisa Wolffe, instructor, will discuss the academic options available with each participant. Tour Director will be Gary Ross, head of Department of Language and Communications. The tour limited to 25 participants.

Total price for the trip is $2599 including roundtrip airfare from Shreveport to Madrid, accommodations at La Ferreria Palace and Madrid, three meals a day at La Ferreria, breakfast at Madrid, transportation and sight-seeing.

Enrollment for credit at Northwestern is additional.Financial aid may be available depending upon each student's eligibility. An informational meeting on the tour will be held at 5 p.m.Wednesday, Feb. 15 in Room 106 of Kyser Hall. For additional information, call 357-5213

## Division of Nursing to hold informational meeting

The Division of Nursing will hold an informational meeting at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 23. The meeting entitled, "NSU Nursing, A Proud Tradition, an Exciting Future," will be held at the Nursing Education Center at 1800 Line Avenue in Shreveport.

The program will provide current information on nursing education and nursing as a career, according to Dr. Arlene Airhart, director of Northwestern's Division of Nursing. Representatives from the University will be availble to discuss student life, admissions and financial aid. Prospective students and their families are invited to attend.

Registration for the meeting begins at 6 p.m. with a general assembly and orientation at 6:30 p.m. and sessions on specific topics at 7 p.m. For more information on the meeting, call 677-3015.

## Oboist Regina Parfait to perform Wednesday

Oboist Regina Parfait will present a recital at 7:30 Wednesday in Magale Recital Hall. The performance is free and open to the public.

Parfait, a junior from Houma, will perform works by Handel, Vaughan-Williams, Sibelius and Kalliwoda. She will be accompanied by assistant professor of theatre Dr. Terry Byars on piano and senior vocal performance major George Gray.

## NSU participates in "Troops to Teachers" program

Northwestern is looking for a few good men and women who are seeking a rewarding post-military career.

The University has become an active participant in the Department of Defense's "Troops to Teachers" program. Under the program, the federal government is giving the state of Louisiana $264,660 to hire a full-time recruiter and assistant to convince retiring military personnel to come to Louisiana to teach.

The government will pay up to $5,000 of the new teacher's cost for courses needed to gain certification. It will also pay up to $25,000 of a teacher's first year salary under the program and smaller amounts over the next four years.

Any qualified retiring military personnel with at least six years of service who leaves the service with an honorable discharge is eligible to participate.

Owen said Northwestern president Robert Alost has taken a leadership role in establishing the program at Northwestern. Alost, Owen and Anthony Scheffler, associate dean of graduate studies, have worked to give Northwestern a leadership role in this area.

Scheffler has been working with officials from the Department of the Army for the past year to develop programs to attract retired military personnel.


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# Columnist reflects on true meaning of Valentine's Day

Dawn Vallery
*Current Sauce*

Valentine's Day has never been one of my favorite holidays and quite frankly, I don't really know why. Now I know my friends believe it's because I don't have someone special in my life, but I think it really goes beyond that.

True, I don't have a serious romantic relationship nor do I even have a relationship of any kind with the opposite sex, with the exception of good male friends. But even when I was dating steadily, Valentine's Day was always the holiday I dreaded the most.

I think one reason why is red roses. They just aren't my passion. Don't get me wrong, I like receiving flowers, but red roses in my opinion are just so over used. I have always been partial to white or pink roses...why couldn't one of those colors been the choice of lovers so long ago? But I'm sure if white had been the color of love, I would wonder why red was being neglected.

Another reason is that everyone seems to take this holiday a little too seriously. It seems couples are too caught up in finding the right gift to spark a little romance in their relationship. To most people and yes, even to me, Valentine's Day does conjure up feelings of love and romance. Let's face it, the gift that is bought must be within those guidelines. As a close friend of mine told me, "You just can't go buy a blender like you could for Christmas or birthdays." She definitely has a point there.

## OPINION

Valentine's Day has become the holiday for those who never tell their special someone or close friends and family, "I love you." I guess it could be compared to the goodwill that is done at Christmas (which for those of you who are wondering, is my favorite holiday). This is the one time of the year those three words are spoken without hesitation by most everyone.

I hate to think that it takes a simple holiday just to let someone know that you love and care about them. Shouldn't it be done every day of the year? I know that sometimes I forget to let those around me know how very special they are to me, but I try not to limit it to this one particular day. I was taught with the belief that life is much too short to take such simple things for granted.

I know my friends will be shocked this year to discover that I have actually decided to give out Valentine's cards. As I've gotten older, I have come to realize that this holiday really isn't all that bad. My friends and family mean very much to me and I want to know just how much. Maybe I'm giving in to the commercialism of it...Nah. That isn't it at all, it's been rather fun picking out the cards and writing special notes on them. Maybe I have missed the point of it all these years.

So to everyone I know and even to those I don't, "Have a wonderful and very Happy Valentine's Day!"

# Chess Club makes 1st move

Leslie Hennigan
*Current Sauce*

Students interested in joining Northwestern's newest club must know how to handle the royalty, common folk and estates of a kingdom.

Experience with war is preferred but not required. The battles of kings, queens, knights, bishops, pawns and castles are all part of the lives of the club members. In a way these students are battlefield strategists, but what they play is chess.

Sean Schneyer, a junior in the Louisiana Scholar's College was responsible for the founding of the Chess Club. "I was involved in chess when I was in high school," Schneyer said. "I wanted others at Northwestern to get involved as well."

To get the Chess Club started, Schneyer first had to receive the approval of the Student Activities Board. An adviser for the new club was then assigned and a constitution written. After the editing of the constitution, the club was recognized as a campus extracurricular activity and acquired new members.

Presently, only about 25 players are members of the Chess Club. They meet from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday to practice strategy and challenge one another to matches. Each member offers suggestions and advice as to how each individual can make his or her game better. An event which Schneyer hopes will soon become part of the practice sessions will be the teaching of other students.

"I want people who don't know how to play to come," Schneyer said. "I want others to want to learn how to play."

Chess is basically a game of attack and defense in which each player tries to destroy the other's kingdom. The way to destroy one's opponent is to checkmate or capture the king, the piece with the most value on the board.

Unlike checkers, where the pieces may only be moved forward or backwards, chess pieces may be moved vertically, horizontally, backwards, forwards and diagonally depending on which piece is being moved. Discovering new ways to outmaneuver the opponent is what makes chess such a challenge.

Not all of the members are interested in competing, but some have recently expressed interest in competing for a title. Members recently sponsored a raffle to raise money for a trip to Baton Rouge, Feb. 18, 19 and 20, so interested members can vie for the U.S. Amateur Team South title. The winners of the competition will receive a trophy.

## Chess kings



**Chess Club members, Zeke Wetzel (far left), and James McPherson, both sophomores in the Louisiana Scholars' College, engage in a game of chess while selling raffle tickets in the Student Union Lobby. Fellow member, John Marsh, a freshman music education major, takes a break from collecting money to watch the game. The proceeds of the raffle will help send club member to compete in Baton Rouge, Feb. 18, 19 and 20.** Photo by Bridgette M. Morvant

## Holiday History

Keri Champion
*Current Sauce*

Valentine's day was first celebrated by the Romans as Lupercalia. This festival honored Lupercus, the destroyer of wolves, in the month of February. Participants in this festival customarily drew partners for the year.

The name Valentine's Day originated when Christianity became prevalent and the custom made its way to England and France. Christian priests wanted citizens to give up heathen practices so they changed the name of the holiday from Lupercalia to St. Valentine's day because it was held at about the same time as Lupercalia was.

St. Valentine was supposedly a Roman priest who secretly married young couples in opposition to Emperor Claudius, who forbade marriages to be performed because men did not want to leave their wives to go to war. Claudius had Valentine executed on Feb. 14, 269; therefore, this day came to be known as St. Valentine's Day.

The custom of drawing names was popular in England. When a young man drew a maiden's name he wore her name on the sleeve of his shirt and he became her protector for the year. She became his valentine and they exchanged love tokens with one another.



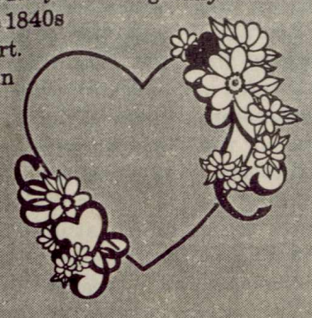
In the 1600s, married and unmarried men could be picked by women as valentines. In his diary, Samuel Pepys wrote, "Little Will Mercer is my wife's valentine, and Mrs. Pierce's little girl is mine."

One custom practiced in Europe was to round up all the children and to pass out treats to them. The youngest boy was to be Cupid. The other children adorned him with love knots and surrounded him.

Gifts were usually given to valentines some of them were very simple such as roses or candy. Others were extravagantly decorated or very expensive.

The belief that the birds started mating around the 14th of February added to the belief that Valentine's Day should be celebrated as a romantic holiday. However, as the years passed the influence of romance on this day has gradually declined.

The first commercial valentine was made in 1800. They were originally embellished with satin, ribbon and velvet as time went on. The 1840s and 50s saw a time when making valentines was an art.



At the turn of the century Valentine's day began losing some of its significance as a romantic holiday. Today, valentines convey feelings of friendship and affection more than love or romance; however, greeting cards and presents are still given to significant others. Therefore, the spirit of Valentine's Day still holds as a time to make someone you care about feel special.

Facts from *All About American Holidays* by Maymie R. Krythe

# *Valentine movies help keep couples close*

Angela DeHart,
Cari Pecquet and
Derek Rabuck

Today is the time for couples and friends to show each other how much they care. What better way to celebrate Valentine's day than to go to the local video store and rent a couple of movies to help you get into the romantic spirit.

## REVIEW

Since many people may be looking for movies to rent tonight, we've decided to cut down on your search time by making a few suggestions.

The first movie we recommend is *Love Potion #9*. This is the story of two scientists who experiment with a love potion given to them by an old gypsy woman. Full of laughs and tears, *Love Potion #9* is a very cute movie that leaves you feeling good in the end. It's the ups and downs of finding that special someone.

Another good choice is *Casablanca* which stars Humphrey Bogart. A story about finding a lost love, *Casablanca* is full of mystery and suspense and is guaranteed to keep you wrapped in each other's arms from the beginning to the end.

Next on the list is *The Princess Bride*. Pirates, royalty and giants round out this story about the affair between a would-be princess and a farm hand. When a twist of fate takes him away, she believes he is gone forever, until . . . . This bent fairy tale was directed by famed director Rob Reiner and is told through the enchanted eyes of a young, bedridden boy.

Another good movie to keep couples close is *Sleepless in Seattle*. Tom Hanks and Meg Ryan star in this romantic comedy about two people who are brought together by destiny with a little help from their families and friends — and Cary Grant.

Love is also in the animated air of Disney's *Beauty and the Beast*. If you have not seen this movie then hurry to the closest video store and rent it. This is the classic story of the prince who is turned into a hideous beast and who must win the love of the fair maiden Belle before it is too late.

Last, but not least, is the ever memorable *Gone With the Wind*. The romance between Scarlett O'Hara and Rhett Butler sets the screen afire in this timely classic located deep within the heart of the old South. Frankly, we don't give a damn if this movie is almost three hours long, it is the ultimate love story.

You do not have to stay at home to find a good movie to enjoy together, the Student Activities Board will be presenting the love story *Only You* in the Alley at 7 p.m. tonight.

If you don't mind a few tears dropping on your shoulder, check out *Little Women*, now playing in many theater. *Little Women* is a story about the coming of age of four young women in a male-dominated society and their struggle to survive turmoil and find happiness. Their quest for love may motivate you to find the hidden passion inside yourselves.

*The Ninth Annual*
***"Major Event"***
*has been moved from the Alumni Center to*
***The Alumni Living Room in the Home Economics Building***
*All journalism majors are invited to attend.*
*Time: 6:30 p.m.*
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# THE FUTURE

## Northwestern's Plan for the 21st century has merit, but does it have a chance to do what it promises?

As hard as it is to believe, we are only five years away from a new century—and millennium. The 21st century will bring about some of the greatest changes the human race has ever seen. And, it will be the century we spend our lives as productive adults.

It's interesting to consider what direction Northwestern will go in that time. Will the unprecedented growth experienced since the late 1980s continue? Or will the University become bogged down in the bureaucracy and B.S. that has grown in equal amounts?

President Alost unveiled his "Plan for the 21st Century" in a meeting with faculty members last week. His speech, accompanied by a text which is about 2 inches thick, promised a strong, vital university that is a leader in American higher education.

"We applaud the plan in its written form. And we're pleased the administration is not content to sit on the laurels of past success. But we do worry about the future of this plan for the next century."

This was the impression given, and much of it is convincing. Indeed, our writing center and telelearning classes are already premiere programs in the nation.

So what can future generations of Northwestern students expect from their University?

Dr. Alost calls the plan a "working document," so you may already see some of this vision going into effect. This includes expansion of the distance learning program as well as more obscure programs like poultry science.

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What we worry about is that the plan, while offering some fairly specific plans for the future, will lose focus in the stranglehold of government bureaucracy. We worry that department heads and instructors who care about carrying out this vision will not be given the authority to do so from that same bureaucracy. And more than anything, we worry that many of the plans for these programs will not see resolution because of budgetary problems.

Some may say that it isn't our place to worry. After all, the time students, and some faculty spend here is minuscule compared to the period this document spans. But we say it is our responsibility to get involved with this process in order to better not only the University, but ourselves, and future college students as well. This plan has the potential to do that.

The document is comprehensive, offering something for just about everyone. Faculty, staff and students need to examine this document for themselves and see what's in it for them. Then, they need to hold themselves, and the administration, accountable for the outcome.

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# Lincoln: 'Not the man you thought he was

## National icon's views on slavery contradict his popular image



**Mick**Dorsey

Hit 'em Hard

Well, well, well. Everyone seems to think that old Abe was a righteous man, especially when it came down to freeing the slaves. Well, I hope you are sitting down, because I'm about to plant some truth in the soils of your soft heads—if they aren't already too hard.

First let me say this before I begin: Even though he had black blood in him, he could never be a brother of mine. Yes, he did look and claim to be white, but what's the dominant gene? Thank you.

Whether he was this or that, he was still a rotten and unjust man for all races, particularly people of a darker persuasion. With that in mind, let me show you why he was not the man you all thought he was.

This is Lincoln's reply to editor Horace Greely in 1862: "My paramount objective in this struggle is to save the Union and is not either to save or destroy slavery. If I could save the Union without freeing any slave, I would do it and if I could save it by freeing some and leaving others alone, I would also do that."

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And in the Lincoln-Douglas debates, he states: "If all earthly power were given to me, I should not know what to do as to the existing institution. My first impulse would be to free all the slaves and send them to Liberia—to their own native land. But a moment's reflection would convince me that, whatever of high hope...there may be in this, in the long run its sudden execution is impossible...What then? Free them all and keep them among us as underlings? Is it quite certain that this betters their condition?

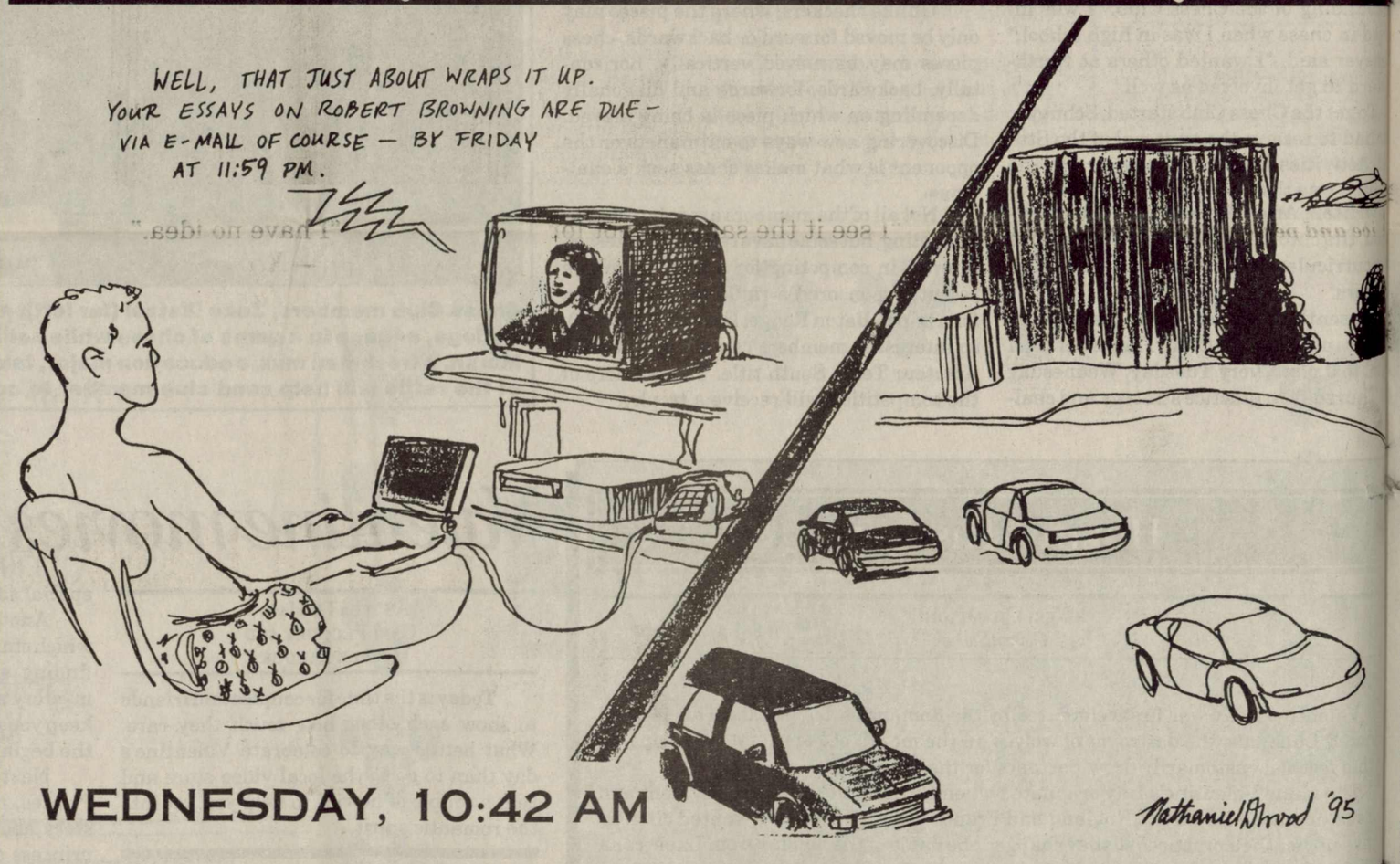
"I think I would not hold slavery at any rate, yet the p not clear enough for me to den people upon. What next? Free and make them politically socially our equals? My own r whites will not."

So you see, he and many of those times helped shape an us into what we are today. D like what you see? Unless yo blinders on or have been livi vacuum most of your life, I think you do.

Why isn't true history taught at all levels of educ Perhaps it's because one de group of people will slowly and become powerful, positive, con and ultimately correct the cen of wrong doings by practicing will and living humbly as it w be back before there was a invasion. But we all know tha history will always be "his because the "powers that be have any plans to wake the m giant, for they are too busy wall in the mire and laughing at th they've produced here on Ear

# Dr. Alost's Vision for the Future:

## Telelearning and the Internet solve the Parking Problem.




# Cuts to higher education a Republican mistak



**Madelyn**Boudreaux

Banana Notes

Twenty thousand dollars is a lot of money for most students, but that s how much debt a Northwestern student can accumulate over 4 years. And tuition is increasing steadily across the country at a rate of around 6.5 percent.

And now those brilliant men and women in congress, --you know, the ones who represent us -- are determined to cut $20 billion in federal aid for higher education in an effort to meet their contrived Contract with America.

Meanwhile, House Speaker Newt Gingrich wants to cut *another* $6 million, replacing Pell Grants with work-study programs because students are just getting [Pell Grants] fo. being alive, as he told a conference of college presidents. This may seem fine, but many schools require as many as 20 hours of low paying work-study as part of financial aid packages already.

Many of the college presidents who heard Gingrich s speech disagreed with his opinion that students are not responsible when it comes to funding their education.

Somehow, I just don t think we students, all of whom are underwritten in some way by government funds, are included in Congress' vision of America.

Parts of the Contract, which was a major factor in the Republican's November election coup, have already been abandoned.

For example, while it is purported to whittle down big government and federal operating costs, the proposed changes to the Regulatory Flexibility Act which is supposed to help small businesses resist such organizations as the Environmental Protection Agency will actually end up increasing the bureaucracy. These changes could increase the EPA s budget alone by as much as $220 million. So much for balancing the budget.

Congress insists that it upholds the needs of the middle class, but the Republicans don t even seem to know who makes up the Middle Class ; they want to offer tax breaks for families with dependent children to families with incomes as high as $200,000 far higher than what most people consider middle class compared to the Democrat s proposal offering these tax breaks only to families earning up to $75,000.

A national survey recently revealed that, while Americans overwhelmingly favor deficit reduction, 89 percent of those polled felt that federal aid to higher education should be maintained at current levels. Only Social Security was supported by a greater number of respondents, 92 percent.

Financial Aid is necessary for most students to attend any university. Our representatives don t realize that, by cutting funding for education and hence the ability of many to attend school, they are ransoming the country s future.

If the lower and middle classes, which make up most of the population, are unable to attend school, who will teach our next generations? Who will be our scientists, our medical professionals, our writers and even our law and politicians?

These cuts will require more students take out larger -- and $12 billion of the prop cuts are to the interest sub program that keeps student from accruing interest while student is still in school. With financial aid,students will ha work more hours and take f classes,which means they will school longer -- and the interes their loans will be even greate

The Congressional Republi have stated that in their effor balance the budget and reduce d every federal program but S Security and defense. Of co much of the federal deficit has blamed on the massive increas the defense budget between and 1986.

While everyone has heard rhetoric, that to cut defense leave our country vulnerable t malevolent whims of our ene --whomever those enemies are t days -- if these cuts to hig education are accepted, our cou will be even more vulnerable, un to compete in the internationa market and in technological gro

And if you think a weapons is bad, just think of how terrib education gap will be.

# Campus Forum

Tuesday, February 14, 1995

**News and Views from the Northwestern Community**

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## Forum Directory

**The Campus Forum page (formerly Op-Ed) was conceived as a part of the *Current Sauce* commitment to giving Northwestern students a greater voice on campus. Explained below are the guidelines for taking advantage of this page.**

***Campus Connection***

The staff of the *Current Sauce* invites all campus organizations to send announcements for publication in Campus Connection. However, we remind organizations of the guidelines involved. Campus Connection submissions must be brought to Rm. 225 by noon on the Monday before Tuesday publication.

All submissions should be **less than 100 words** and should pertain solely to **meetings, announcements and upcoming activities**. Birthday greetings, congratulations and/or product advertisements should be submitted as paid classified ads. Connections must be resubmitted each week they are to be run.

***Letters to the editor***

Should be no more than 300 words and must include the signature of the author, the author's classification, major and phone number for fact verification. They are due the Friday before the Tuesday publication date.

***Forum Viewpoint***

This section provides students the opportunity to express their views in a column-type format. Each submission should be between 400-500 words and include the author's signature and phone number. We will take a mandatory photo of the author to be published with materials received. Columns must be written professionally and include no personal controversy. They are due Friday before the Tuesday publication

***Current Quotes***

Current Quotes are gathered by members of the *Current Sauce* staff. The purpose is to present student opinions on a subject selected by the editorial staff. Students featured in this section are selected in no particular order on the Northwestern campus.

***All submissions must be in good taste, truthful and free of libel, malice and personal controversy. Inclusion of any and all material is left to the discretion of the editor. Anonymous letters will not be printed although signed letters may be printed with name withheld. All material must be received in our offices at 225 Kyser. All materials are subject to editorial alteration.***

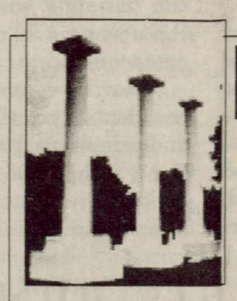
## Second amendment rights must be protected


JEFF COBB
*NSU Rush Limbaugh Fan Club*
*NSU G. Gordon Liddy Fan Club*
*NSU Second Amendment Foundation*


Boo Hoo. Sob. Waahh.

I sit here crying while writing this response to Robert Riechle's letter because I believe I also cried the last time someone had to resort to making fun of my name for lack of a better rebut. That was in the fifth grade.

Next time try "Jeff Schmeff" and "Cobb the Slob." Those always bothered me a lot. But, it's nice to see that some of us have made advancement in the arena of ideas since then. By the way, I do walk the straight path and when this world passes away, I will be entering the narrow gates into heaven.



## YourView

# Letter to the editor

Where will you be? As for the actions of Darren Rivers, I do not know what was going on, and unlike a liberal, I refuse to either condone or condemn a persons' actions when I do not have all the facts.

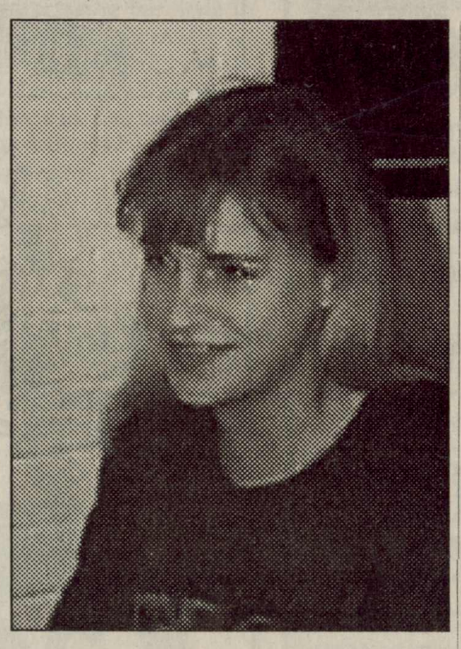
After all, for all we know, that abandoned house could have been a hangout for dope fiends and Mr. Rivers might have simply had enough. I erred in my first letter by not agreeing with the editors on how important personal responsibility is. Any parent who does not instill that quality in their child ought to be ashamed of themselves. But the fact that so many people do lack that quality is not a valid reason for taking away the rights of all people, You asked me if someone with bad aim accidentally shot one of my loved ones, would that person still have the right to be armed. My answer, unless they were found guilty of an actual crime, would be "yes". When God decides that it's someone's time to die, they are going to die. It's not my decision, nor is it the decision of the person with bad aim. This is an issue where you liberals really show your stripes. Y'all are continually mistaking rights for privileges. I guess when I say things you don't like, you probably want to take away my right to free speech. But it doesn't work that way. Even if I wanted to take away that hypothetical person's right, I couldn't because it's a right guaranteed by the Constitution. If you think that the Second Amendment was merely intended to allow people to hunt or to protect themselves, then you've completely missed the point. The Second Amendment was intended to allow people to protect themselves from a tyrannical government.

There are a lot of firearms in my house—all of them are used for so-called "legitimate" sporting or law-enforcement purposes. How different do you think WWII would have been if every Jewish family in Germany had been as well armed as my family? How many Jews would not have died; how many lives would have been saved if the Jews could have protected themselves?

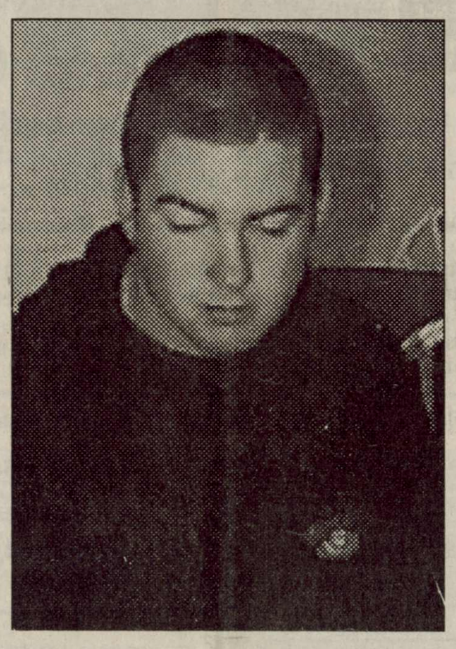
If you are the king that is interested in research, you should look up to the Nazi gun control laws and compare them to the U.S. Gun Control Act of 1964. I think you'll find a lot of striking similarities.

## CurrentQuotes

# What do you foresee for Northwestern in the next century?



"I see it the same except for the students being more spirited and more involved and higher enrollment in the university."
***—Kristy Fell***
***Freshman, General Studies***



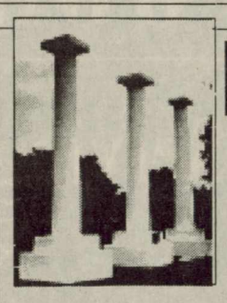
"I have no idea."
***—Karl Goins***
***Junior, PE***



"I think the University will get bigger and hopefully there will be more programs for African-Americans.
***—Melissa Wilson***
***Freshman, Hospitality & Hotel Management***



"I think Northwestern will expand a lot and will become better known throughout the state."
***—Lanell Glover***
***Freshman, Nursing***



## CampusConnection

# Organization News

***Pep-N-Spirit***

In honor of Black History Month, we will be hosting *Showtime at the Apollo* at 8 p.m. March 8 in The Alley. We are searching for a student comedian to host the event. For more information, call Debby at 357-3081 or NSU Box 3587. Any type of talent is welcome. Monetary prizes will be awarded.

***Sigma Sigma Sigma***

On Tuesday, dress up and wear badges. On Wednesday, wear letters. Sunday's meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. Bring your two magazines.

Don't forget the Robbie Page memorial. IM sports are to be announced at the next meeting.

***Argus***

Those receiving prizes for the fall *Argus* contest should call Dr. Helaine Ross at 6473.

***Blue Key***

Applications for new members are available in Rms. 214 and 309 Student Union. All applications must be typed.

Membership requirements include 60 semester hours, 2.6 cumulative GPA, membership in at least two campus organizations and hold office in at least one.

Our next meeting is at 6 p.m. Thursday in Rm. 321 Student Union. Members are reminded of the attendance policy and to wear their shirts.

***NSU Lacrosse***

I am trying to start a Lacrosse Club here. If interested, call Jeff at 6771 and leave a message.

***Cashier's Office***

Beginning March 1, the Cashier's Office will change lobby hours. The window will open at 8:30 a.m. and close at 3 p.m.

***BSA***

BSA table topics will be held at 7 p.m. tomorrow on the Cane River Room of the Student Union. The topic will be "An interpretive History of Blacks on American Films from Past to Present."

Pick up topic information from Treva or Frances in Student Support Service or call 5901.

***Lesche Club***

Lesche, a literary club celebrating its centennial year in Natchitoches, is accepting submissions for its annual contest.

Students may choose from the following formats: a poem of 75-100 lines; a short story of approximately 1,500 words; a short play; and essay of approximately 1,000 words.

The subject should be related to Louisiana culture and traditions. A $50 award will be given to first place winners and $30 to the second. Submissions are due on March 15. For more information, call Mary Linn Wernet at the Cammie Henry Research Center in Watson Library.

***Black History Month***

NSU will have an official opening ceremony to commemorate Black History Month at 2 p.m. Sunday in the Student Union.

***Purple Jackets***

We will have an invitational tea March 15. Requirements for membership include: 3.0 GPA; must be a female at a sophomore level; membership in two organizations and officership in one. Applicants must have attended Northwestern for at least two semesters.

***Delta Sigma Theta***

We will present *If Anybody Aks You Who I Am,"* at 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. Feb 22 in the Student Union Ballroom. All are invited to come out and celebrate African-American Commemorative Week. Those who could not attend Rush can pick up a packet from Shenika Bailey or call 352-8897.

***Phi Mu***

Be sure to wear your Red Ribbons for AIDS Awareness Week. We have basketball games tonight at 6 p.m. and 9 p.m. Those interested in being a Rho Chi for formal Rush should return applications by March 6. Softball practice starts at 2:39 p.m. Wednesday. Parents Banquet is next month. Turn in any negatives you have to Jamie Ott for the slide show. Final orders for Crush T-Shirts will be placed tomorrow. Contact Kathryn if you need one.

***Sigma Kappa***

Initiation is at 6 p.m. Sunday. Pledge meeting has been moved to 8 p.m. Tuesday for this week only. Don't forget open Rush at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday. Inspiration for our wonderful pledges initiating will be 8 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday and 7:30 p.m. Friday. Remember Kappa Alpha exchange at 8 p.m. Friday. Ritual workshops are at 9 p.m. Wednesday after Inspiration.

Study hall is 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Monday, Tuesday and Thursday. Wednesday study hall will be at 5:30 p.m. this week only.

## NIRSA Natural High

*Things you can do to make exercise less boring!*

1. *Make it less structured*
Hate having to look forward to doing the same old thing day in and day out? Well, add some variety already! If you've chosen Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays to get at least 15 to 20 minutes of aerobic exercise - go for a brisk walk on Monday, jump on your exercycle and watch a favorite TV program on Tuesday, and go for a swim with a friend after work on Friday.

2. *Make it less lonely*
Find a friend who's in the same shape you're in and arrange to meet three, four or five times a week for exercise. Or, take an aerobic exercise class twice a week, and meet with a friend once or twice a week.

3. *Make it more rewarding*
If you aren't seeing results as soon as you'd like, remind yourself that getting out of shape took time and getting back in shape will take time, too.
Instead of focusing on the future and future achievements, enjoy the present. Enjoy your walk or jog each moment you are exercising. Enjoy the rhythmic and "hypnotic" pace you've set for yourself as you pedal your exercycle. Enjoying moving through the water while swimming. Enjoy the moment.

4. *Make it easy*
Choose an aerobic exercise (or a couple) which is the most fun for you. If you hate jogging, don't do it. If you hate to exercise inside, find something you can do outside.

5. *Make it your 'gift' to yourself*
Don't feel guilty about taking time out of your busy schedule to exercise. Exercise is a gift you give yourself that will, in the end, allow you more energy to do things for others.

6. *Make it special*
Nothing can boost some people's morale like a nice set of sports clothing or equipment. Invest in some sportswear if you think it might get you more into the "spirit" than your old cutoffs and sweatshirt. If owning a superior piece of athletic equipment will boost your morale, splurge next payday, or drop hints before your birthday.

7. *Make it more structured*
Some people find that it takes a gimmick of some sort for them to stay with an exercise program month after month.

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# Media portrayal of beauty not realistic

## People should strive for fitness on an individual basis



## RebeccaBacle

## Forum Viewpoint

Thin is in. Let's face it, the media says so. You cannot watch television today without realizing the incredible emphasis being placed on "the body beautiful."

Models like Cindy Crawford and actresses such as Kim Basinger only remind us all of what the media's perceived vision of perfection is.

However, what one must realize is that we are all individuals, handcrafted with unique differences. And isn't that wonderful? Although some men may argue that a world full of Cindy Crawfords would be A-OK with them, if we all looked alike, what a dull world this would be—no individualism, no variety.

Rather than complaining and moping around because we don't "measure up" to model's standards, we should focus on our own potential and work to be our very best. If we continue to compare ourselves to models and movie stars of today, we will continue to disappoint and discourage ourselves.

We should then, set achievable and realistic goals for ourselves and work diligently to see those goals become a reality.

By selecting a type of exercise you enjoy and perhaps exercising with a friend or an accountability partner, if you will, exercise will soon become an activity that you learn to love rather than loath.

Plus, exercise is a good mental release as well. So as you chase away unwanted inches and pounds, you can chase away the blues as well.

It's been proven that exercise promotes a longer, healthier life. In addition to exercise, eating right is one of the single most important keys to health and fitness. Besides, who couldn't benefit by eating foods full of nutritional value and low in saturated fat?

By setting achievable health goals, exercising daily and eating healthier you will be well on the way to wellness.

Wellness is more than just not being sick. It's a positive state of health that embraces all aspects of you: the physical, mental, emotional and spiritual you.

Nothing is more important than your wellness because no one is more wonderfully made than you—not even Cindy Crawford. So be a winner. Make today the day you start to improve the already perfect you. We can all "win with wellness."

# AIDS: Northwestern encourages students to have safe sex

*Continued from the front page*

with anyone who has had lots of sexual partners.

The Louisiana Office of Public Health further states that couples should always use a latex condom during intercourse. Couples should follow the direction printed on the condom package. Couples should use birth control foam, jelly or cream with nonoxynol-9 rather than petroleum jelly, hand cream or any oil with the condom. Condoms are available free of charge in several locations in Natchitoches, Hughes said.

Hughes said that most STDs are contracted while a person is under the influence of alcohol. Students should remember that their judgment is always impaired when influenced by alcohol and/or drugs. According to an informational pamphlet from the American Red Cross, "You may take dangerous risks or avoid protecting yourself from HIV infection/AIDS when you are high on drugs or alcohol. Avoiding drugs can help you avoid becoming infected."

Behavior which leads to HIV/AIDS infection includes having sex with an infected person and/or sharing needles or "works" with an infected person. A woman can also give the virus to her baby before birth, during birth and through breast-feeding.

Students who suspect they may have been infected with HIV should seek testing immediately. No one should donate blood in order to be tested for the virus and anyone suspecting he or she might be infected should refrain from donating blood, plasma, sperm, body tissue or organs, according to the American Red Cross.

Results of HIV testing may be recorded in a person's medical records. If so, state law allows these test results to be released, without the patient's written consent, to those who would normally have access to medical records.

Northwestern students may confidentially check out videos, books and pamphlets from the Counseling Center Rm. 305 of the Student Union. The center can also make referrals to interested students.

# FUTURE: NSU plans to use technology in course work

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with Rapides General and Cabrini Hospital to provide instructional programs for them.

Another part of the plan was forming the Telecommunications studio. Northwestern broadcasts classes live to different sites throughout the state, but according to Alost the studio is not "economically effective right now because we are not selling to a large enough market."

Northwestern is also putting educational courses on Inter Net.

"We need to convert students to be true consumers and teachers to be producers," he said.

To help in this process, the University has hired two outside consultants who have international contacts. They will work with Northwestern on "economic development and initiatives" in the Alexandria and Shreveport areas.

Alost plans to have the last stages of the study by designing and developing a plan of action to be completed this Spring.

# ADVISING: New advising methods will help students

*Continued from the front page*

classes needed to complete degree requirements. These changes will enable the advisers to construct a class schedule to register the student. "These new changes will further decentralize the registration process at Northwestern," Durham said.

The availability of a list of classes previously taken with the grade received, along with a preprogrammed degree requirement schedule, will enable the advisers to rely more on fact when advising a student.

"Northwestern is standing on the brink of having one of the better advising systems in the state," Webb said.

"It's a step in the right direction and a formal process of reinstituting a good advising system at NSU," Durham said.


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# Players bring alive *Juno* to NSU audience

HANK CANNON
*Current Sauce*

Members of Northwestern's Theater group delivered a stellar performance during last week's run of Sean O'Casey's *Juno and the Paycock*.

The play, which was directed by Terry Byars, takes place in 1922 in Dublin, Ireland during that country's civil war.

The action takes place in the tenement apartment of the Boyle family. Juno Boyle, portrayed by Abby Pudlewski, is the matriarch who has kept the family together in the face of adversity for years. Her shiftless husband, Captain Jack Boyle, played by Robert Larriviere, is an aging seaman who develops sharp pains in his legs every time the word "work" is mentioned in a sentence concerning him. He spends his days cruising the pubs getting drunk with the equally shiftless Joxer Daly, played by Aaron Westmoreland. Johnny Boyle, played by Greg Romero, is their physically and psychologically scarred son who lost his arm and his wits to an explosion while fighting with the Irish Republican Army.

Because of the virtual incapacity of the male members of the family, it falls to Juno and their daughter Mary Boyle, a double cast role played by Courtney Bailey and Stephanie Hodgdon, to work to keep food on table and a roof over their heads.

The family's prospects seem to change for the better when a dapper young teacher from England, Charlie Bentham, played by Doug Lowry, brings the family news that Jack Boyle has inherited a great deal of money from a distant relative. The Boyles, speculating on the inheritance, borrow money from their friends and refurnish their tenement on credit, going deeply into debt. Young Bentham also be

## REVIEW

gins to court Mary, dazzling the girl with his learning and stealing her away from Jerry Devine, played by Jeff Williams, a prosperous up and coming union man who has been smitten with Mary for years. The actors did an excellent job with the Irish dialect. Dialect tapes were available to the students two months prior to auditions for the show. The performances showed that that resource was put to good use.

The dual casting of Courtney Bailey and Stephanie Hodgdon as Mary Boyle was unique for Northwestern and it came off well with each actress bringing her style to the role. Bailey's Mary was idealistic innocence defiled, while Hodgdon's Mary held an idealistic strength that was crushed by the play's events. Other memorable performances were given by Amber Williams, who played the rambunctious Maisie Madigan and by Williams and Lowry. All of the supporting cast brought color to the play and served an important role as emotional beacons to the audience.

Interestingly enough, if the locale was changed from Dublin, Ireland to Oakland, California and all of the accents changed, this story could easily take place now: a testament to how universal the problems people endure are. Some audience members chuckled at some of the more serious parts of the play, especially when Johnny was dragged kicking and screaming from the house, but that same atmosphere: random violence, shiftless fathers, mothers who hold down home and hearth, exists, in contemporary movies such as *Boyz N The Hood* and *New Jack City*. Unlike in Juno, where the motive for violence is "freedom" for Ireland, in the movies the motives revolve around drugs and money.

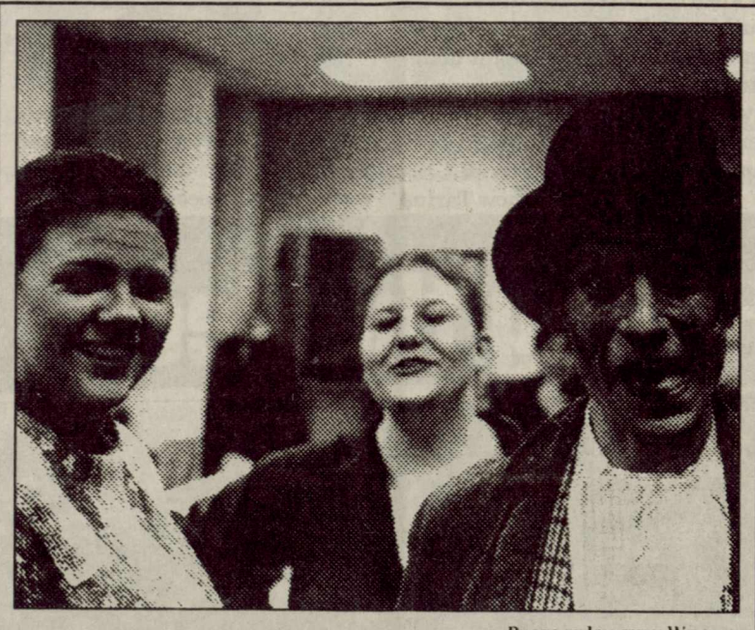


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**Players in Juno and the Paycock included Amber Williams (Maisie Madigan), Abby Pudlewski (June Boyle), Aaron Moreland (Joxer Daly).**

# From the Record Bin

RICK ANDERSON
*College Press Service*

*They Might be Giants*; John Henry; Grade: A

Remember back in the mid-80s when these guys first appeared, and it seemed like they couldn't make up their minds about what style of music to play? Well, five albums later it turns out that not knowing what style of music to play IS their style of music. And they can get away with it because their songs all have such monstrous hooks—remember how it took a week to get "Ana Ng" out of your head every time you heard it?

That said, this new album is actually something of a departure for TMBG, because they are joined here by an ace backup band that provides quite a bit of extra muscle and a degree of continuity to their sound, making this by far the rockingest and most sonically consistent album they've ever produced. Sure, you still may suffer aural whiplash going from the alternately grungy and jangly "Sleeping in the Flowers" directly into the country dirge of "Unrelated Thing." But after you listen to the whole disc you'll be surprised to notice that it all does sound like it was produced by the same group of people, which is more or less unprecedented for this band.

**Next Week in A&E: Reviews of *The Rounders* CD Plus info on the new TekWar and Time Cop series' and a feature on the new *Tom Thumb* animated film.**


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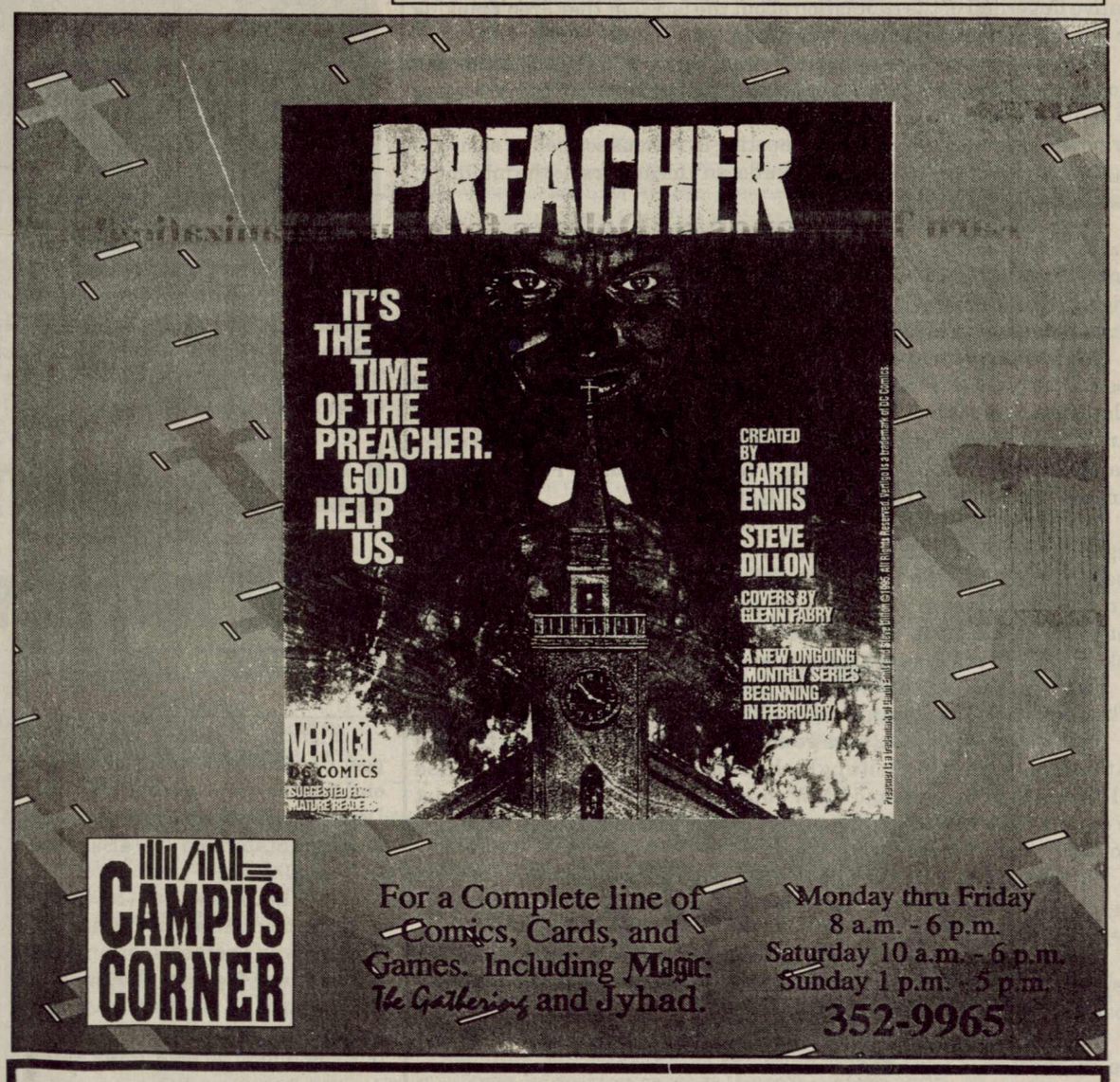
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# Normal people bear the brunt of baseball war

I have always looked upon sports as an art form.

Is there anything more beautiful than watching a finely-trained athlete soaring through the air to dunk a basketball, a la Michael Jordan?

How about the unbelievable spin moves of a relative dwarf on the football field, such as the King of Spin, Barry Sanders?

Any sport—from the timely measurement of swinging a seven-iron to reach the green to a forehand crossing shot to the final lunge at the finish line—has a certain trace of grace and athleticism that pushes the limits of our human minds.

Sports in America do have a dark side, however. There are your usual drug problems, lockouts, crippling injuries, fan violence.

**David**Weaver



But no other cancer is as big in professional sports as is baseball's labor war, which officially hit the six-month mark Sunday. That's half a year of arguing and bickering over billions of dollars and who's going to get the most of it.

Things have gotten so bad with the national pastime that politics have entered the fray. President Clinton's attempt to solve the dispute last week (and pick up the all-important sports fan vote) ended with both sides farther apart than they ever have been, and the Republican Congress has decided that the all-important anti-trust exemption for major league baseball is not as important as a revised crime bill or line-item veto.

As a result, spring training camps are scheduled to open later this week with what the owners call "replacement" players. The players' union and most baseball analysts see this tactic as an all-out attempt to bust the union and force the real players back onto the field.

"Play ball!"

That's my motto. I don't care if Andy Van Slyke or Andy Griffith is on the field. I'm sick and tired of hearing the moaning and groaning of a relative fingernail of the population about the fact that they aren't making the kind of money they should be making.

The owners are offering the minimum salary of $115,000 to anyone who makes an Opening Day roster and $20,000 termination pay whenever the strike ends. Do you realize how much many that is to a blue-collar worker who spends his summers competing in various softball or semi-pro leagues? Let's just say that Slick Willie doesn't mean to raise the minimum wage *that* much.

Replacement baseball is exactly what this sport needs to inject a little bit of dignity back into a sport which, frankly, has gone down the toilet. Just think—these players would be so happy to play ball in Yankee Stadium or Wrigley Field, there would be no contract squabbles, no contract holdouts, no trade demands. And no Donald Fehr.

There's the root of the problem right there. The problem isn't salary caps or luxury taxes or revenue sharing or free agency. The problem is the little players union head is living with the ghost of former union chief Marvin Miller, who led the players during the 1982 strike and basically created the union empire as it stands today. Miller is to Fehr what Joe Montana was to Steve Young--a gorilla on the back.

He has no intention of bringing the players to an agreement at the bargaining table. I am no genius but have figured that out. He wants to drag baseball into the courts and force a judged settlement on both sides and then say that he was the one who finally got the dreaded antitrust exemption knocked out. Donald Fehr sees himself as a page in a history book, when he's really nothing but a bookmark.

He's a bookmark to the worst era that baseball has seen. This ugliness makes the Black Sox Scandal of the 1920's look like a sitcom.

Only one group of people are getting the raw deal out of all of this. It's not the players, who are all sitting back on the millions they've collected and still driving their Ferraris and BMW's during an extended vacation. It's not the owners, who obviously have all the money that the players want and who don't want to share it with them.

It's the normal guys like you and me getting the shaft.

It's the peanut, popcorn and hot dog vendor that's out of work for no reason of his own.

It's the bleacher bum who works six days a week and the only day off he spends with a beer in one hand and beer in the other, enjoying the *game* of baseball no matter who wins.

It's time to return this national pastime to a nation of fans who don't care about salaries or profits.

It's time to play ball, and anyone will do.

## Losing streak ends with strong performance at McNeese

# Brown, Bundy stop Demons' slide

David Weaver
*Current Sauce*

The Demons' Bull has awakened.

Demon forward Tarius Brown, hampered by a meniscus tear in his left knee for most of Northwestern's Southland Conference schedule, turned in his second straight dominating performance in Saturday's 76-70 win at McNeese State to help the Demons (11-10, 6-7 SLC) stop a four-game conference losing streak.

"I was pleased to see how Tarius Brown responded again," Demon Head Coach J. D. Barnett said after watching his team end a four-game slide. "He's not playing nearly as cautious as he once was. From his standpoint I'm really proud of him. He played two tremendous basketball games this week."

Brown, a 6-3 senior walk-on from Birmingham, Al., pumped in 29 points and ripped 11 rebounds in the Demon victory, which halted a skid that had knocked Northwestern from a second-place tie to the seventh slot in the SLC standings.

Known by his teammates as "Bull", Brown's performance against McNeese followed a losing effort against conference leader Nicholls State Thursday in which he scored a career-high 30 points.

Brown's return from his recent offensive slump coincided Saturday with the return of point guard Ryan Bundy, who missed three straight games with a sprained ankle.

Bundy, who ranks second in the conference in assists, dished out six Saturday and scored on a crucial driving layup with 42 seconds remaining in the game to give Northwestern a 72-68 lead.

"We've had a very difficult ti trying to find somebody that c stabilize our offense and make su we got the ball in the right hands the right player, particularly Tariu at the right time," Barnett sai "Bundy makes a tremendous amou of difference for us because of h ability to stabilize our basketb team. This would have been a ve hard win for us without him be there to handle their pressure a get us some shots."

Northwestern also got a big l from freshman Charlie Johnson, w went 4-4 from three-point range the first half, including one at t halftime buzzer which extended t Demons to a 12-point halftime a vantage.

"That was a gigantic thre Barnett said. "It put us up by instead of single digits at ni Charlie was very hot, and if a gu hot, you use him until he gets col

The Demons were hot most the night, shooting 54.7 percent fr the field. McNeese, coming off upset win over red-hot Northea Louisiana in which the Cowboys sh an incredible 75 percent in the se ond half, was held to almost h that total by Northwestern, 46.1

Brown and Johnson pushed t Demons to an early lead in the fi half, accounting for 10 Northwestern's first 13 points. F lowing a timeout at the 15-min mark, Brown converted thr straight buckets to push the Dem advantage to 19-11 before McNee scored again at the 11-minute ma

Northwestern held the Cowbo to just three field goals in the fi 5:15 of the half, with Brown finis ing the first 20 minutes with points.

McNeese awoke in the sec half and went on a 9-0 run to cut Northwestern lead from 51-38 to 47 with 14:48 remaining. The C boys, using a man-to-man trapp defense, scored their nine poi during the run in less than minute.

"They went to that pressure that helped our field goal perce age," Barnett said. "We got so m layups off of their pressure by u the long diagonal pass."

McNeese, however, contin to claw back and finally tied game at 59 with 9:30 remaining bucket by Paul Curtis. The Cowb took their second lead of the gam 65-63 on two free throws by Alvy Pazdrazdis with 4:18 left.

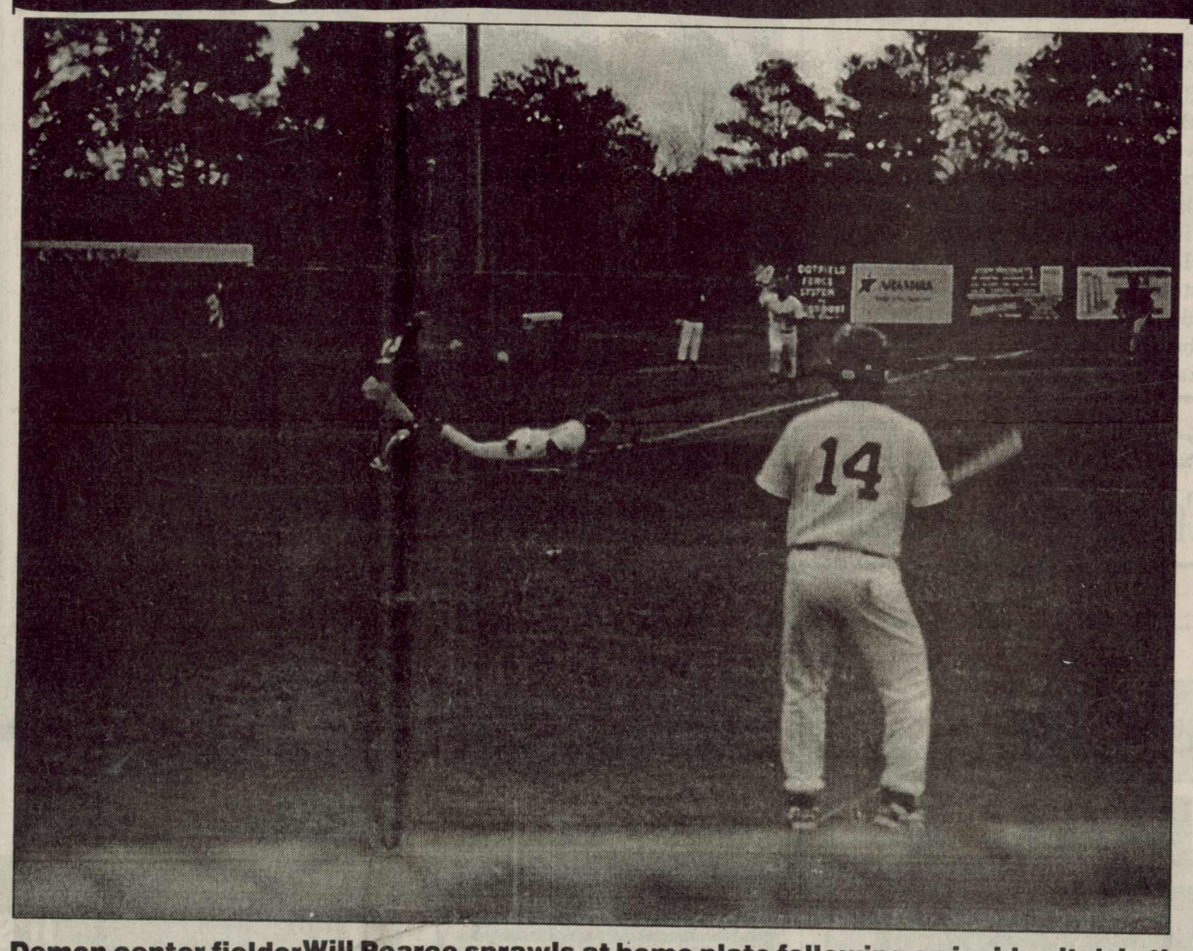
But the Demons closed the g on a 13-5 run and held McNees one field goal in the final four m utes. A Brown three-point pla the 3:01 mark gave Northwest the lead for good at 68-65, and Demons hit four of six free thr down the stretch to seal the wi

"This was a critical game, a g we had to win," Barnett said. have a chance to do anything had to win this game. I want to m sure we get to the [conference] t nament and I don't want to hav play Nicholls, the best team in league, in the first round at th place."

Despite Northwestern's rec troubles and drop in the standi the Demons aren't ready to give on the season just yet, with a week off before the final two regu season home games against Steph F. Austin Saturday and Sam Ho ton State Monday.

"I haven't given up on anythi Barnett said. "Every game we p from here on out is paramount to success and very critical."

## Hitting the deck



**Demon center fielder Will Pearce sprawls at home plate following an inside pitch in the second game of Monday's doubleheader with Louisiana College at Brown-Stroud Field. The Demons, on the strength of its pitching staff, swept the Wildcats to improve to 3-0 on the season.**

# Lady Demons close in on SLC title with narrow win over McNeese

David Weaver
*Current Sauce*

Fighting a sudden epidemic of poor free-throw shooting for the second-time in three games, the Lady Demons were able to slip by a scrappy McNeese State team 76-74 Saturday in Lake Charles.

The Lady Demons (16-4, 12-1 SLC) inched closer to Saturday's showdown in Prather Coliseum with second-place Stephen F. Austin on the strength of All-America candidate Joskeen Garner, who pumped in a game-high 26 points and pulled down eight rebounds.

Stephanie Shaw added 18 and Angela Simpson 17 for the Lady Demons, who had to watch as McNeese's Ines Parker missed a driving shot at the buzzer following a miss at the free throw stripe by Simpson.

The Lady Demons, who rank No. 1 in the SLC in free throw shooting, missed several key charity shots down the stretch in a 76-74 win over UT-Arlington Feb. 4 and converted only 18 of 28 free throws Saturday.

The Cowgirls jumped on Northwestern and led for much of the first half, enjoying its largest lead in at 19-10 with 11 minutes remaining. The Lady Demons went on a 17-6 run in the next five minutes to take their first lead, 27-25, with six minutes to go before halftime. During the run, Garner scored eight of her 16 first half points and Simpson five of her six.

McNeese responded with a 10-8 stretch that sent both teams into the locker room tied at 35. The Cowgirls' Robin Daniels, the leading scorer in the SLC, was held to nine points in the first half to lead McNeese.

The Cowgirls opened the second half with a three-pointer from Chrissy Carrell and a three-point play from Chris Blackwell to open a 41-35 lead. But Simpson popped a three on Northwestern's next possession and Bridgete Williams sank two free throws to quickly close the gap to 41-40.

Trailing 45-44, the Lady Demons went on a 9-4 run over the next four minutes to take the lead for good, 53-49. Northwestern led by eight, 72-64, with 2:21 to go and seemed in control.

But McNeese capitalized on some Northwestern mental mistakes down the stretch, the biggest of which turned out to be the Lady Demons committing fouls in the final two minutes of the game and giving the Cowgirls the opportunity to score points with the clock stopped. McNeese ripped off a 7-0 run over the next minute, aided by four Blackwell free throws and a three from Parker, to pull within a single point, 72-71.

Shaw hit four straight free throws for Northwestern as the teams began trading trips to the line in the final 50 seconds. Daniels hit two free throws and Blackwell one for the Cowgirls to pull within two at 76-74, but Parker's drive at the buzzer was no good.

Daniels finished with 24 points and 11 rebounds to lead McNeese, which dropped to 11-9, 6-7 SLC. Senior post Susan Baxter turned in a big performance inside for the Lady Demons, leading Northwestern with nine boards before fouling out with 16 seconds left.

Northwestern can clinch its first Southland Conference title this week with wins over Sam Houston Thursday and SFA Saturday in Prather Coliseum. The Lady Bearkats come into Thursday's game as the only SLC team to knock off the Lady Demons.

# SportsBriefs

## Lady Demon netters lose opening match

The Lady Demon tennis team, hampered by early season injuries, could not match the strength of a powerful Mississippi State team Friday as they dropped their season opener 7-2.

The Lady Demons received tremendous efforts from freshmen Sandra Emde, who recovered from a tough second set to defeat Marilia Andrade 6-4, 0-6, 6-3 and Julie Lessiter, who cruised past Natalie Odryzinski 6-1, 6-4.

In the No. 1 slot, a sore shoulder forced Natalie Opoku to default after she lost the first set to Carmela Burri 6-4.

The Lady Demons return to action Sunday as they face Baylor at the Jack Fisher Tennis Complex at 10 a.m.

## Demons' home game with LSU moved to Alexandria

Northwestern's home baseball game with LSU March 22 has been moved to Bringhurst Field in Alexandria.

The game was scheduled to be played at Brown-Stroud Field in Natchitoches but was moved because Bringhurst Field has more seating to accomodate the fans. Northwestern will still be considered the home team.

"Moving the game to Bringhurst offers a better setting for the fans to view the game and will increase gate receipts," Demon Head Coach Dave Van Horn said.

LSU is ranked No. 1 in the Baseball America pre-season poll.

## Track prepares for SLC meet

Solid performances at the Oklahoma Classic helped Northwestern tune up for the upcoming Southland Conference Track and Field Championships.

Clarence Matthews ran a 22.28 time to finish ninth in the 200 meters. Sidney Montague was fifth in the long jump at 24-3. Ron Lewis had a 50.16 time in the 400 meters for the Demons.

Emily Rudan, Carla Davidson, and Niema Malone were standouts for the Lady Demons.

The SLC Championships begin Friday in Fort Worth, with the Demons owning the last two titles.

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## Dulin, Ruhmann mow down Wildcat offense in cold doubleheader action

# No-hitter caps off Demons' sweep of Louisiana College

David Weaver
*Current Sauce*

The biggest question mark for first-year Demon baseball coach Dave Van Horn going into this season was pitching.

That particular question was answered in dominating fashion Monday afternoon, as the two-time defending Southland Conference champion Demons swept a doubleheader from Division II Louisiana College by scores of 13-1 and 6-0 at chilly Brown-Stroud Field.

Senior righthander Brian Dulin and junior lefty Mike Ruhmann combined to no-hit the Wildcats in the nightcap, facing the minimum while striking out 15 of 21 batters.

Dulin, a 6-3, 205-pound hurler from St. Louis, fanned eight of the first nine batters he faced, with the only blemish on his performance a two-out walk to Wildcat shortstop Chad Puckett in the fourth inning. Puckett was promptly nailed by Demon catcher Karl Goins on a steal attempt three pitches later to end the only offensive action for Louisiana College.

Ruhmann fanned five of the six hitters he faced to close out the no-hitter for Northwestern (3-0) on the heels of a four-hit, one-run combined outing from the Demons' Jon Black (1-0) and Cory Bond in the first game.

"It's not that we didn't think they could pitch," Van Horn said of his young and inexperienced hurlers. "They came in the first three ballgames and have only walked two or three guys total and given up very few hits. So far, all parts of our game have been going really well."

The Northwestern offense took care of Louisiana College pitchers most of the afternoon, with junior Nick Simokatis leading the Demon surge. Simokatis belted two long home runs on the afternoon and drove in th to lead the Demons.

Shortstop Brad Duncan we for 2 in the first game, a 13-1 No western pasting of the Wildc Duncan drove in two and stole bases before sitting out the sec game of the twinbill.

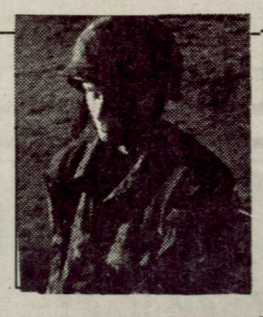
"We're probably a little bit ah of schedule with our offense," Horn said.

The Demons hit the ro Wednesday for a game against C tenary College in Shreveport bef returning home to face their fi major test of the season Saturd against Texas Christian Universit



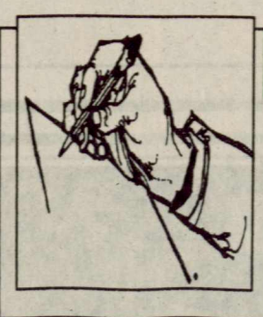
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Title chase still on as Lady Demons fall to SFA, 75-70



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# CurrentSauce



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# Three-day strike ends, new benefits offered

## Iberville employees strike demanding sick leave, more hours

JANE BALDWIN
*Current Sauce*

After a three-day strike last week, Iberville cafeteria employees returned to work Friday.

Twenty-one workers walked out Tuesday morning over grievances concerning sick leave and reduced hours.

According to Chuck Weaver, director of ARAMARK at Northwestern, the workers gave no indication of their intentions. "They just walked out," he said.

Weaver said this is the first time workers had walked out on their jobs. "They raised issues, but never just walked out," he said.

Weaver, along with other managers and employees from Vic's and Le Rendezvous, worked at Iberville until settlements were made. "Iberville stayed open," Weaver said. "It was a team effort.

"The students didn't miss any meals," he said. "That's very important."

Harold Boutte, director of housing, said the University was glad "it worked out.

"The students didn't know what was going on," Boutte said. "Our main focus is the students especially because food was involved. The students didn't suffer."

Some students feel the workers were justified on their strike. "They've been working them shorthanded," Ralph Davis, an Anthropology major, said. "The upper management are thieves at heart.

They make promises, but don't keep them," he said.

According to Weaver, Iberville employees were upset over lack of sick leave benefits. Weaver said workers had sick leave benefits two years ago, but they were revoked.

Reduced hours were another grievance of employees. Due to the lack of students living in the dorms, the cafeterias needed fewer workers. ARAMARK laid off up to 15 people this year. "They [workers] felt they were going to be cut," Weaver said.

Workers were also unsatisfied with their salaries and vacation pay. All 21 employees on strike met with Weaver and Mark B. Andalman, district manager of campus services for ARAMARK, at the Holiday Inn in Natchitoches Thursday.

ARAMARK reinstated the sick leave policy and according to Weaver the workers had already received a pay raise effective Jan. 1. "They're given raises annually," Weaver said.

## World Report

### CAMPUS

**SCHOLARS' COLLEGE TO HOLD FORUM:** The Scholars' College will conduct an open forum Wednesday in the second floor lobby of Boozman Dorm to discuss "what our world is going to."

**ORCHESTRA TO PERFORM WEDNESDAY:** The Natchitoches-Northwestern Symphony Orchestra will perform Wednesday in the Magale Recital Hall at 7:30 p.m. An original work by Richard Rose, associate professor of music, will be featured at the concert. **Page 3**

**GUEST ARTIST TO TEACH HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS AT NSU:** Over 30 high school juniors an seniors will come to Northwestern to learm more about art. Famous graphic artist, Laurence Gartel, will give demonstrations and instructions on a Macintosh computer. **Page 2**

### CITY

**FOLKLIFE CENTER BEGINS PLANS FOR NEXT YEAR'S FESTIVAL:** After last year's successful folk festival, the Louisiana Folklife Center will meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday at the Natchitoches Steering Committee meeting in the courthouse. The 1995 Festival will focus on old historic trails and roads of Louisiana.

### STATE

**LOUISIANA *SUPER TOP* PROGRAM TO PROVIDE LOWER COST STUDENT LOANS:** Begining this month, students who take a federal student loan can borrow the money through the state's *Super Top* program. Through the program, students can pay the loan back one percentage point below the variable government rate. The Louisiana Public Facilities Authority began the program.

### NATION

**OVER 200 STUDENTS ILL FROM UNKNOWN VIRUS:** Harvard students became sick after eating in the freshman cafeteria. All of the complained of stomach aches. **Page 2**

**CSU POSTS GRADING CURVES:** North Carolina State University students worried about getting that infamous professor who gives out nothing but Cs, Ds and Fs can rest a little easier next time they register. Students have access to the grading habits of some instructors. Grades for some classes now are posted on the Internet. These listingsshow the breakdown of grades for each class that has more than 50 members.

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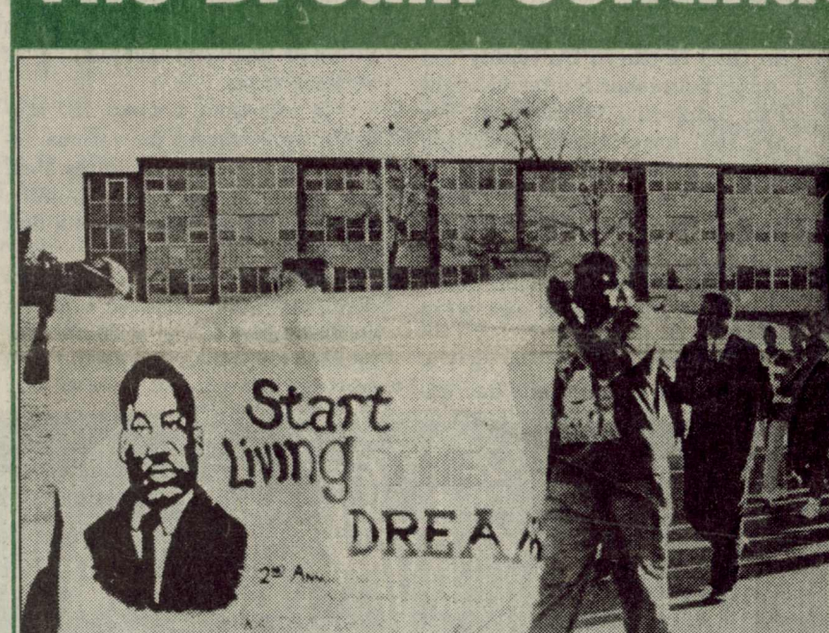

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# The Dream Continues




**Above: Students march yesterday in celebration of their heritage. Below: The Alvin Ailey dancers, one of the premier dance troupes in the nation will perform tonight in the Fine Arts Auditorium**

PHOTO BY RON HENDERSON



**AFRICAN-AMERICAN COMMEMORATIVE WEEK EVENTS**

**Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.:** The Alvin Ailey Harlem Dance Troupe' will perform in the A.A. Fredericks Auditorium.

**Tuesday, 8 p.m.:** Walter Kimbraugh, a motivational speaker, will speak in the Student Union Ballroom.

**Wednesday,10 a.m.:** Grambling University presents *Renditions of Black History* at North Natchitoches Elementary School.

# CELEBRATING HERITAGE

AMY WISDOM
*Current Sauce*

A week of music, dance, drama, exhibits and rallies is scheduled, as Northwestern celebrates African-American Commemorative Week.

This is the last week of Black History Month, and campus and civic associations have organized activities for each night.

Barbara Pleasant, a graduate student studying student personnel services, is coordinator of the week's programs. Pleasant said the goal of the events is to give everyone a sense of history, so that "we may learn from it."

I think we all stand on the shoulders of those generations prior to us," Pleasant said. "History and understanding is very important if we are to accomplish anything."

The week's activities opened Sunday with a reception in the Student Union Ballroom. Vendors from around the country displayed and sold African American paintings, literature, music, clothing and artifacts.

Monday afternoon, the Revs. Johnny and Jerome Cox led students in a march from Iberville to a rally in the Student Union. The march symbolized the struggles endured by black Americans of the past.

"Always continue the drive...stones will be thrown in your way as obstacles, but they must be made into stepping stones." **Jerome Cox, co-founder of Louisiana Outreach Coalition**

Lawrence Freeman, president of the Black Student Association, said attendance to the Black History Month activities has increased from last year.

"The response from students and the community has been positive" Freeman said. "I think the activities are motivational."

Johnny Cox, co-founder of Louisiana Youth Outreach Coalition, said he was impressed with the enthusiasm of the students who marched. He agreed that knowledge of history is the key to understanding the present.

Cox, who was SGA President at Northwestern 1987-88, said students need to focus on working together towards campus unity.

Jerome Cox, also co-founder of Louisiana Youth Outreach Coalition, was Northwestern Blue Key president in 1986. His advice to students was to "Never give up.

"Always continue the drive," Cox said. "Stones will be thrown in your way as obstacles, but they must be made into stepping stones. Don't let any obstacles stop you from what you set out to do."

Freeman said leaders such as the Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr. should be an inspiration to everyone, regardless of race.

"Rev. King expressed his feelings and beliefs non-violently," Freeman

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# College bowl team to compete in Texas

## Quiz bowl team is optomistic despite lack of experience

DAWN O'BRIEN
*Current Sauce*

Northwestern's college bowl team will compete at Texas A&M, this weekend. They will face off against 14 teams from colleges in Louisiana, Texas and Arkansas.

This is the second college bowl team that Northwestern has had since the program began three years ago.

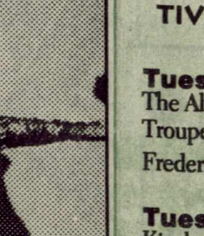
According to Dr. Frank Serio, coordinator of the Northwestern's college bowl team, college bowl is an intercollegiate competition based on being able to recall things from general knowledge to current events quickly. Teams compete in rounds, in which questions are asked and someone has to "buzz in" with the answer.

The players can confer with their teammates, but only one person can answer the question.

These questions are worth 10 points and bonus questions are worth 20 to 30 points. Five points are subtracted if the speaker is interrupted.

"It's kind of like a game show," Jason Richter, a member of the team, said. "It's fun."

The program started under Dr. Nick Lekatis, Spanish professor. He coached one team, and then passed the program on to Dr. Frank Serio, a math teacher, who is the current coach of the college bowl team.



**Serio**

The members of the team are Tommy Moseley (captain), a senior in Scholars' College, and sophomore Scholars' College students Kieran Cahalan, Jason Richter and James Macpherson

The four-man group was chosen from eight people, who competed in a tournament designed to recruit players for the team. Anyone who could get together a four player team could enter the tournament.

The winning team and four "all stars" from the losing teams made up a team from which the current four were chosen to compete in the regional contest at Texas A&M.

The team has been practicing for several months, every Wednesday for one hour. This practice consists of asking questions and reviewing current events. Serio is trying to work out a practice round between some of the faculty and the team.

The team is upbeat but cautious about the outcome of the competition. "We are realistic about the fact that we don't have as much experience as some of the teams there, but I'm optimistic about our chances," Serio said.

"This has been an interesting experience," Cahalan said. "It's a new way to spend an hour on Wednesdays."

"We are realistic about the fact that we don't have as much experience as some of the teams there, but I'm optomistic about our chances." **Dr. Frank Serio, coordinator of Northwestern's College Bowl Team**

## Choir to perform Wednesday

Northwestern's three choral groups will perform in concert Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in Magale Recital Hall.

The Concert Choir and Chamber Choir will be directed by Dr. Burt Allen, director of choral activities. The Chorale will be directed by assistant professor of music Michael Rorex.

The University Concert Choir will open the program with a motet by the German Romantic composer Anton Bruckner, *Christus Factus Est*. They will follow that with two works by American composer Samuel Barber, *Under the Willow Tree* and *Sure on This Shining Night*. They will conclude their portion of the program with the Shaw-Parker setting of the spiritual *I Want to Die Easy* which will feature senior George Gray as the Tenor soloist.

The Chamber Choir will perform next, beginning with three choruses from Mozart's *Solemn Vespers*, *Dixit Dominus*, *Laudate Dominum* and *Laudate Pueri*.

The second chorus will feature soprano soloist Valery Clark. They will then perform the *Trois Chansons* by Claude Debussy. These are the only three compositions by the famous french impressionist for unaccompanied choir.

The Chorale will conclude the program with works drawn from American culture including the folk songs *Shanandoah* and *Black is the Color of My True Love's Hair*, along with Kirby Shaw's arrangement of the ballad *All the Things You Are*. They will conclude the concert with Normana Dello Joio's *A Jubilant Song*. The Chorale will be accompanied by Terri Sanders on the piano.

## High school students to learn more about art

Talented high school juniors and seniors from across Louisiana will find out how art has evolved beyond the canvas and sculpture during a pair of workshops on computer graphics to be held March 2 and 3.

The workshop is sponsored by the Mrs. H. D. Dear Sr. and Alice E. Dear Department of Creative and Performing Arts. The workshop will feature guest artist Laurence Gartel. During the workshop, Gartel will provide demonstrations and instruction on the Macintosh computer.

There will also be a viewing of a major computer art exhibition by Gartel, and tours of the Creative and Performing Arts Department. Students will be given hands-on experience in computer-generated art and will produce several pieces of their own.

In addition to the workshops, Gartel's work entitled *Laurence M. Gartel: A Cybernetic Romance* will be on display from Feb. 20 to March 10 in the Orville Hanchey Gallery of the Fine Arts Building. A reception and lecture will be held on March 2.

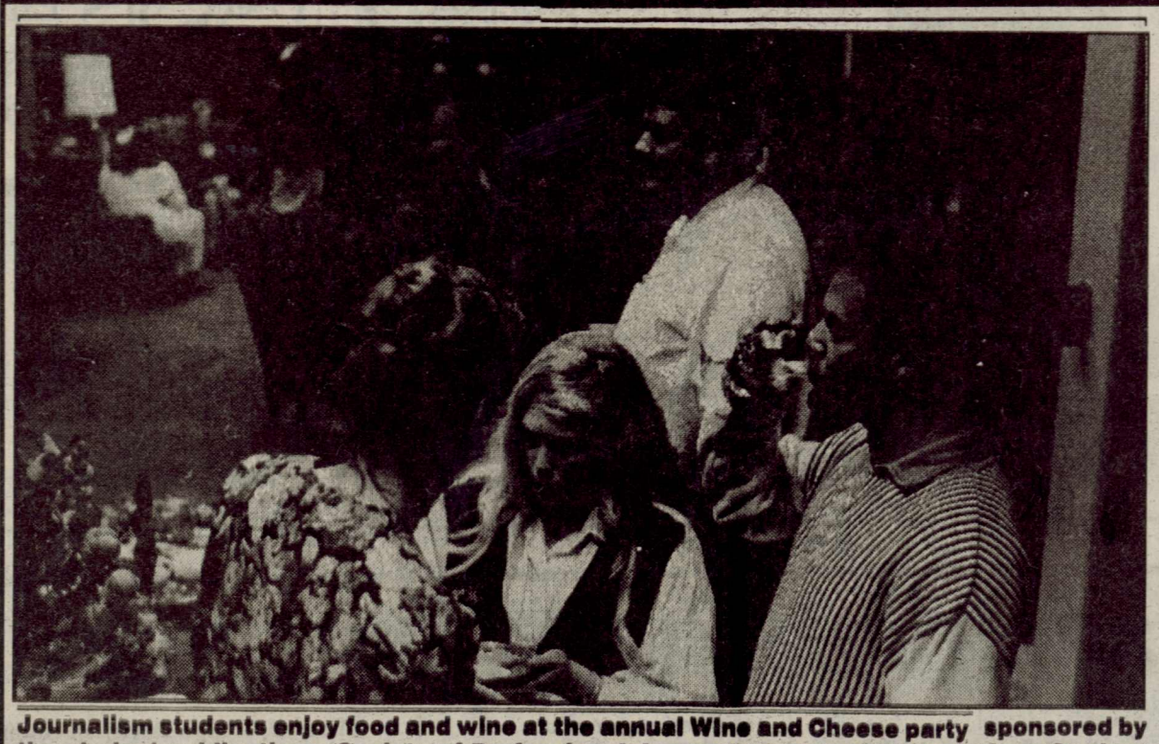
A pioneer in the use of computers to product fine art and featured speaker at the 1994 Annual MacWorld Conference, Gartel leads a new renaissance, merging art and technology into his energetic expressions. *A Cybernetic Romance* features hard copies of digitally engineered, dreamlike imagery.

"This art exhibit has travelled around the country," Michael Yankowski, associate professor of art, said. "Gartel has been doing this for about 25 years now. His show is a retrospect of some very crude things before computers were big and some very sophisticated things now."

Gartel is an internationally known computer artist. He is one of the pioneers in the use of computers to produce fine art. Having exhibited in the Museum of Modern Art in New York as well as museums and galleries around the United States and Europe, Gartel has a wide range of experience on numerous computers and graphic programs.

Gartel's commercial clients include *Forbes* magazine, IBM, Mobil Corporation, Amerivox, the Phoenix Suns, *Golf Illustrated* and Canon U.S.A. He was also commissioned to do *Absolut Gartel* for *Absolut Vodka* fine art campaign appearing in such publications as *Art-In-America*, *Artforum*, *Sotheby's Preview* and *New York Magazine*.

Gartel teaches at the Pratt Institute in New York and has presented numerous workshops for students of all ages as well as professional artists. Yankowski said Gartel is an exciting and motivating teacher and is sure to capture the attention of the participants.



**Journalism students enjoy food and wine at the annual Wine and Cheese party sponsored by the student publications, Society of Professional Journalists and Public Relations Student Society of America Wednesday.**

## 14 students injured in fraternity fire

A fire quickly spread through an Ohio Northern University fraternity house shortly after midnight Feb. 6, injuring 14 students. Five are still hospitalized, including three in critical condition.

The fire started on the second floor of the three-story Sigma Pi house at 12:10 a.m. and quickly spread throughout the floor, where some fraternity members were asleep in their rooms.

Fire officials arrived on the scene within minutes and had the fire under control in less than an hour.

Two students were hospitalized with first-, second- and third-degree burns and remain in intensive care at St. Vincent's Medical Center in Toledo.

Three other students who suffered from first- and second-degree burns are listed in good condition at Memorial Hospital in nearby Lima.

Four students who suffered smoke inhalation were released after treatment. Five others were treated for burns, abrasions, and contusions and then released.

Ada city fire officials said the cause of the fire is still unknown and that the fraternity house presently is "unlivable."

## Harvard officials I.D. virus

Harvard University officials think they've finally discovered what made more than 200 students violently ill last December.

After a examining results from a series of tests and student questionnaires, school officials say that the Norwalk virus was the probable cause of sickness for the 225 students who became ill after eating in a cafeteria in the freshmen union.

With help from the Centers for Disease Prevention and Control in Atlanta and the Food and Drug Administration in Washington, Harvard health personnel were able to rule out salmonella, botulism and other forms of bacteria-based causes for the illness.

In mid-December, some students who had eaten at the freshmen union began checking into Harvard's Stillman Infirmary complaining of stomach aches.

In less than a week, 225 students were treated for various degrees of gastrointestinal illness. Meal preparation at the freshmen union was temporarily halted after a link was made to the illness.

Since the outbreak, Harvard students say they've noticed cafeteria staff members taking more sanitary precautions while preparing and serving food.

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# Mardi Gras: students celebrate traditional Louisiana holiday

## Thousands flock to New Orleans for parades, parties

MIRANDA COON
*Current Sauce*

In 1837 the first organized masquerade parade of carriages took to the streets of New Orleans, followed by a delighted crowd of onlookers.

Today, the people lining the streets and joining in the parade, are dressed in elaborate costumes, often following the theme of that year's carnival.

Traditionally, Shrove Tuesday or Mardi Gras (French for Fat Tuesday) is a day of celebration which precedes the somber season of Lent, the 40 days preceding Holy Week and Easter, during which faithful fast and do pennence for their sins.

Because Shrove Tuesday (Mardi Gras) is a legal holiday in Louisiana, students, including those from Northwestern, receive a vacation from school.

Mark Minten, a drafting major from Maryland, echoed the sentiments of many students here when he said, "I'm going to New Orleans to party."

Although, quite a few students will be traveling to New Orleans, some decided to use their time for other things. "I'm going home to study," Richard Dupuy, a psychology major from Baton Rouge, said.

Some students plan to mix partying with practicality. Keri Champion, a freshman journalism major, plans to see more than the parades in New Orleans. "I'm going to spend time with my family in Metarie [near New Orleans]," Champion said. "Being in college I hardly ever get to see them."

In the United States, Mardi Gras festivals are usually observed in the sections of the South with a French or Spanish heritage. Shrove Tuesday is a legal holiday in Alabama, the Canal Zone, in some places in Florida as well as Louisiana. The date is also observed in Pennsylvania where some people, especially of German origin, eat fried crullers.

Southern cities acclaimed for their carnivals include Mobile, Ala.; Memphis, Tenn.; Galveston, Texas; Pensacola, Fla.; Shreveport and, of course, New Orleans. New Orleans has the most famous American Mardi Gras festival, with more than 50 street parades and 90 large scale masquerade balls held during the 10-day celebration.

Shrove Tuesday marks the last night of the Mardi Gras festivities. The elaborate Rex pageant and parade is held, where Rex, King of Carnival, is crowned for the year.

About half a million people, both natives and tourists, are going to line the streets of New Orleans to take part in the festivities.

This event attracts many tourists from foreign countries, and greatly boosts Louisiana's tourist industry.

The Big Easy hosts much merriment on the narrow streets of the celebrated French Quarter — 90 blocks of elegant French restaurants, old Creole mansions and lively night clubs — where the true Mardi Gras spirit is celebrated.

# ROTC offers challenge, self-esteem, motivation

LEONARDO CECCHINI
*Current Sauce*

With the possible development of four new classes and the reopening of two related campus organizations, the enrollment for the ROTC courses is already increasing and is expected to double that of last year.

The Reserve Officer's Training Corps is a program designed to find, train and commission the best qualified officers to be in the army. Approximately 70 percent of the officers in the army have prepared themselves through the ROTC program. Students taking ROTC courses at Northwestern will have a chance to develop their skills of confidence, self-esteem, motivation and leadership and decision-making, according to Lt. Col. James A. Forlenzo.

Forlenzo has designed several new classes for ROTC students and wants to place more emphasis on the ROTC organizations to develop a more successful program. The new classes, pending approval, include rapelling, drilling and ceremonies, basic map reading and orienteering, and advanced map reading and land navigation.

According to Forlenzo, ROTC was unable to offer rapelling this semester due to insurance difficulties. However, he hopes the class with be available to all interested students in the fall.

"Rapelling will be a great confidence builder and will be open to everyone who has the necessary conditions to participate," Forlenzo said. "While the drilling ceremonies, basic map reading and advanced map reading classes are being created as fun electives to get people interested in the ROTC organizations."

Northwestern has four ROTC organizations. However, two, the Rifle Team and the Black Knights Drill Team, were inactive last semester.

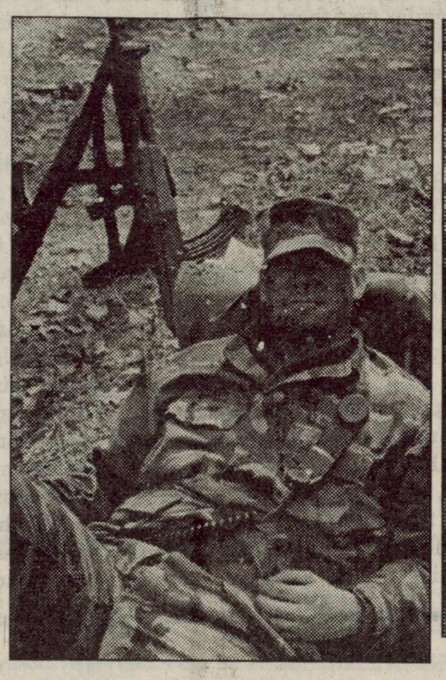
Also of interest to students is the increased cash incentive offered by the ROTC program.

Beginning in September 1995, every member of the ROTC will receive $150 a month instead of the $100 a month that they have been receiving for the past 20 years. "We have a higher budget now and want to reward the students who are in the program," Forlenzo said.

"Also, in our most surprising offer you get to try out the Army for six weeks with no obligation," Forlenzo said. "You will go to basic camp and will receive a uniform, room and board, $700 cash and a paid round trip. After camp, if you decide that you don't want to be part of the Army, you can leave and keep everything for free.

"But, if you decide to stay and continue the course, you will have to sign a contract to join the Army for at least eight years."

For more information or to join an organization, call Forlenzo at 357-5176 or 357-5157.







**Left: Rick Bailes takes a break during field training exercises.**
**Right: ROTC members Michael Honore, Jarron McGarry, Srgt. Pedro Perez, Matt Palmer and Mark Heard take notes while on a field training exercise Feb. 18 and 19 in Kisatchie National Forest. This special training exercise involved third level military science students.**
**Bottom: Fourth level military science students stand in formation before beginning regular training. The students train every Thursday.**

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## HOLIDAY HISTORY

BRIDGETTE M. MORVANT
*Current Sauce*

Although President George Washington's birthday was Feb. 22, American's now celebrate President's Day on the Monday nearest Washington's birthday. This year President's Day fell on Feb. 20. Many places of business and some schools closed for this national day of celebration, which commemorates the nation's executive leaders, especially the father of our nation, George Washington.

Washington was born in 1732 to Augustine Washington and his second wife, Mary Ball-Washington. After his father died in 1743, he went to live with his half brother Lawrence at Mount Vernon, on the Potomac in Virginia, the estate he inherited after Lawrence's death.

The coming French and Indian War provided new opportunities for the very ambitious young Washington. Although Washington suffered several defeats in this war, he earned respect for his bravery and was ultimately promoted to the rank of colonel and commander in chief of the Virginia militia.

In 1758, confident that the Virginia frontier would not be attacked, Washington left the army and returned to Mount Vernon. In January 1759, he married Martha Dandridge Custis.

After 1769, Washington became one of the political leaders opposed to Great Britain's colonial policies. Although, some of the British policies had hurt Washington personally, he at first hoped for a reconciliation with Britain. Later, Washington served as a delegate to the First and Second Continental Congress, and in June 1775, he the Congress unanimously chose Washington to lead the Continental armed forces.

Washington faced many difficulties in the American Revolution, including untrained men, lack of ammunition and supplies and military blunders made by himself and other generals. Overall, however, Washington was successful, winning battles, such as the Battle of Trenton, and holding his dispirited men together during the harsh winter at Valley Forge.

After the war was won, Washington returned to Mount Vernon and strived to avoid politics. However, in 1787, he led the Virginia constitutional delegation and was unanimously elected president after the new Constitution's ratification.

Washington took office on April 30, 1789 in New York City. He acted carefully to construct an executive office which would stand the test of time. Washington also tried unsuccessfully to end the growing sectionalism led mainly by the Secretary of State Thomas Jefferson and the Secretary of the Treasury Alexander Hamilton.

Washington was reelected in 1792 and faced problems over the issue of American neutrality during the war between England and France. Washington preferred to stay neutral and after careful considerations, he accepted the 1794 Jay's Treaty with Britain which settled many differences between the two nations. This as well as his strict upholding of excise laws during the Whiskey Rebellion in western Pennsylvania caused many to oppose Washington.

When Washington left office in 1797, the United State's financial system was well established, the Indian threat east of the Mississippi was eliminated and Jay's Treaty and Pickney's Treaty of 1795 with Spain, had enlarged the nation's territory. In his parting address, Washington warned against sectionalism.

Washington reluctantly assumed command of the Army in 1798, although he did not take an active role, preferring to retire quietly at Mount Vernon. Unfortunately, Washington was stricken with what was believed to be either quinsy or acute laryngitis. He declined rapidly and died at home on Dec. 14, 1799.

# Father, son share musical talents

"Some of my earliest recollections are of listening to my mother and father play Mozart, Beethoven and Brahams sonatas on Sunday evenings."

**Stephen Rose**

Certain things go together naturally like red beans and rice, Abbott and Costello and the Rose family and music.

Two generations of the Rose family will be in the spotlight at 7:30 p.m.Thursday when the Natchitoches-Northwestern Symphony Orchestra premieres an original work by Northwestern music faculty member Richard Rose, *Concerto for Violin and Orchestra*. The featured soloist will be Rose's son, Stephen.

This is the second original work by Richard Rose that the Natchitoches-Northwestern Symphony has recently premiered. His work, *Requiem* was performed by the orchestra last year.

Richard dedicated the work to his mother, who lives in Bowling Green, Ky. Richard's wife and Stephen's mother, Donna, is the principal flute player with the Rapides Symphony Orchestra. Richard Rose is principal cellist with the Rapides Symphony.

"Some of my earliest recollections are of listening to my mother and father play Mozart, Beethoven and Brahms sonatas on Sunday evenings," Rose said. "I like to have a reason for writing. Stephen and my mother were on my mind a lot as I was writing the Concerto."



**Richard Rose**

The Concerto has been in the works for the better part of three years. Rose first started composing it in the Spring of 1992 and was put on hold while he wrote *Requiem*. He said his work is different from many similar concerti.

"The orchestra is involved in the exposition and development of the material and has a dialogue with the soloist," he said. "It has turned out to be a challenge to the orchestra but they have done a good job with it."

Stephen Rose is currently the First Violinist with the Everest Quartet which is in residence with the Midland-Odessa Symphony. He is a graduate of the Cleveland Institute of Music and earned his Master's of Music and a Performer's Certificate at the Eastman School of Music in Rochester, N.Y.

He was a member of the Natchitoches-Northwestern Symphony, but this is the first time he has performed with the orchestra as a soloist.

"I'm glad everything has worked out so I could make it home for this performance," Stephen Rose said. "This will be very special for me because it is something my father composed. I've had a great time learning the piece, but I've only heard my part. I look forward to working with the orchestra."

Performing a debut work will be a new experience, so Stephen isn't sure if this will be more difficult than performing a well-known work.

"It's not like doing a Beethoven concertos with dozens of recordings. There's nothing to use as a guide," Stephen said. "You have to figure it out for yourself. Even with those recordings or performances as a guide, an artist has to create their own interpretation. It is a little easier when what you come up with is the first idea on how to perform a piece."

Stephen has played the violin since he was 4-years-old. His early teachers were Dr. Robert Price and Nancy Epperson of Natchitoches and Sally O'Reilly of the Louisiana State University School of Music.

"My parents encouraged me to be a musician but they never pushed me," Stephen said. "I had a lot of outside interests as a child such as sports and the other normal things children do. My parents encouraged me to do other things so I could find out for myself what I wanted. I settled on music a little later than a lot of musicians but I don't regret the way things worked out."

As a member of the Everest Quartet, Stephen performs with three classmates from the Eastman School, who won positions in the quartet.

"There are a lot of ways you can go when starting your career," Stephen said. "I didn't see auditioning for a big orchestra as the best way for me. It's a very competitive business."

Stephen spends about three to four hours a day practicing with the quartet. The rest of his day is spent in solo practice or with private practice.

"There's a lot for me to learn," he said. "It's been a new experience, but I've had a great time."

But not as much fun as his father had when he recently attended a performance by the Everest Quartet.

"After that performance, I felt like I've done my job as far as raising him," Richard said. "It's nice to know that everything has turned out so well."

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**Richard Rose**

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**Our**View

# Gainfully Employed

## The future is financially dull for some Northwestern employees and it's partially their fault

One of the priorities in everyone's mind at Northwestern, and at most colleges and universities, is jobs: the jobs they have now, or the ones they are studying to get.

Not surprisingly, there are also many people with campus jobs who are unhappy with what they are doing. Everyone has come in contact at some time or another with that frustrated secretary who inspired the phrase "if looks could kill" or those frustrated people in campus dining who herd students through their lines like cattle.

The walkout last week of several ARAMARK (the company contracted to provide dining services at Northwestern) employees at Iberville Dining Hall led us to ask whether Northwestern workers, in all facets of employment, are being treated fairly.

> "Too often, people complain about working conditions without putting forth the effort to correct them."

On the whole, Northwestern workers don't get much when they pick up their paychecks. What's funny is that they really don't expect that much: Louisiana has a perpetually depressed economy and we are all realistic enough to know only the top jobs are paying anything.

The real issue here is benefits. Those Iberville workers walked out because they didn't get paid sick leave. To most people, that may sound like a basic benefit for American employees. Facts are, many jobs in this area *don't* offer benefits. And the reason for this is that employees don't hold the companies they work for accountable for providing them.

That's what the majority of the workers at Iberville did last week. They stated a demand and they backed it up with action instead of just talking about it.

Too often, people complain about working conditions without putting forth the effort to correct them. Unfortunately, the kind of courage exemplified by those few employees of Iberville is not the norm for Northwestern.

Case in point: Last semester, many employees had quite a bit to say about the distribution of the wealth here at the University. Many were upset that a select few are making multiples of what they were. Since that time, things have died down a bit. The complaints have settled down to a dull roar yet little or nothing has been done to bridge the discrepancy.

And nothing will be done.

There is only one way to get things done: tell someone who can do something about it. Ask for a solid response and a time frame for the request to be fulfilled. Then, if they don't come through, take action.

The Iberville employees did get some of the demands they presented--not all, certainly. However, a precedent has been set. Those employees have now been empowered to change things where they work. It's too bad other Northwestern employees can't their way to doing a little less talk and a lot more action.

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# O.J. Simpson trial affects everyone: including you

## Case procedure contradicts constitutional rights



**Christopher**Young

Shade Trees

If the past few months have taught us anything, it's this: Soap operas are more important than the trial of O.J. Simpson. Well, maybe that's not everyone's opinion, but it is certainly the opinion of millions of America's couch potatoes. Without a doubt, O.J. is more popular now than ever, and the overabundance of news coverage has made many Americans -- including me--very weary.

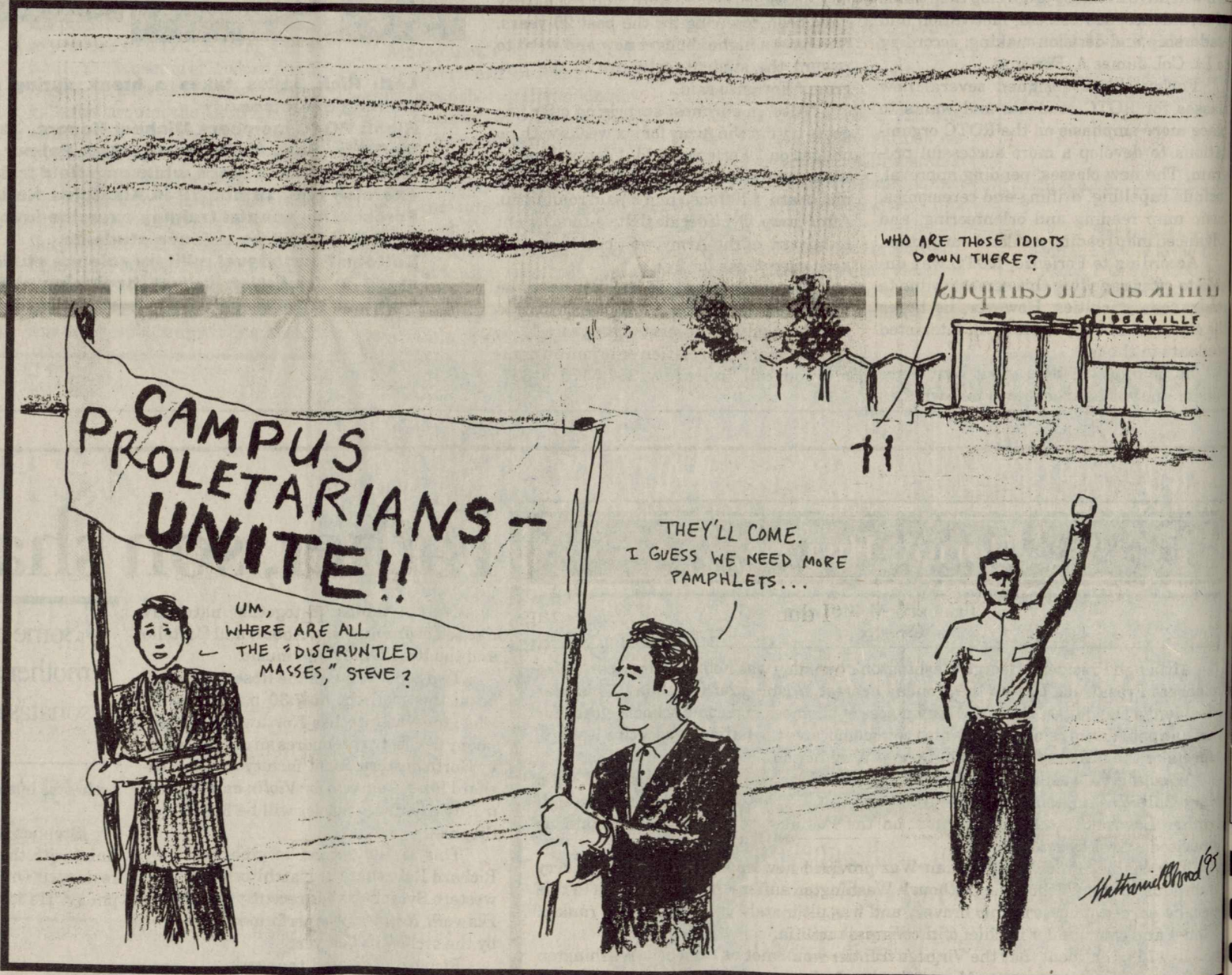
As I write this, I can only imagine how much companies like McDonald's and Ford are thoroughly enjoying all of the free advertising that this trial provides them. Everywhere I find myself, I can't help overhearing his name brought up into a conversion -- whether it be in a new "O.J. joke" or in intellectual conversation.

Now, I can predict that the readers of this column are now asking, "Then, why the hell are you bringing him up?" Well, whether you believe it or not, O.J.'s trial affects you too! Even I had difficulty accepting that a trial happening in Los Angeles, California could affect my life in any way. However, this can be proven simply by looking at one element of the trial. In a court of law, only evidence which has been assembled within the boundaries of legality may be presented. This is not the situation in the Simpson trial. The Los Angeles Police Department investigated this case with a complete disregard for the law, particularly the Fourth Amendment of the Constitution. Then again, individual rights have never been a major consideration of the LAPD.

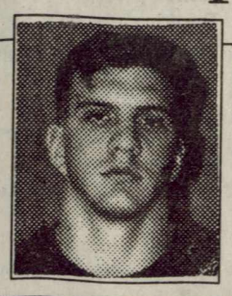
The Fourth Amendment reads as follows: "The right of the people to be secure in their person, houses, papers and effects, against unreasonable searches and seizures, shall not be violated, and no warrants shall issue, but upon probable cause, supported by oath or affirmation, and particularly describing the place to be searched and the persons or things to be seized." Even when reading through this legislative jargon, one can clearly determine where Simpson's rights have been violated. The innocence or guilt of O.J. Simpson should not be our major concern when it comes to this trial. Our worries should lie in the preservation of the constitution.

In any other trial, the evidence gathered at the home of O.J. Simpson would be inadmissible. Disregarding Simpson's right under the Fourth Amendment, the detectives entered within the compounds of Simpson's home and began to collect their evidence without first obtaining a warrant. Knowing that they had accumulated possible key evidence, the detectives then secured the premises for the Los Angeles district attorney and obtained a warrant (notice that the process used by these detectives is the exact opposite of standard procedure). Probably the most concerning matter is the rulings by Judge Ito, which have allowed this evidence to be presented into court. This was done so under the premise that the policemen entered Simpson's home believing that lives were somehow in danger. However, anyone who watched Simpson's attorney, Robert Shapiro, cross-examine both detectives at the preliminary trial would be convinced that the detectives were not concerned about possible endangered lives. These detectives were concerned with gathering potential evidence by any means - legal or illegal. I wonder how far this excuse will be taken in the future by law officials wishing to get illegally obtained evidence presented into court.

Under no conditions should law officials be permitted to bend the constitution in order to facilitate their investigations. It is in these exceptions that civil rights are often taken for granted. We must never forget that our country is comprised of individuals, and if we permit individual rights to be violated then we are in turn abandoning the very structure of our country. Keeping this in mind, one should be able to view news from the O.J. Simpson trial from a entirely different perspective.




# First Mardi Gras experience promises excitement



**Andrew**Martin

The Bottom Line

Less than a week to go and the anticipation is beginning to get to me. Mardi Gras. The world's biggest party and I'm about to submerse myself in it for the first time. I'm not a real big party person and I'm definitely not a crowd person so I'm not entirely sure that this is one of my better plans.

However, I feel that Mardi Gras is one of those things that absolutely must be experienced, and this is the year that I've decided to sacrifice some brain cells and part of my liver in the name of fulfilling that experience.

From some of the stories I've heard, I definitely feel that some mental preparation on my part is in order. I'm trying to learn to control that gut feeling of helplessness that envelops my mortal soul whenever I hear tales of getting lost on Bourbon Street in a drunken fog or ending up in that wrong area of the French Quarter where those who float rather light in their loafers like to hang out.

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My favorite drunken tale of woe is about one fraternity brother's friend that woke up in somebody's lawn in Metairie.

The last thing the guy remembered was being in the Quarter. Sounds like a hell of a party.

A certain amount of physical preparation goes into getting ready for a party of this magnitude. I enjoyed a weekend of preparatory drinking to warm up the system, though I don't think it is going to be enough.

I've heard having a high capacity bladder is a good thing to have when traveling around in New Orleans because urinating on the streets is one of the few things that will get you arrested during the chaotic celebration. I've also been told not to plan on wearing any of my good shoes.

To me, this sounds like a rather ominous piece of advice. Anytime you shouldn't wear decent shoes you know you are headed someplace rough. Apparently a mixture of several types of alcohol and urine isn't too terribly good for shoe leather.

I've already called home and told the folks to send more money because the last thing that I need to worry about is a lack of funds while I'm walking around trying to enjoy myself.

There's nothing like a shortage of money to hamstring a good time. The other major problem with the money issue seems to be how to keep it from getting stolen off of your person.

Mardi Gras is a pickpocket's Disney Land, as I understand it, and I'm not very partial to the idea of providing party money for some juvenile delinquent with fast hands. Hopefully, I won't be making any unexpected donations while I'm down there.

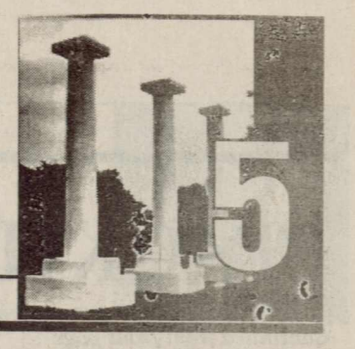
The stage is set and I feel that I'm already on a crash course with the inevitable. I don't really know what to expect other than some kind of huge, wild, drunken free-for-all that is probably going to take two or three years off of my life.

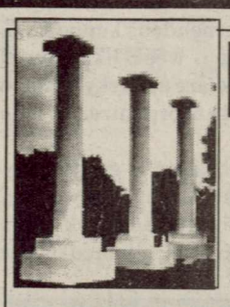
Hopefully, I'll have enough brain cells left upon my return to continue writing and I won't have such a good time that I decide to stay. Wish me luck.

# Campus Forum

Tuesday, February 21, 1995

**News and Views from the Northwestern Community**



## Campus Connection

Campus Connection submissions must be brought to Rm. 225 by noon on the Monday before Tuesday publication. All submissions should be less than 100 words and should pertain solely to meetings, announcements and upcoming activities. Birthday greetings, congratulations and/or product advertisements should be submitted as paid classified ads. Connections must be resubmitted each week they are to be run.

***Blue Key***

Applications for new members are being accepted until Feb. 24 in Rms. 214 and 309 Student Union. Requirements are: 60 semester hours earned; 2.6 cumulative GPA; membership in at least two campus organizations and officer position in at least one. Our next meeting is at 6 p.m. March 2. For further information, contact Clay at 352-8827.

***Delta Sigma Theta***

We will present *If Anybody Asks You Who I Am* at 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. Wednesday in the Union Ballroom. Rush packets are due no later than Feb. 27.

***Purple Jackets***

We will have an invitational tea March 15. Requirements include: female at sophomore level; 3.0 GPA; member of two organizations and officer in one.

***Phi Beta Sigma***

Anyone interested in membership must send a copy of their transcript to NSU Box 4039. Requirements include a 2.5 GPA. Call Andre at 352-8897 for more information.

***Sigma Dove***

Potential members should attend a meeting at 6:30 p.m. today in the Student Union lobby or call 352-8897.

***Phi Mu***

Softball practice is at 2:30 Monday-Thursday. Party pictures can be ordered until Thursday. Crush tee shirts can be picked up from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday and 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday. Rho Chi applications are due March 6. Turn in negatives to Jamie Ott for parent's Banquet slide show. Remember to sell your raffle tickets. Everyone is encouraged to attend the seminar at 8 p.m. in the ballroom tonight. Don't forget lunch in your letters from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday.

***Sigma Sigma Sigma***

Remember the SGA meeting at 8 p.m. Monday. Dress up and wear badges Tuesday. Wear your letters Wednesday. See jazz artist Tom Braxton at 7 p.m. in The Alley. We won't meet Sunday because of Mardi Gras. Save spare change for Robbie Page memorial.

Don't forget about your times for the Boys' and Girls' Club; check your calendar for February. And, don't forget about study hall.

# Congress should stand behind chemical safety board


PAUL ORUM

*Coordinator of Working Group on Community Right-to-Know, and Britta Ipri, chair of the Public Interest Groups' National Student Forum*




## Forum Viewpoint

This section provides readers who are not regular columnists the opportunity to express their views in a column-type format. Each submission should be between 400-600 words and include the author's signature and phone number. We will take a photo of student authors to be published with materials received. Columns must be written professionally and include no personal controversy. They are due Friday before the Tuesday publication

On the tenth anniversary of Bhopal, thousands of people were evacuated and four were killed by a massive explosion that devastated Terra Industries in Sioux City, Iowa. In the U.S. today, nearly one chemical fire, spill or explosion occurs every hour.

To prevent such accidents, Congress established an independent National Chemical Safety Board in 1990. Five years later the board still does not exist. The White House is refusing to fund the board, which has enjoyed broad bi-partisan support.

Congress modeled the chemical board after the respected and effective National Transportation Safety Board, which has earned public confidence with expert investigations of fatal airplane crashes.

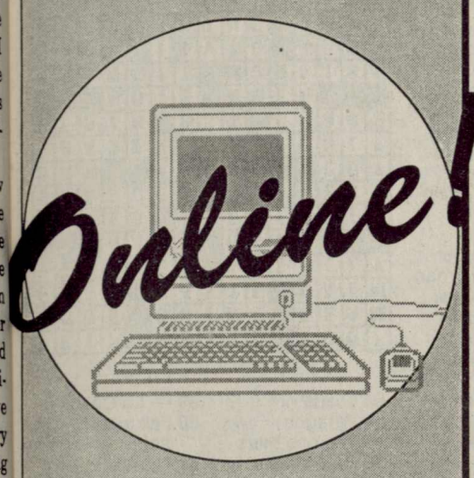
Last year, President Clinton nominated five highly-qualified board members and the Senate unanimously confirmed the first three. However, budget cutters and the Office of Management and Budget are now angling to eliminate the board. Would the Administration halt investigations of the air safety board to save a few million dollars?

Meanwhile, the accident toll continues. These accidents have significant costs—in human lives, health care, property damage, lost jobs and clean up—which often are borne by financially strapped local governments. Local response costs for preventable accidents alone dwarf the chemical safety board's $5 million annual budget.

Current trends are likely to make the situation worse, not better. A 1994 survey by *Industrial Safety and Hygiene News*, an industry trade publication, reported that 78 percent of its readers believe corporate downsizing will lead to more accidents.

Expert, independent oversight is needed to insure that both government and industry will take appropriate steps to prevent future catastrophes. The limited funding the chemical board requires will provide countless dividends in better worker and community safety—safety that can't be purchased by families with a middle class tax cut.

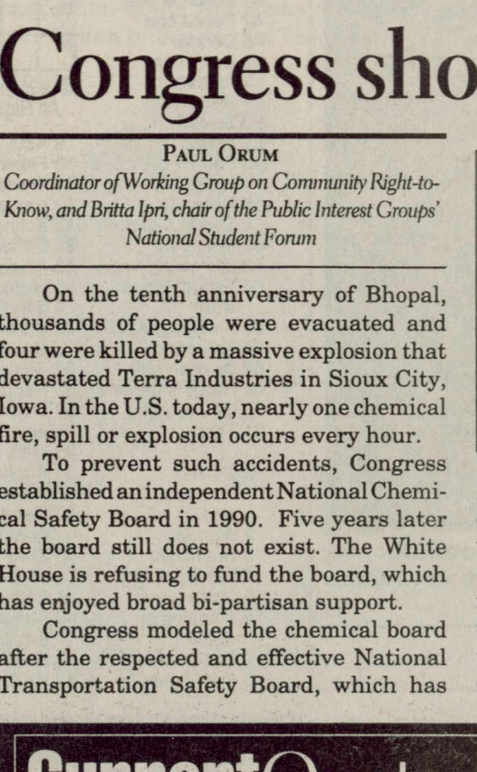
## Write a letter to the editor Online!



Call the *Current Sauce* via Northwestern's Internet hookup NSGUI3005 and tell us what you think about campus issues. The author's Internet address will be included with each letter unless requested otherwise. Regular guidelines for letters to the editor apply (see "Your View").

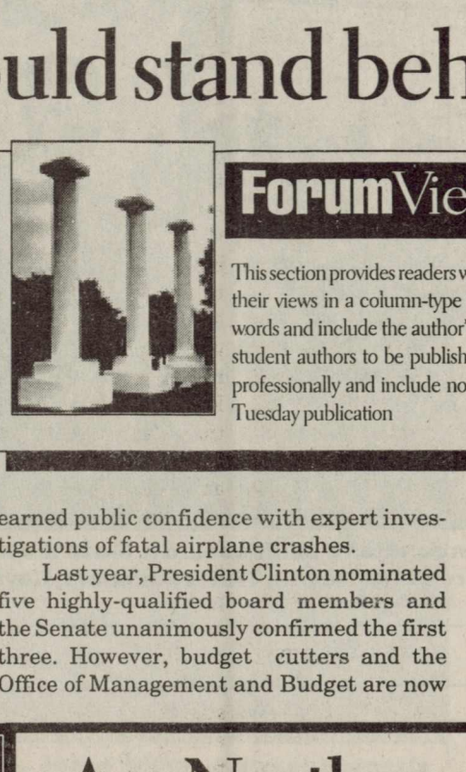
## Current Quotes

# Are Northwestern employees treated fairly?



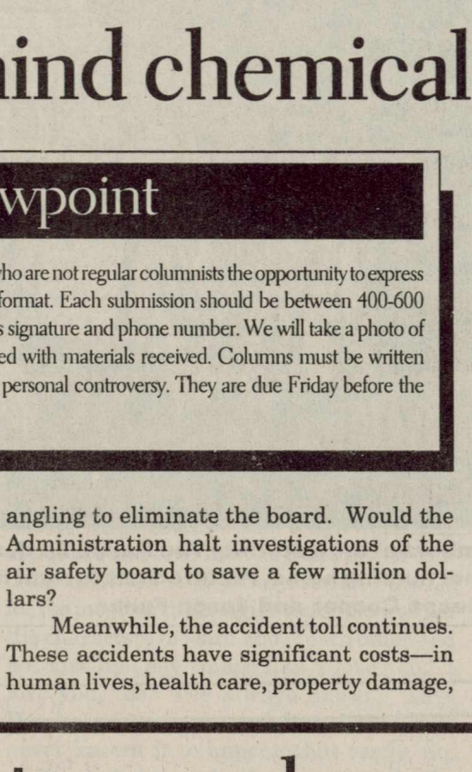
"I don't think so. The managers don't work with the employees. They need to learn to work together to get things done."

***—LaTasha Gardner***
***Sophomore, Office Administration***



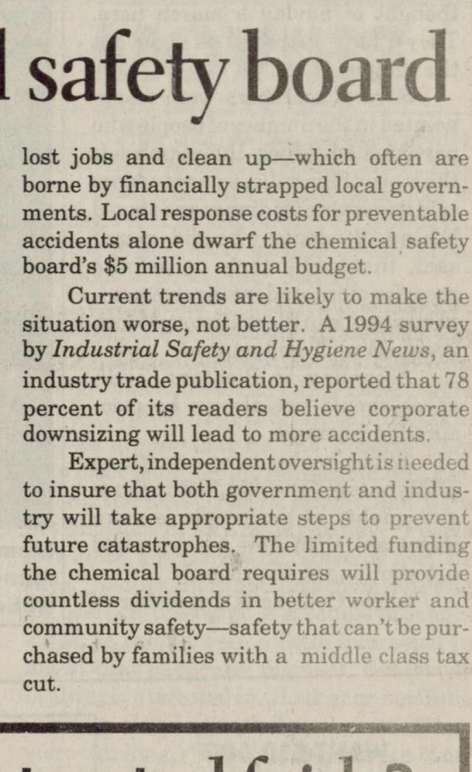
"I do. They work with your schedule. It's about the best place in Natchitoches to work."

***—Chris Salter***
***Junior, Nursing***



"In some aspects, no. Things need to be more equal as far as pay and benefits go for those who have been working here several years."

***—Isiah Sinclair***
***Freshman, Criminal Justice***



"It's a good place to work but the salaries aren't always equitable."

***—Linda Cox***
***Head of Technical Processes, Watson Library***

## Deficit should be addressed before other concerns


MARCUS NORWOOD


Dear Ms. Boudreaux,

I am just a run-of-the-mill college student working to pay my own way through school in hopes of a better life after graduation. Due to that fact that I share your concern on the lack of government funding for college tuitions. However, I must look past my own interests and consider the well-being of the nation as a whole. You, along with many other Americans, are not facing the hard facts. If anyone claims to be a well-informed citizen, they know that the U.S. government is burdened with a $4 trillion debt which balloons larger every year.

You must face the fact that in order to pay this debt off, across the board cuts have to be made. This means that everyone will suffer to cover for our past fiscal irresponsibility. I firmly believe that higher education, social security and many other government programs are important. Unfortunately, I also realize we live in a turbulent world. On this dynamic planet on which we live a strong U.S. military presence is needed to maintain the balance of power whereby preventing another costly world war. If there is to be a budgetary sacred cow, I am afraid it's the military.

If this country goes belly up it will be our fault for not pressing our leaders to do the right thing concerning the budget deficit. Both parties are swept back and forth by special interests and fail to make balanced decisions. This is evident in congress' unwillingness to buck the AARP (the desired word is "buck," not "back"). As a side note, I suggest that other letter writers refrain from personal attacks so the integrity of this forum will not be damaged.

## 'Vision' needs additional priorities


BRYAN SATAWA


As NSU moves toward the year 2000, I look around the campus and it is externally beautiful. Going inside a building on campus, however, is another story. There's nothing like playing dodge ball in a math class on the fourth floor of Kyser after a hard rain.

How about some basketball at the P.E. Majors' building? Hell, participating in Desert Storm was more fun than worrying about twisting an ankle or knee dodging water puddles on a basketball floor that has not been resurfaced since the building was built.

We then move to the housing shortage on campus. Sure, the building of the first phase of the University Columns was a step in the right direction, but what about the students who choose to live in the dorms. Every semester, Mr. Boutte and Mr. St. Andre have to scramble to find a place for people to live because of the large addition of new freshman students. Believe me, those two guys deserve what they get paid with all the headaches involved in that job.

While I am on the subject of dorms, how long is it going to take for East Caspari to get renovated? The funds are there, or so I'm told. So, what are we waiting for: more red tape?

Looking around the NSU campus, I was shocked to see that there has basically been no new construction in over 25 years. Most of the buildings we have today need major repairs and maintenance.

Speaking of buildings, how many departments and majors are located in Kyser Hall? I think it's safe to say that there are roughly 40, including the associate and graduate programs located in Kyser alone. It is clear that the whole communication department including journalism, English and foreign languages needs to be moved into a new academic building. This would probably take care of about 50 percent of Dr. Alost's 21st century vision.

The University also desperately needs a new IM building. Everywhere you go in the IM or PE Majors' building, there are leaks in the ceiling. This leads to puddles not only on the gym floor but also in the halls and classrooms as well. It will probably take someone getting seriously hurt before something is done. I hope I am wrong. However, I can see Dr. Alost cringing at the prospect of the lawsuit against the University because of this problem. Luckily, this has not happened yet, but the problem still remains.

Some of the things that can be done as far as correcting these problems are clear: If we need a new IM building and the state will not pay for it, why not put an amendment up for vote in the next SGA election? Ask the students if they would be willing to pay an extra $10 or $15 per semester in SGA fees for this purpose. I'm sure that would be hard to swallow for some students, but something has to be done. The "boys and girls" of summer (the Louisiana Legislature) sure as hell won't help us right now it seems.

As far as student housing and a need for a new academic building are concerned, talk to your local state representatives. Voice to our own local senators Don Kelly and Mr. Long our concerns about the leaky buildings at NSU.

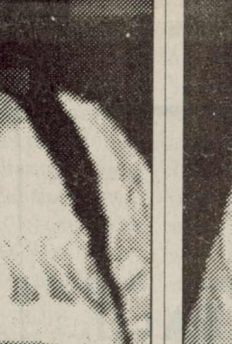
If our own senators will not help us, then by all means, let's vote them out of office. It's a crying shame with all the work that Dr. Alost has done to increase attendance at a school that was almost closed in 1986, that instructors are having more problems with the elements than with their students!!!

In closing, I would like to send a message to back up what was stated in the *Current Sauce's* view of Dr. Alost's 21st century plan. It is up to the students, faculty members and administration to carry our message down I-49 and I-10 into Baton Rouge.

Make OUR CAMPUS problems known to the "boys and girls" of summer. Lobby, talk and cuss at them until you are blue in the face if you have to in order to be heard. Then, and only then, will the ball start rolling for us to receive more state funding.

If this does not happen, the B.S. will keep going on and the leaks on campus will continue to go on unnoticed.

The cradle will fall on one of the best education values that a student can get—not only in Louisiana, but the nation as well.



## Your View

*Letters*

Should between 300-500 words and must include the signature of the author, the author's classification, major and phone number for fact verification. They are due the Friday before the Tuesday publication date.

## Dorsey column evokes anger, sadness, amusement


GENE WATTS


Upon reading Mr. Dorsey's column on Abraham Lincoln last week, a host of emotions ran through my mind. Anger, that he could attack one of history's greatest Americans; Sadness, that a black man would bite the long-deceased hand that fed him and amusement, that Mr. Dorsey believes that he has discovered new and shocking revelations about Mr. Lincoln's opinions.

Besides rambling and incoherent, Mr. Dorsey's column is quite flawed.

In the first place, Mr. Lincoln's paramount concern was in keeping the nation stable and whole. It is only natural that when faced with such a dilemma, he review all available options.

"My main objective is to save the Union and is not either to save or destroy slavery. If I could save it without freeing any slave, I would do it and if I could save it by freeing some and leaving others alone, I would also do that." While it is true that Mr. Lincoln did say that, Mr. Dorsey left out the last and most important sentence of the paragraph: "And if I could save it by freeing all of the slaves, I would do that." Which is precisely what he did in 1862, by issuing the Emancipation Proclamation. Motives may be clouded but it is only the results that count.

The fact that black people were freed from bondage, they were not sent to Liberia and if not for Mr. Lincoln, it is not beyond the realm of possibility that they might still be in chains today.

As for Mr. Lincoln's pigmentation, Mr Dorsey's theory sounds like one of Louis Farrakhan's more bizarre notions.

One wonders what Mr. Dorsey has in store for us in the future: a scorching expose' on the conspiracy to entrap Colin Ferguson? A devastating piece on "blue-eyed devils," and the difference between "sun people" and "ice people?"

I, for one, look forward to Mr. Dorsey's next diatribe. The *Current Sauce* has rarely been this exciting. However, I should warn you Mr Dorsey, if you continually endeavor tear down the walls of Western civilization, I will be there to repair them.

# BLACK HISTORY: Students celebrate rich heritage

*Continued from front page*

said. "He taught peace. That makes sense."

I feel one reason for Black History Month is to honor the great leaders we have had. They took us from very negative situation, to a level of equality. It is important that we all remember that."

Although Freeman said racial prejudices are still a problem, Johnny Cox reminded the crowd at the Student Union how much attitudes have changed in as little as ten years.

"In 1984-85, I couldn't have thought of having a march here. They'd have marched us right out the campus gates."

Several marchers were disappointed in the number of people who participated. When the march left the steps of Iberville, some students said it was time for dinner and stayed behind. Students who did march said, that while there is definite room for more student involvement, participation in Black History Month events is up from last year.

According to Pleasant, audiences should not always be measured in numbers.

"When you're doing something of this nature," she said,"enthusiasm and quality of the people is more important than how many people are standing in the room."

Alicia Cousins is a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha, who co-sponsored Monday's Second Annual *Start Living the Dream* march with Alpha Phi Alpha.

"People complain about a lack of programs, but when we offer programs, not many students take the time to get involved," Cousins said.

As Freeman told the crowd, the same people tend to participate in most extra-curricular activities.

Learning about black heroes is not restricted to African Americans. The week of celebration is open everyone.

"We have been taught white history and heritage all our lives, " Cousins said. "This is for black people - and all people - to get to know our culture and history. The community has been a tremendous support.

"Planning a week like this is hard work. We are so lucky to have all the people that organized it," she said.

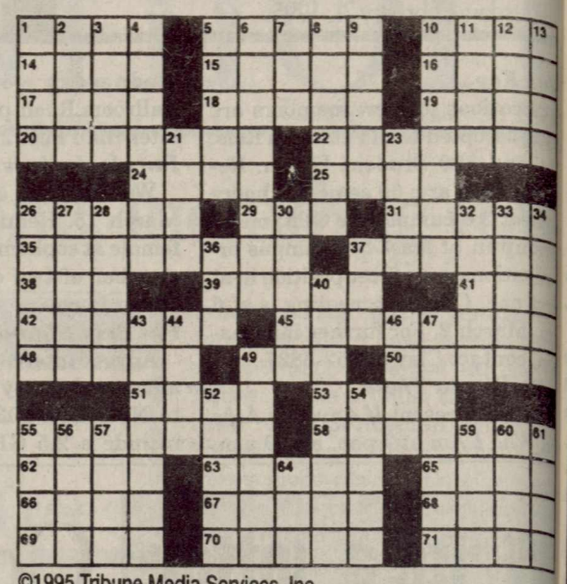
"The celebration is getting bigger and better. Last year we had about three events all week. This year, something is planned every night."

## Serving Others



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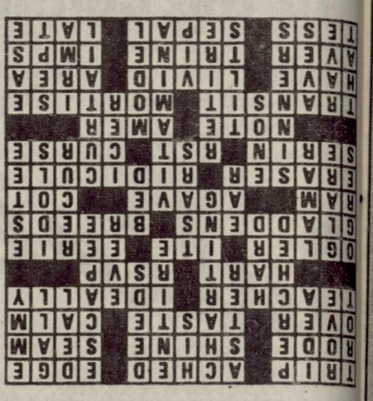


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22 In theory
24 Male deer
25 Invitation letters
26 He stares amorously
29 Resident of: suff.
31 Ghostly
35 Makes happy
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38 Ewe's mate
39 Century plant
41 Portable bed
42 Pencil end
45 Deride
48 Eur. finch
49 Alphabet sequence
50 Swear
51 Memo
53 Part of USA: abbr.
55 Passage
58 Tenon's partner
62 Possess
63 Extremely angry
65 Length times width
66 State vigorously
67 Threefold
68 Devilish kids
69 Hardy's heroine
70 Flower part
71 Tardy

DOWN
1 Turkey or fox end
2 Wander
3 Brainchild
4 Sat like a bird
5 Daisy kin
6 Planning in detail
7 Possessive
8 Complete
9 Acts
10 Fleeing prisoner
11 Transaction
12 Nerve
13 Acting award
21 Difficult
23 Always
26 Monsters
27 Blinding light
28 US Supreme Court justice
30 Despots
32 Happen again
33 Objects of worship
34 Miss Lauder
36 Auditory organ
37 Place to rest
40 Fish-liver oil compound
43 They need saving
44 Seth's son
46 Bakery employee
47 Shorten
49 Hit the sack
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## TekWar goes video

UNIVERSAL CITY, CA— The exciting futuristic action-adventure thriller TekWar from MCA/Universal Home Video, stars *Star Trek* icon William Shatner and Greg Evigan (*Lies Before Kisses, Stripped to Kill*) as private cops in the year 2044, debuting on video cassette February 28, 1995 and laserdisc on March 3, 1995.

"TekWar" was conceived by actor/director/writer William Shatner while he was directing *Star Trek V: The Final Frontier. TekWar* combines the best elements of his most popular television series, *Star Trek* and *T.J. Hooker.* The futuristic result, *TekWar*, has inspired several novels, a comic-book series, four television movies and a new cable series.

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*TekWar* introduces ex-police officer Jake Cardigan (Greg Evigan), accused of murdering his partners while under the influence of Tek, a drug-like virtual reality experience that often becomes a fatal addiction. Convicted of his alleged crime, Cardigan is placed in cryogenic freeze until the influential Bascom (William Shatner) arranges his freedom, so he can work for Bascom's Cosmos Detective Agency. Cardigan accepts the job so he can try and clear his name and rebuild his relationship with his wife and son, while chasing villainous TekLords.

Creator William Shatner, the Canadian-born leading man, starred in four television series—*For the People, Star Trek, Barbary Coast, and T.J. Hooker*—between 1960 and 1986. Additionally, he has starred in numerous television movies as well as theatrical films including *The Brothers Karamazov, The Intruder,* and *The Outrage.*

But it's as Captain Kirk, the heroic man of the future, for which William Shatner is best known world-wide. With *TekWar*, he continues making his mark in a time yet to be while using some of the same tactics that worked in times past.

In the year 2044, the most powerful drug known to man is called Tek, an electronic mind stimulant so powerful that fantasy and reality seem like one and the same. But if you deal in Tek, you'd better be willing to pay the price.

Sentenced to a state of frozen suspension, ex-cop Jake Cardigan (Evigan), wrongly convicted of dealing Tek and killing his partners, is about to return to the living. Determined to prove his innocence, he begins a relentless search to find his unknown enemy—and there's only one man who can help: Walter Bascom (Shatner), the man responsible for Jake's early parole and the head of the Cosmos Detective Agency; a man of questionable motives.

Catch TekWar at 10 p.m. Mondays on USA network, channel 19.

# Ethan Hawke goes from *Reality* to romance

IAN SPELLING
*College Press Service*

NEW YORK—Love on the train tracks. Who says it never happens?

Imagine you're Jesse (Ethan Hawke), an American 20-something riding the rails of Europe, and on your last day of vacation, you spot the very lovely and very French Celine (Julie Delpy). What do you do?

Well, if you're Jesse and you're the main protagonist in the film *Before Sunrise*, you asks Celine to join you for one memorable day of sightseeing, romantic repartee and some deep thinking, all among the glorious vistas of historic Vienna.

Perhaps the ultimate date movie for the 20-something crowd, *Before Sunrise* is the third film from Richard Linklater, the 31-year-old director of *Slacker* and *Dazed and Confused*. Since opening in late January, *Sunrise* has become a critics' darling and seems to be attracting young audiences in droves. The film may ultimately be remembered as one that made a star of its young male lead, Hawke, who tends to gravitate toward quality films such as *Alive*, *Waterland*, and *Reality Bites*, rather than the run-of-the-mill blockbuster variety.



**After a chance encouter on the Eurail, Jesse (Ethan Hawke) suggests that Celine (Julie Delpy) postpone her trip back to France and explore Vienna in "Before Sunrise."** PHOTO BY GABRIELA BRANDENSTEIN

"This was challenging and interesting, as opposed to boring and tedious," says Hawke, 24, during a conversation at a Manhattan hotel. "That doesn't mean that because something is commercial it's bad. You want to find the most interesting material, and you want to try to separate yourself from worrying about how commercial something is. I don't have any obligations to (choose likely hits).

"But I'd do a film like *The Fugitive*, which was a great example of a good, entertaining, commercial Hollywood movie. If every Hollywood movie were like that, we'd be much better off, or at least be making more entertaining films."

Hawke, who is single and lives in Manhattan, reports that he based his performance loosely on his director, Linklater, an intense, witty guy who can talk up a storm. "Rick is really patient," says Hawke, running his fingers through his brownish-blonde hair. "He really empowers everyone he works with and he knows what he wants. When somebody knows what they want, it's only a matter of time before they get it."

The goal behind *Sunrise*, explains the actor, was to create a believable romance, all the while asking some tough questions about life and love. Just as there are no concrete answers to life's mysteries, *Sunrise* leaves much to the imagination. "We wanted the characters to learn about each other and not kiss and say things like 'I love you.' 'I love you, too.' 'I've always known,'" says Hawke, grimacing as such inane lines. "I've never known it to happen that easily. So, we wanted to broach that issue in a truthful, intelligent manner. What I like about the movie and what I hope people will get from it is the interesting things it brings up. I hope it will encourage people to go out and talk to each other about subjects like relationships or whatever else they see in the film."

Born in Austin, Texas, and raised in Princeton, N.J., Hawke explains that acting was the only thing at which he excelled. At 13, after taking some acting classes and performing in a few high school plays, Hawke won a role in the fantasy film *Ex*

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*plorers*. After that, he headed back to high school. He then studied at the British Theater Association in England and also at Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh, leaving Mellon early to appear with Robin Williams in *Dead Poets' Society*.

Taking some of the fun out of Hawke's slow and steady ascension to stardom was his recent brush with the tabloids. Last year, he and Julia Roberts (Mrs. Lyle Lovett) were photographed together in Manhattan. Hawke argues that he and Roberts were only discussing joining forces for a film version of the novel, *Pagan Babies*, and were not engaged in any hanky-panky. "People love Julia, and they're intrigued by her," he says. "*Reality Bites* had just come out, and I'd been on the cover of a couple of magazines, so people were a little interested in me at that particular moment. Everybody is always interested in whether or not Julia is really sleeping with Lyle Lovett. (They were thinking,) 'What's going on with that? He's so ugly.' I got caught in the middle, and unfortunately I don't think the film will ever be made."

# From the Record Bin: King Crimson, Anne Hills and Cindy Mangsen

RICK ANDERSON
*College Press Service*

***King Crimson***
***VROOOM***
***Discipline (DR 9401 2)***
***Grade: A-***

It seems like it was just a few years ago that Robert Fripp, after 15 years and almost as many lineup changes, disbanded King Crimson and declared his intention never to try it again. Well, he's had 10 years and a stint with Sunday All Over the World during which to reconsider, and it looks like he's done so.

Not only does this new album find him reunited with drummer Bill Bruford, guitarist and singer Adrian Belew and bass/Stick player Tony Levin (the last and, in the opinion of many, the best King Crimson lineup), but the new Crimson also includes second drummer Pat Mastelotto and second Stick player Trey Gunn. The liner notes refer to this as a "double trio" format, but it ends up sounding pretty much like the old King Crimson quartet, only more so—with Mastelotto on board, Bruford is free to mess with the meter just like he always wanted to, and Gunn and Levin blend their low-frequency talents perfectly.

*VROOOM* doesn't exactly come across as *Three of a Perfect Pair* revisited, but no one hearing both albums back to back will be surprised that it's the same band. *Cage* is an urban jeremiad that sounds like a cross between *Lark's Tongue in Aspic Part III* and *Thela Hun Ginjeet; Thrak* is an unlistenable instrumental in the tradition of *Requiem*, while *One Time* is wistfully gorgeous the way *Heartbeat* and *Waiting Man* were.

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It's always been King Crimson's unique ability to be rhythmically interesting without ever getting funky—no one can make 7/4 feel so natural—and yet Belew's pop sensibility keeps things just accessible enough over Fripp's relentless, atonal eggheadisms. If you loved them then, you'll love them now.

** WARNING: This disc contains only six tracks and clocks in at 31 minutes. I have not lowered its grade because I assume it's being priced as an EP—if you find it at full price, be aware that you're getting very little music for your money. **

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***Anne Hills & Cindy Mangsen***
***Never Grow Old***
***Flying Fish (FF 70638)***
***Grade: A***

It's a rare album that lovers of Crass Commercial Folk Music (Kingston Trio, Peter Paul & Mary) and Hardcore Traditional Folk Music (Jean Ritchie, Highwoods String Band) can approach with equal warmth, but this Chicago-area duo has produced just such an album with this joyfully ecumenical collection of folk tunes old and new.

Opening with the title track, an old gospel number sung with sweet longing and accompanied by Peter Sutherland's understated piano, Hills and Mangsen begin weaving an irresistible spell of hope, love and humor; everyone from fiddler Laurie Lewis to singer Priscilla Herdman puts in an appearance on this album, and the overall feeling is one of old friends hanging out and making music just for fun, like you used to get from those old Folk Legacy *New Golden Ring* albums. Whether howling in harmony behind John Hartford's fiddle and vocal on *Wolves A-Howlin* or mourning a lost love with Gordon Bok on *Master Kilby,* these two just sound thrilled to have everyone along for the ride and are determined to make it as fun for the listener as it is for them.

Mind you, there are a couple of weird moments: the transition from the doleful *Master Kilby* to the jaunty and hilarious *Bill Morgan and His Gal* is kind of jarring, and I'll bet the 4/3 suspensions Hills and

Mangsen impose on *McKinley's Rag* make Riley Puckett roll in his grave. But these are minor quibbles, quickly forgotten when the Volo Bogtrotters are in full swing and when John Roberts and Tony Barrand take you through a Sacred Harp-inflected reprise of the title track. Overall, this is one of the most rewarding discs of the year.

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# Nativity in Black: great tribute for great band

Derek Rabuck
*Current Sauce*

Have you ever heard of Black Sabbath? Chances are that you have.

Black Sabbath is one of the most respected and admired bands ever to step into the spotlight. During the early to mid 1970s Black Sabbath was the king of guitar driven rock 'n' roll.

With gothic sounding rhythms and equally horrifying lyrics, Black Sabbath became the backbone to today's music scene. Have you ever wondered who invented the "power chord" that dominates the sound of today's music? If not for Black Sabbath, would there be bands like Candlebox, Metallica or Pearl Jam? The answer is not likely.

Hailing from England, Black Sabbath appealed to the musical audience of the '70s with songs that were threaded with pounding rhythms and lyrics that dealt with topics such as alcohol, mental depression and substance abuse.

According to former lead singer Ozzy Osbourne, Black Sabbath was four guys who discovered the dark, dusty key to generations and generations of misunderstood youths.

In the almost 25 years since Black Sabbath formed, people are starting to realize how much of an impact Black Sabbath has had on the music industry.

The heavy sound of Black Sabbath has established itself as being what has kept heavy metal music alive and encouraged the Seattle bands of our era to pick up instruments and learn how to play.

## REVIEW

Some of the biggest names in the heavy metal and the alternative music scene have banded together and recorded *Nativity in Black, A tribute to Black Sabbath*.

Covering some of biggest hits in Black Sabbath's career, these bands have recorded one of the best tribute albums that I have ever listened to.

Big name acts such as White Zombie, Ugly Kid Joe and Faith No More have ended up recording an album that can be appreciated by music lovers everywhere. This album would even make the original band members of Black Sabbath proud.

Other acts such as Type O Negative, Megadeth, Bruce Dickinson and Biohazard perform, as well as a couple of guest appearances by members of Ministry and the original band members of Black Sabbath.

There are a wide variety of Sabbath tunes covered on *Nativity in Black*. Popular anthems such as *Paranoid*, *Iron Man* and *War Pigs*, are mixed with other well-liked songs such as *Supernaut*, *Children of the Grave* and *The Wizard*.

Ugly Kid Joe's cover of *N.I.B.* has become a big hit on the airwaves and is being requested quite frequently on radio stations around the country. This shows that Black Sabbath is still influencing audiences around the world.

*Nativity in Black* has some excellent renditions. Ugly Kid Joe, Type O Negative and White Zombie serve up some of best performances of their careers.

One track on this record stands out above the rest. Megadeth's cover of *Paranoid* kicks some major butt. When you hear the opening chord, you know that Megadeth is out for blood. Hearing Megadeth's "very intense" rendition of Paranoid made me go dig through all of my vinyl and cassettes looking for my old Black Sabbath albums.

If you are in the mood for music that goes back to the basics of guitar, amps, and volume 10, then check out *Nativity in Black*, because it will give your ears a good dose of what real music sounds like.

I give this album a 5.

**Rating Scale:**

5-Break Out The Air Guitars And Jam
4-We'll Be Seeing It On *Time Life* Commercials
3-"Cool Bevis, Heh, Heh, Heh"
2-Better Than The New Kids On The Block
1-"Got any Wayne Newton?"

# Thrasher teaches fine art of fighting

Scott Thrasher requires his students to bring their knives to class.

Thrasher, an artist in residence at Northwestern, is teaching three courses in stage combat which means swords and daggers are just as important as pen and paper.

Thrasher came to Northwestern to help students prepare for this April's production of *Romeo and Juliet* which has several combat scenes. He came at the invitation of Dr. Jack Wann, Northwestern artistic director, who had taught Thrasher at Northern Kentucky University.

"*Romeo and Juliet* has numerous fights in the script, and a fight choreographer can be a big help in adding to the production," Thrasher said. "Actors need to know how to fall, take a punch or get stabbed without relying on the old blade under the arm trick."

Fourteen students with previous combat experience are taking Thrasher's advanced combat course. He is teaching two other introductory combat classes. Students in the advanced class will be able to apply for certification from the Society of American Fight Directors.

"Combat skill is another skill an actor can add to their bag of tricks," Thrasher said. "It's something that can make them more castable and usable."

Thrasher started his course by teaching students to use rapiers and daggers which is the hardest part of the class. He also emphasizes the importance of footwork and puts his students through numerous drills.

"We learn a lot about safety measures, such as eye contact and maintaining proper distance," Thrasher said. "We also learn how to pull out if something goes wrong so that no one gets hurt. Combat is something an actor has to practice and keep practicing.

"It helps to be a good actor, but you have work hard to get the proper sword technique and the choreography and to do it all safely."

Teaching on a college campus would have seemed alien to Thrasher just a few years ago. He started performing in high school with a group called My Nose Turns Red and did some writing.

"We would perform for church groups or at nursing homes, just clowning around," Thrasher said. "I never thought it would lead anywhere. I had no interest in theater or college. I wanted to hunt, fish and climb rocks."

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>
> **Scott Thrasher**

Thrasher got a job in a factory as a welder which he held for six months. "I was making good money," Thrasher said. "But at the time I had started to write. I felt my skills were starting to diminish, so one day I decided I wanted to go to college. I just got up from the booth where I was welding and told the foreman I was quitting."

Thrasher enrolled at Northern Kentucky as an English literature major. He changed his major after taking his first acting class. "I took that class and was hooked," he said. "I feel like this degree gives me a lot of freedom to explore different things."

Thrasher has performed at Paramount's King's Island Theme Park and the Cincinnati Zoo. He also attended Ringling Bros. Barnum and Bailey's Clown College.

"It was 12 weeks of nothing but goofing off, but it was still hard, kind of like boot camp," Thrasher said. "It was at least 12 hours a day of working on mime, clowning, improvisation, stilt walking, acrobatics, trapeze work and vaulting, pyrotechnics and even pie fighting. It was like being in a giant toy box."

After finishing the semester at Northwestern, he and his partner, Gerry Born, will go on a circuit of festivals and fairs with their act called The Uncatchables. After touring, they will perform on college campuses.

"The best way to describe our act is that we are new vaudeville jugglers," he said. "It's kind of like Abbott and Costello in a more contemporary style, relying on physical skills, audience participation and some magic. This is something I've wanted to do and I'm looking forward to getting out there."

# ComputerCorner

Marco Buscaglia
*College Press Service*

## *Surf the Net in search of love*

With 30 million people from more than 60 nations in cyberspace, online dating is becoming more popular. In fact, more and more computer users are finding ways to hook up electronically with their objects of desire.

"Online romances are really hot right now," David Fox, author of *Love Bytes: The Online Dating Handbook,* said. "People are meeting the same way online as they do in their regular lives. It starts out with conversation and it takes off from there."

Fox said that online encounters offer interested parties a chance to meet and converse with each other without any nervousness or worries about appearance. "The pressure is nowhere near as great as it would be in a place like a bar, where everyone is watching your every move," he said. "There's a freedom that's not usually found in most places."

Rob Modesto, a junior at the University of Kentucky, admitted that college has given him more opportunities to date than ever.

Despite the opportunities, Rob said that he didn't meet the last three girls he's dated at any bars in Lexington. Instead, he met them on America Online's Romance Connection. "Every night, I'm on my computer either doing work or checking out what's out there," he said. "Since this is a pretty big school, you can imagine there are a lot of other people who do that, too."

That's how Rob hooked up with three girls, one from his own university, one from the University of Louisville and the third from Jacksonville, Fla.

"You just start getting into these conversations with people when you realize, hey, why don't we just go get something to eat and talk about this in person?" Rob said. "That's what happened with this girl from school. It was pretty spontaneous."

But when your online friend lives more than 10 minutes away, the rules have to be changed. "This girl from Florida seemed really nice," Rob said. "We talked on the phone a lot, so finally I decided to make the trip down there over spring break to meet her in person."

Unfortunately, that trip didn't work out as well as Rob had hoped. "It was pretty obvious that she wasn't straight with me when she described herself," he said. "But even ignoring that, she was just a different person than she was online. I wouldn't even want to be friends with someone like that."

Not all online romances end badly. Steve Casey said that he dated quite frequently after he and his first wife divorced. He began communicating with other single parents on a Prodigy bulletin board and eventually met Lisa, a single parent from Augusta, Ga.

After the two switched over to Delphi, a different online service, Steve and Lisa ended up helping other single parents learn the new coding that was necessary to maneuver on the network. At that point, Steve realized he was interested in more than Lisa's teaching techniques. After finding out the feelings were mutual, the two decided to meet.

He was living in Indianapolis at the time, so the couple decided to pick a halfway point — Jellico, Tenn. — and met there soon after. They are now married and living with their children in the town where they first met.

Fox said that with real-time video, digital photographs and improved audio, Internet users will be able to find out all about their computer mates before they ever meet.

Of course, not all computer match-ups are played out in real life. Some Net users hook up with another person in a chat room, sneak off to their own private location and then have a digital sexual encounter, all via the keyboard. "Some of the things get pretty intense," Fox said. "It's rewriting sex in the '90s."

But for those who are still interested in the real thing, there are plenty of options. "There are so many opportunities online because you can practically find any type of person you desire," Fox said. "If you're interested in a one-night stand, you can find a bulletin board that will give you exactly what you want, whether it's a submissive partner or someone who is into sadomasochism."

Online subscribers and Internet surfers know that singles who post messages on bulletin boards often host an occasional F2F, or face-to-face, so that those people who communicate with each other every night can finally have a chance to meet in person.

Fox said to beware, though, because someone's computer persona may be different than his or her image in real life.

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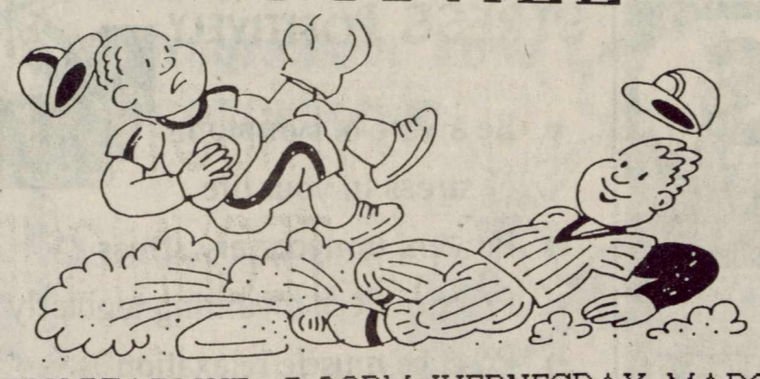
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# SportsBriefs

## Volleyball opens recruiting by signing Illinois standout

Christine Houdek, an all-conference outside hitter and the top offensive player for her Illinois high school last fall, is the first 1995 signee for Northwestern volleyball coach Denise Dewey.

The 5-11 Houdek was named to the All-Big Eight Conference team and won the "Most Valuable Offensive Player" award at Richmond-Burton Community High in Richmond, Ill., last season. She was team captain for coach Jan Welch at Richmond-Burton and also was team captain of the JAST club team in summer play.

"Her biggest impact should come in a couple of seasons," Dewey said. "But with her aggressiveness, she could emerge as a team leader sooner than I'm expecting."

## Golf team tees off spring season

Northwestern golf coach Craig Rex hopes his young team picks up where it left off last fall as the Demons opened the spring season Monday in the sixth annual Southeastern Louisiana Mardi Gras Invitational.

The two-day, 36-hole event will be held at the par-72, 6,725-yard Oak Course at Beau Chene Country Club. Northwestern and SLU are part of a 16-team field.

Northwestern capped its fall season with a fourth-place finish in the talent-laden Rice/Columbia Lakes Collegiate.

"Beau Chene and Columbia Lakes share some common features so we might be in position to put together a couple good rounds," Rex said.

## Demons, Lady Demons pleased with strong SLC Indoor showing

Even in a rebuilding year for the men's team, Northwestern's track and field program remained among the best in the Southland Conference with strong finishes in the men's and women's divisions of the SLC Indoor Championships, which concluded Saturday night in Fort Worth, Texas.

Northwestern, after two straight SLC Indoor titles in 1993 and 1994, finished third in the men's standings. The Lady Demons were a solid fourth in the 10-team women's field. Northwestern was the top Louisiana finisher in both divisions.

In the men's competition, UT-Arlington held off Southwest Texas 116-111 to win its fourth SLC Indoor title. Northwestern was third at 71, ahead of Stephen F. Austin (64.5), UT-San Antonio (64) and Northeast Louisiana (52).

"We had good performances overall," Demon Coach Leon Johnson said. "Even with outstanding performances we'd probably still finish third. I think we should have scored more points but we did get a good effort."

In the women's race, UTA (142), UTSA (127.5), and Southwest Texas (114) outdistanced the field. Northwestern (37) was fourth, followed by McNeese (35.5), Sam Houston (26) and Northeast Louisiana (25).

"The women competed well," Johnson said. "We did what we had hoped to do in a realistic projection."

Men's high jumper Terrance Bean was the only Northwestern champion. The sophomore successfully defended his 1994 SLC Indoor title, clearing 6-11 3/4.

The men's mile relay team was second (3:19.39). Northwestern got a second-place finish from women's triple jumper Emily Rudan (40-7 1/2).

Third places came in the men's triple jump by Adrian Kirk (50-1 1/4), Mike Heimerman in the shot put (51-6 1/2), Clarence Matthews in the 200-meters (22.29), Niema Malone in the women's long jump (18-11) and Maryalyce Walsh in the women's 5000 (17:46.40).

Junior Sidney Montague and freshman Jeremy Huffman turned in noteworthy scoring performances for Northwestern. Montague had a college personal record 49-7 1/4 triple jump to finish fifth and was also fifth in the long jump (23-2 1/2).

Huffman, a Pineville product, finished a surprising seventh in the 800 (1:57.40).

Bean and Rudan still have outside chances to compete in the NCAA Indoors.

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# DOUBLEHEADER: Demons take two

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talked about hitting strikes, and I bet we didn't swing at more than 10 strikes," TCU coach Lance Brown said. "Give [Martin] credit. He did a good job of not throwing pitches we could hit. When the hitters are stupid enough to swing at bad pitches, you ought to do that."

In the second game, the Demons proved that they could also win a shaky outing from the pitching staff.

Donner carried Northwestern in the nightcap, going 3-for-3 with four RBI's, including a bases-loaded single with none out in the bottom of the seventh to hand the Demons a 5-4 come-from-behind win. The senior third baseman also launched a solo home run in the third inning off TCU starter Scott Atchison to break a 1-1 tie.

After the Horned Frogs had taken a 3-2 lead on Kerby Smith's two-run shot to left-center field in the fifth inning, the Demons answered with a two-out rally in the bottom half of the fifth which began with Joseph lining a double down the right field line. Simokatis then blasted a single into left field to score Joseph and tie the game at 3-3.

Donner then broke the tie on a 2-1 count from TCU reliever Kevin Andries with a double smacked over the head of TCU left fielder Ryan Dunn. The Horned Frogs answered in the sixth inning on a double steal which enabled Gavin Millay to score the tying run.

But Northwestern earned the sweep the hard way in the seventh, with shortstop Brad Duncan taking a pitch on the left arm and Joseph a scary shot to the head which just managed to glance off the batting helmet.

After a wild pitch from TCU losing pitcher Jay Boehmke (0-1), Simokatis was walked intentionally by Jaymie Bayne to set up Donner's winning single on a 3-2 pitch.

"They've got a good team [TCU]," Van Horn said. "It's important for us to win games against quality teams so we know we can do it."

Northwestern will travel to Baton Rouge Tuesday for a heavily-awaited matchup with Baseball America preseason No. 1 Louisiana State in the first game of a six-game road trip for the Demons.

"We're looking forward to it [LSU game]," Van Horn said. "It'll be good to go out on the road and it is their first home game of the year. Win or lose, we'll get something out of it."

# DEMONS: Loss jeopardizes home playoff game

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The Demons continued to control the contest in the second half, pushing the lead to as much as nine with ten minutes left. LeGrand scored eleven points in the first 14 minutes of the final half but Sam Houston continued to hang around at 65-58 with 6:16 remaining.

Charlie Johnson's short jumper at the 3:53 mark pushed Northwestern to a 67-61 lead, but the Demons failed to score a single point the rest of the way.

Dillard, who scored 11 points on the night, nailed two huge three pointers in the final three minutes, the last of which gave the Bearkats the lead in the final minute. Northwestern brought the ball down when, after a timeout, a tired weary LeGrand dragged his pivot foot and was called for the travel, turning the ball back to the Bearkats with only 20 seconds left.

A final Northwestern mental mistake allowed Dillard, an 82 percent free throw shooter, to shoot charity shots instead of Barnett's intended target, 50 percent shooter Bogan.

"We had told them to foul Bogan, but we end up shooting a 90 percent free throw shooter," Barnett said. "I guess that's my inability to communicate and their inability to listen under a stressful situation."

Dillard calmly sank both free throws to push the lead to three, 73-70. The Demons had a final shot at a tie, but McMillon's desperation 35-footer clanged off the back of the rim at the buzzer.

With the loss, the Demons now face a colossal task of earning a top-half berth and a home playoff game in the SLC Classic's first round.

"I thought with our win Saturday night (75-74 over Stephen F. Austin) that we could at least finish .500 on the season." Barnett said. "Now, this puts that in jeopardy. We've got to regroup and play three very tough road games."

## Demon Boxscores

**Demons 75, Stephen F. Austin 74**
*Saturday, Prather Coliseum*

STEPHEN F. AUSTIN (10-11, 6-7)

| | FG-A | 3Pt-A | FT-A | RBS | AST | PTS |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Kevin Barker | 1-4 | 1-2 | 6-6 | 5 | 1 | 9 |
| Craig Stallings | 2-7 | 2-4 | 0-1 | 1 | 0 | 6 |
| Javan Rouzan | 1-2 | 0-0 | 2-2 | 5 | 0 | 4 |
| R. Bridgeforth | 1-4 | 0-0 | 2-2 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| Eric Leftwich | 8-12 | 1-4 | 3-4 | 6 | 4 | 20 |
| Rontrek Floyd | 3-12 | 2-11 | 3-4 | 6 | 1 | 11 |
| Kerol McGusty | 4-7 | 0-2 | 0-0 | 0 | 1 | 8 |
| Bobby Robinson | 1-2 | 1-2 | 0-0 | 1 | 0 | 3 |
| Vasco Tonch | 1-4 | 1-1 | 3-4 | 8 | 1 | 6 |
| Paul Jackson | 1-1 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Totals | 23-55 | 8-26 | 19-23 | 42 | 12 | 73 |

NORTHWESTERN (12-10, 7-7)

| | FG-A | 3Pt-A | FT-A | RBS | AST | PTS |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Tarius Brown | 11-24 | 2-3 | 0-0 | 8 | 2 | 24 |
| J.R. Whittaker | 4-15 | 0-3 | 6-7 | 6 | 1 | 14 |
| Seth LeGrand | 3-7 | 0-0 | 1-2 | 10 | 1 | 7 |
| Ryan Bundy | 0-1 | 0-0 | 0-4 | 1 | 7 | 0 |
| Kenny McMillon | 2-4 | 1-3 | 1-4 | 1 | 4 | 6 |
| Keith Tisdell | 2-3 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 2 | 1 | 4 |
| Charlie Johnson | 2-6 | 0-3 | 0-0 | 1 | 1 | 4 |
| Marquis Stafford | 1-2 | 0-0 | 1-1 | 2 | 0 | 3 |
| Darron Garner | 4-5 | 0-0 | 1-2 | 2 | 0 | 9 |
| Chris Trailer | 0-3 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Charles Duncan | 1-2 | 1-2 | 0-3 | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| Totals | 30-73 | 4-14 | 10-23 | 44 | 18 | 74 |

**Turnovers**--Stephen F. Austin 24, Northwestern 16. **Blocked Shots**--Stephen F. Austin 1, Northwestern 1. **Steals**--Stephen F. Austin 8 (Barker 3), Northwestern 8 (McMillon 4). **Fouled out**--Stephen F. Austin 2 (Tonch, Barker). **Halftime**--Stephen F. Austin 38, Northwestern 35. **Attendance**--2,150.

**Sam Houston St. 70, Demons 67**
*Monday, Prather Coliseum*

SAM HOUSTON (6-17, 3-12)

| | FG-A | 3Pt-A | FT-A | RBS | AST | PTS |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Quinton McLeod | 5-7 | 0-2 | 4-6 | 7 | 3 | 14 |
| Derick Preston | 6-11 | 3-6 | 0-2 | 3 | 3 | 15 |
| Frank Mata | 2-5 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| Tarus Green | 3-5 | 1-2 | 0-0 | 2 | 3 | 7 |
| Donnell Booker | 4-7 | 2-4 | 0-0 | 7 | 0 | 10 |
| Mike Dillard | 3-7 | 3-5 | 2-2 | 2 | 4 | 11 |
| Tracy Hammond | 0-2 | 0-0 | 0-1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Keith Peoples | 0-1 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| Darrell Bogan | 4-7 | 0-0 | 1-2 | 6 | 3 | 9 |
| Gene Isabell | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Totals | 27-52 | 9-19 | 7-13 | 29 | 18 | 70 |

NORTHWESTERN (12-11, 7-8)

| | FG-A | 3Pt-A | FT-A | RBS | AST | PTS |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Tarius Brown | 6-17 | 1-3 | 2-2 | 11 | 4 | 15 |
| Kenny McMillon | 3-7 | 2-5 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 8 |
| Chris Trailer | 1-2 | 0-0 | 1-3 | 2 | 3 | 3 |
| Ryan Bundy | 1-2 | 1-2 | 0-0 | 1 | 5 | 3 |
| Keith Tisdell | 0-0 | 0-0 | 2-3 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| J.R. Whittaker | 5-10 | 1-3 | 2-2 | 9 | 1 | 13 |
| Seth LeGrand | 8-11 | 0-0 | 1-4 | 9 | 2 | 17 |
| Marquis Stafford | 1-1 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 2 |
| Darron Garner | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 |
| Charlie Johnson | 1-6 | 0-2 | 2-2 | 3 | 2 | 4 |
| Charles Duncan | 0-1 | 0-1 | 0-1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Totals | 26-57 | 5-16 | 10-17 | 37 | 17 | 67 |

**Turnovers**--Sam Houston 11, Northwestern 13. **Blocked Shots**--Sam Houston 4 (McLeod 2), Northwestern 2 (Trailer, LeGrand). **Steals**--Sam Houston 5 (Booker 2), Northwestern 3 (Tisdell, Johnson, Trailer). **Halftime**--Northwestern 37, Sam Houston 30. **Attendance**--1,050.

# Baseball Boxscores

**Demons 3, Texas Christian 1**
Game One
*Saturday, Brown-Stroud Field*

TEXAS CHRISTIAN (4-1)

| Batting | AB | H | R | RBI |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Casey Smith, LF | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Kerby Smith, 3B | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Jason McClure, CF | 4 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Alan Wyles, C | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Gavin Millay, RF | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Kyle Cooper, 1B | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Steve Moses, DH | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Erik Brown, SS | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Ryan Dunn, PH | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Sam Lunsford, PR | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Brad Wallace, 2B | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| TOTALS | 22 | 7 | 1 | 1 |

| Pitching | IP | H | ER | BB | SO |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Derek Lee (L 0-1) | 7 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 4 |

NORTHWESTERN (4-1)

| Batting | AB | H | R | RBI |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Terry Joseph, CF | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Nick Simokatis, LF | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Matt Donner, 3B | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Mark Burke, 1B | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Eric Gilmore, RF | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Duane Stelly, DH | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Chad Tannehill, 2B | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Shawn McHugh, C | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Brad Duncan, SS | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Will Pearce, PR | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| TOTALS | 18 | 3 | 3 | 1 |

| Pitching | IP | H | ER | BB | SO |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Zach Martin (W 2-0) | 7 | 7 | 0 | 4 | 8 |

| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | R | H | E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| TCU | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 7 | 2 |
| NSU | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | -- | 3 | 3 | 1 |

**Stolen bases**--TCU (C. Smith, Cooper), Northwestern (Joseph, Pearce). **Caught stealing**--Joseph. **Errors**--TCU 2 (Cooper, Brown), Northwestern 1(Martin). **Left on base**--TCU 7, Northwestern 1. **Time**--1:50. **Attendance**--338.

**Demons 5, Texas Christian 4**
Game Two
*Saturday, Brown-Stroud Field*

TEXAS CHRISTIAN (4-2)

| Batting | AB | H | R | RBI |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Kerby Smith, 3B | 4 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| Ryan Dunn, LF | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Casey Smith, PH | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Jason McClure, CF | 4 | 3 | 0 | 1 |
| Alan Wyles, DH | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Gavin Millay, RF | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Kyle Cooper, 1B | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Steve Moses, C | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Erik Brown, SS | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Brad Wallace, 2B | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| TOTALS | 28 | 8 | 4 | 3 |

| Pitching | IP | H | ER | BB | SO |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Scott Atchison | 4 2/3 | 6 | 4 | 0 | 1 |
| Kevin Andries | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| David Meyer | 2/3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Jay Boehmke (L 0-1) | 2/3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Jaymie Bayne | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |

NORTHWESTERN (5-1)

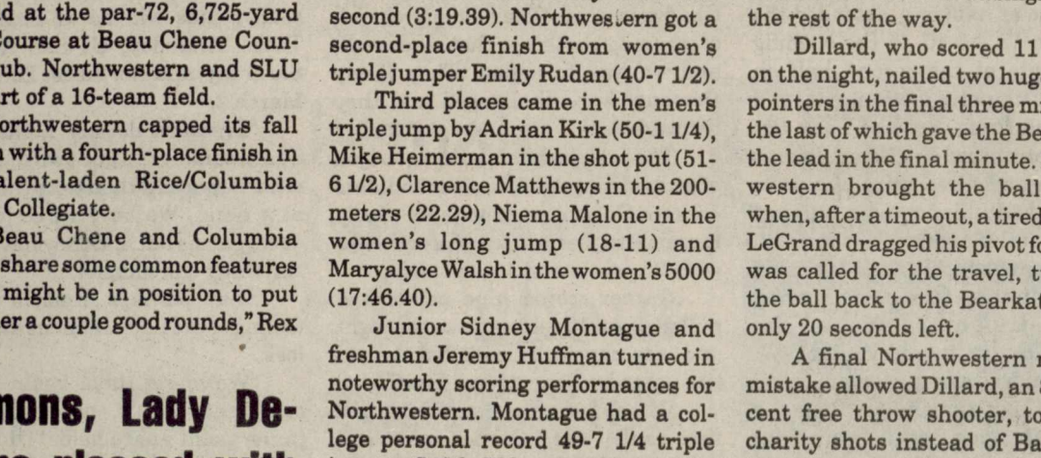
| Batting | AB | H | R | RBI |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Terry Joseph, CF | 3 | 2 | 2 | 0 |
| Nick Simokatis, LF | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Matt Donner, 3B | 3 | 3 | 1 | 4 |
| Mark Burke, 1B | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Duane Stelly, 2B | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Chad Tannehill, PH-2B | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Eric Gilmore, DH | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Robert Landstad, RF | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Shawn McHugh, PH | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Will Pearce, RF | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Karl Goins, C | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Brad Duncan, SS | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| TOTALS | 25 | 9 | 5 | 5 |

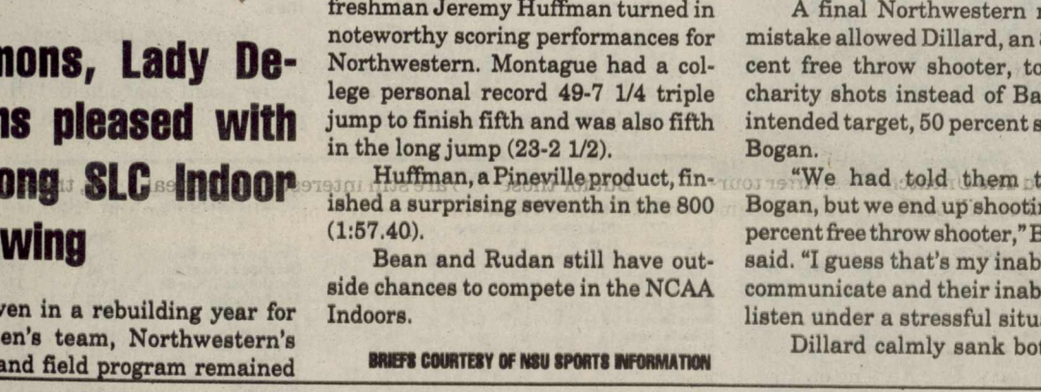
| Pitching | IP | H | ER | BB | SO |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Jon Black | 4 2/3 | 5 | 3 | 2 | 4 |
| Frank Knight | 1/3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Mike Ruhmann | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Brian Dulin (W 2-0) | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |

| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | R | H | E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| TCU | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 8 | 1 |
| NSU | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 5 | 9 | 0 |

**Stolen bases**--TCU (Millay, Brown), Northwestern (Joseph). **Caught stealing**--K. Smith, McClure. **Home runs**--K. Smith , Donner (1). **2B**--Dunn, McClure, Millay, Joseph, Donner. **Errors**--TCU 1 (Brown). **Left on base**--TCU 4, Northwestern 4.


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# Round Two: SFA

## Ladyjacks pull off must-win over Lady Demons to tighten SLC race

David Weaver
*Current Sauce*

Going into Saturday's clash with Stephen F. Austin, the Lady Demons held a firm spot in the driver's seat for the top seed in the Southland Conference tournament.

But a 75-70 loss to the Ladyjacks before 2,570 screaming fans in Prather Coliseum (capacity 3,900) has at least made the front seat a little bit crowded.

Northwestern (17-5, 13-2 SLC) lost the advantage it had in the SLC title race due to a performance which, according to Head Coach James Smith, was not exactly expected.

"We just didn't play well," Smith said after the loss, which inched the six-time defending SLC champion Ladyjacks to within one-half game of the Lady Demons. "We missed a number of layups. A lot of times we were getting hammered on those. We're a finesse-type ballclub and just a little bit of body contact can throw us off sometimes. It just wasn't a pretty sight from us."

SFA (16-6, 12-2) gained a measure of revenge for a loss to Northwestern Jan. 23 in Nacogdoches, a loss which snapped an 86-game home winning streak for the Ladyjacks.

The Ladyjacks used the strong inside play of 6-2 posts Latonia Bonnett and Christie Smith to simply overpower the smaller Lady Demons. Bonnett scored 23 points and grabbed eight rebounds, while Smith chipped in seven points and a game-high 15 boards.

But SFA Head Coach Royce Chadwick credited the play of point guards Kristen Armour and Yolanda Harris, who were not available in the first game due to injury.

"We didn't have a point guard the last time we played them," Chadwick said. "It makes a big difference in our basketball team when our people can play the positions they came to SFA to play."

Armour scored only four points but dished out eight assists, while Harris scored nine points in only 16 minutes of action and picked up three steals.

"From my standpoint, a lot of teams would have folded after being down 15 points," Smith said. "We came back and had a chance to win. We had a 46 percent free throw shooter [Smith] at the line at the end and she makes both of them. It was that kind of night for us."

Stephanie Shaw.

Shaw, who led all scorers with 24 points, hit four three-pointers down the stretch in a scoring run that suddenly had the Ladyjacks reeling. Northwestern outscored SFA 29-15 over the next nine minutes of the contest to pull within a single point, and Angie were hitting their shots. A few of them didn't fall, but that's the way it goes."

"She had a tough night tonight," Smith said of his star forward. "She just didn't play well. But I wouldn't trade Joskeen for anyone in the country. She's a great player, but it's

> "We've got them again in the conference finals, hopefully. I'd like to play them one more time."
>
> **Stephanie Shaw, Lady Demon point guard**

Both teams came out early and traded leads in the first half, with the final Lady Demon advantage coming at the 16:20 mark, 8-7. Northwestern's Angela Simpson kept Northwestern in the game in the half, scoring 12 of her 18 points in the opening 20 minutes of the contest.

The Ladyjacks, after leading by nine at halftime, extended the lead to 13, 43-30, in the opening moments of the second half on short jumpers by Bonnett and Katrina Price. But the Lady Demons answered on a Susan Baxter bucket and three-point play from Bridgete Williams, who pumped in 17 on the night.

Bonnett took over the next four minutes of the game, scoring nine straight points for the Ladyjacks to go up by 15, 52-37. SFA enjoyed a final 15-point bulge at the 10:24 mark, but then the Lady Demons began their final push on the strength of point guard 71-70, with 19 seconds remaining.

But SFA's LaTosha Lewis sank both ends of the one-and-one to put the lead at three, 73-70, and Simpson missed a game-tying three-pointer with seven seconds left. Harris ended the scoring with two free throws to seal the win for SFA.

"I thought Northwestern played a very gutsy basketball game," Chadwick said. "They did a great job of stopping the things that we do well, and we had to adjust. They [Lady Demons] were challenged and they responded. "

The Ladyjacks also did a good job of neutralizing All-America candidate Joskeen Garner, who carried the Lady Demons to the win in Nacogdoches with 25 points and 15 rebounds.

Garner scored nine points and pulled down 10 rebounds on the night and was physically pounded the entire game by Bonnett and Smith.

"It was more physical than it [the first game] was," Garner said. "But we took it to the outside and Stephanie

hard when you weigh 145 pounds and they weigh 200-whatever pounds and they pound you all the time."

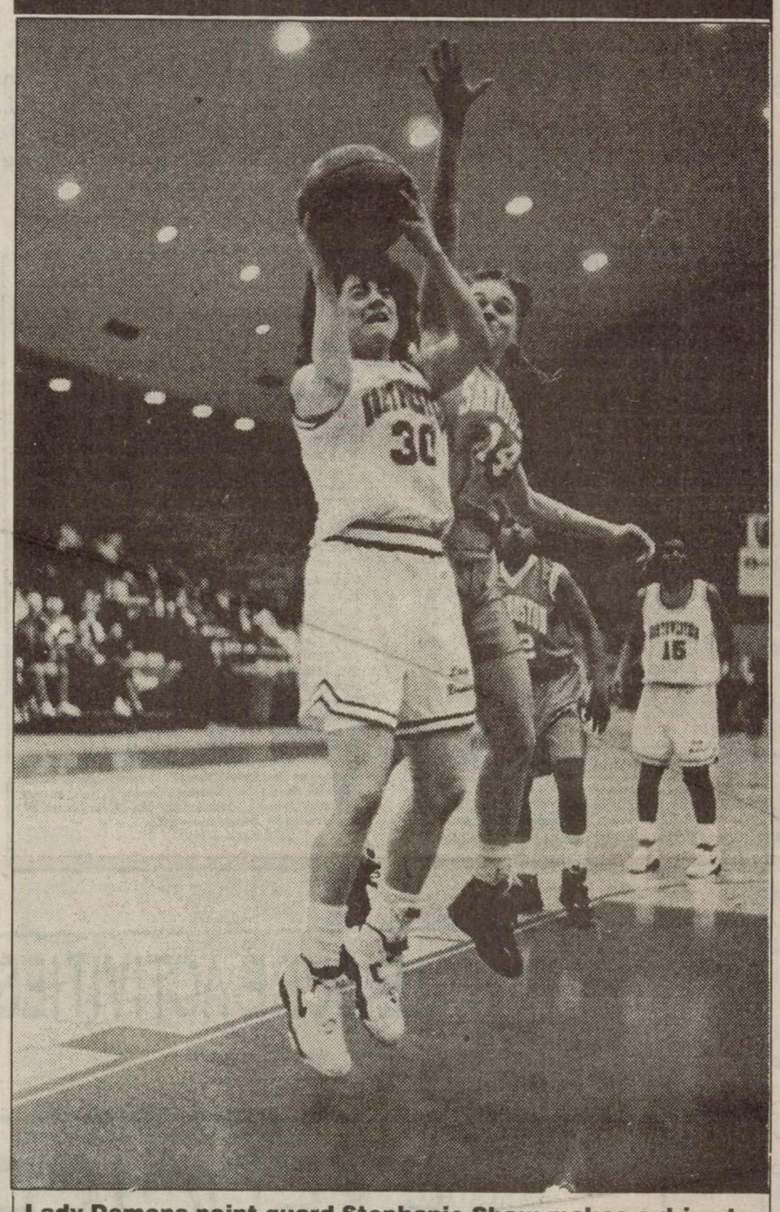
With the loss, the Lady Demons now face a challenging task of three of their final four games on the road, with the only remaining home contest a non-conference game with Prairie View A&M Feb. 28. The three road games will be at Southwest Texas Thursday, UT-San Antonio Saturday, and Northeast Louisiana March 2.

"Pressure doesn't bother us," Smith said. "We'll go down to Southwest Texas and then take them one at a time. We have three [conference] games left and they have four. Anything can happen."

Shaw perhaps summed up the feeling of the Lady Demons after the loss.

"We've got them again in the conference finals, hopefully," the junior point guard said. "I'd like to play them one more time."

### On a Wing and a Prayer



**Lady Demons point guard Stephanie Shaw makes a drive to the basket in Thursday's 77-66 win over Sam Houston. Shaw scored 25 points against the LadyKats and 24 in a loss to Stephen F. Austin Saturday, which dropped the Lady Demons to just a half-game ahead the Ladyjacks in the SLC standings.**

### Lady Demon Boxscores

**Lady Demons 77, Sam Houston St. 66**
*Thursday, Prather Coliseum*

SAM HOUSTON (10-11, 7-6)

| | FG-A | 3Pt-A | FT-A | RBS | AST | PTS |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Leslie Hale | 4-20 | 0-3 | 6-7 | 9 | 1 | 14 |
| Deidre Koonts | 2-3 | 1-2 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 5 |
| Kim Bauder | 3-7 | 0-0 | 2-2 | 6 | 0 | 8 |
| L. Richardson | 6-12 | 4-6 | 1-1 | 1 | 5 | 17 |
| Shayla Teague | 2-17 | 0-2 | 0-1 | 8 | 3 | 4 |
| Daris Cotton | 0-4 | 0-2 | 2-2 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| Chastidy Colbert | 3-7 | 0-0 | 2-2 | 6 | 1 | 11 |
| Tasha McIntyre | 2-4 | 0-0 | 1-2 | 4 | 0 | 5 |
| Totals | 22-74 | 5-15 | 17-21 | 39 | 10 | 66 |

NORTHWESTERN (17-4, 13-1)

| | FG-A | 3Pt-A | FT-A | RBS | AST | PTS |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Joskeen Garner | 6-14 | 0-0 | 2-4 | 16 | 6 | 14 |
| Bridgete Williams | 2-6 | 0-0 | 0-2 | 3 | 1 | 4 |
| Susan Baxter | 3-5 | 0-0 | 4-5 | 7 | 2 | 10 |
| Stephanie Shaw | 7-12 | 2-2 | 9-10 | 4 | 4 | 25 |
| Angela Simpson | 6-10 | 2-3 | 1-2 | 8 | 1 | 15 |
| Sh. Williams | 1-3 | 0-0 | 1-2 | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| Kim Kahl | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Nicole Lacy | 3-4 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 3 | 0 | 6 |
| Amanda Cooper | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Totals | 28-54 | 4-5 | 17-25 | 46 | 15 | 77 |

**Turnovers**--Sam Houston 18, Northwestern 24. **Blocked Shots**--Sam Houston 0, Northwestern 11 (Baxter 5). **Steals**-Sam Houston 15 (Richardson 7), Northwestern 7 (Garner, Shaw, Sh. Williams 2). **Technical fouls**--Simpson. **Halftime**--Northwestern 35, Sam Houston 31. **Attendance**--931.

**Stephen F. Austin 75, Lady Demons 70**
*Saturday, Prather Coliseum*

STEPHEN F. AUSTIN (16-6, 12-2)

| | FG-A | 3Pt-A | FT-A | RBS | AST | PTS |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| L. Bonnett | 11-19 | 0-1 | 1-2 | 9 | 1 | 23 |
| LaTosha Lewis | 3-6 | 0-0 | 2-2 | 8 | 2 | 8 |
| Christie Smith | 2-9 | 0-0 | 3-5 | 15 | 1 | 7 |
| Kristen Armour | 2-7 | 0-1 | 0-0 | 0 | 8 | 4 |
| Katrina Price | 3-7 | 1-1 | 0-0 | 1 | 1 | 7 |
| Sonja Swoopes | 1-3 | 0-1 | 1-1 | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| Yolanda Harris | 3-7 | 1-2 | 2-2 | 6 | 2 | 9 |
| T. Henson | 2-3 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 1 | 1 | 4 |
| Keri Howard | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Kim Cook | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Brandee Rabe | 3-5 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 2 | 1 | 6 |
| Jill Reeves | 1-3 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 4 | 0 | 2 |
| Totals | 31-69 | 2-6 | 9-13 | 52 | 17 | 75 |

NORTHWESTERN (17-5, 13-2)

| | FG-A | 3Pt-A | FT-A | RBS | AST | PTS |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Joskeen Garner | 3-6 | 0-0 | 3-5 | 10 | 8 | 9 |
| Bridgete Williams | 7-16 | 0-0 | 3-4 | 3 | 2 | 17 |
| Susan Baxter | 1-3 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 3 | 1 | 2 |
| Stephanie Shaw | 8-18 | 4-6 | 4-4 | 6 | 3 | 24 |
| Angela Simpson | 6-16 | 2-7 | 4-7 | 4 | 1 | 18 |
| Kim Kahl | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Nicole Lacy | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Amanda Cooper | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Totals | 25-59 | 6-13 | 14-20 | 30 | 16 | 70 |

**Turnovers**--Stephen F. Austin 25, Northwestern 15. **Blocked Shots**--Stephen F. Austin 2, Northwestern 5 (Baxter 2). **Steals**-Stephen F. Austin 14 (Harris, Armour, Bonnett 3), Northwestern 14(Shaw 5). **Halftime**--Stephen F. Austin 39, Northwestern 30. **Attendance**--2,570.

### SLC Standings (through 2/18)

| | Overall | SLC |
|---|---|---|
| Northwestern State | 17-5 | 13-2 |
| Stephen F. Austin | 16-6 | 12-2 |
| Southwest Texas St. | 14-9 | 9-6 |
| UT-Arlington | 8-13 | 7-6 |
| Sam Houston St. | 10-11 | 7-6 |
| McNeese St. | 12-9 | 7-7 |
| North Texas | 7-15 | 7-7 |
| Northeast Louisiana | 5-17 | 5-9 |
| UT-San Antonio | 7-15 | 2-12 |
| Nicholls St. | 1-21 | 1-13 |

--Top eight teams qualify for Southland Conference Classic, March 7-11, Hirsch Coliseum, Shreveport.

### Coming up for the Lady Demons:

*Southwest Texas Lady Bobcats*
*Thursday, 5:30 p.m.*
*Strahan Coliseum*
*San Marcos, Texas*
*UT-San Antonio Lady Roadrunners*
*Saturday, 5:30 p.m.*
*Convocation Center*
*San Antonio, Texas*

# Demons take two from TCU

David Weaver
*Current Sauce*

One of the nagging problems facing first-year Demon baseball coach Dave Van Horn going into this season was the lack of a proven staff ace.

Junior Zach Martin may have provided the solution to the problem.

The righthander from Roxton, Texas, threw a complete game seven-hitter against 28th-ranked Texas Christian University Saturday at Brown-Stroud Field, providing the opening punch to a Northwestern doubleheader sweep of the Horned Frogs.

The Demons (5-1) squeaked by TCU in the opener 3-1 on the strength of Martin, who ran his record to 2-0 on the young season. Martin used his curve to keep the TCU hitters off balance and basically battled the 28th-ranked team in the nation the entire game.

"He really kept them off balance," Van Horn said. "The key was getting ahead of the hitters. He kept his curve away and did a good job of spotting his fastball. He got ahead 1-2 and then he could throw what he wanted to."

Northwestern provided Martin with the only offense he would need in the first inning. Terry Joseph led off the inning with a solid single to center and promptly stole second. Following a walk to Nick Simokatis from TCU starter Derek Lee, Demon third baseman Matt Donner roped an RBI single into right field, scoring Joseph. Simokatis then scored on a wild pitch to make the score 2-0.

With Donner at third following Lee's second wild pitch of the inning, Mark Burke drew a walk to put runners at the corners for Northwestern with no one out. Eric Gilmore then grounded into a double play, scoring Donner and giving Northwestern its only offense in the game.

"Right before the game we

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## LeGrand's season-best wasted in final home game "haunting" loss to Bearkats

# Demons let one get away to last-place Sam Houston, 70-67

David Weaver
*Current Sauce*

Demon Head Coach J. D. Barnett has been waiting all season long for freshman post Seth LeGrand to become a contributing force for Northwestern.

The first-year Demon mentor got his wish Monday night—only to see the rest of the Northwestern squad fall off in a crushing 70-67 loss to Southland Conference cellar-dweller Sam Houston State in Prather Coliseum.

"I think this game is going to haunt us," Barnett said after watching his team lead the Bearkats for the majority of the game only to lose in the final 60 seconds. "It's going to put us in a very, very difficult position."

The Demons (12-11, 7-8 SLC), in a desperate battle for a first-round home game in the Southland Conference Classic next month, perhaps saw their hopes dashed by Bearkat forward Mike Dillard, who sank a three-pointer and two free throws in the final minute to push Sam Houston (6-17, 3-12 SLC) to the victory.

"Seth LeGrand did a wonderful job tonight," Barnett said. "He got tired in the latter stages of the game. [Legrand] did a wonderful job on the offensive glass. If he would score like he did tonight, and our other players play an average basketball game, we would win by 15 or 20 points."

LeGrand, a 6-8 freshman post from Nebraska City, Neb., turned in his second straight strong performance for the Demons, pumping in a game-high 17 points and adding nine rebounds in the kind of outing Barnett and his assistants have been longing for all season.

"We've had so many times where we could just put teams away, but we have not done that the entire season," Barnett said. "When we get up on a team, we tend to then let up on our offense and our defense isn't as intense."

Northwestern seemed in control of the first 36 minutes of the contest, holding an advantage that topped out at as many as 12 points in the first half. Sam Houston shot only 46.2 percent in the first half as the Demons were able to grab a lead, 9-7, at the 16:46 mark of the opening 20 minutes. Northwestern did not trail again until Dillard's three with 48 seconds remaining in the game gave Sam Houston a 68-67 lead.

"Dillard just kicked our tail again," Barnett said. "He did it down there at their place, and now with the addition of two other players they've got some guys on the post who can score."

Demon forward Tarius Brown, who was named the Louisiana Collegiate Player of the Week last week, scored nine of his 15 points in the first half but was a far cry from his dominating performances the last three conference games (30 points at Nicholls, 29 at McNeese, and 24 Saturday against Stephen F. Austin).

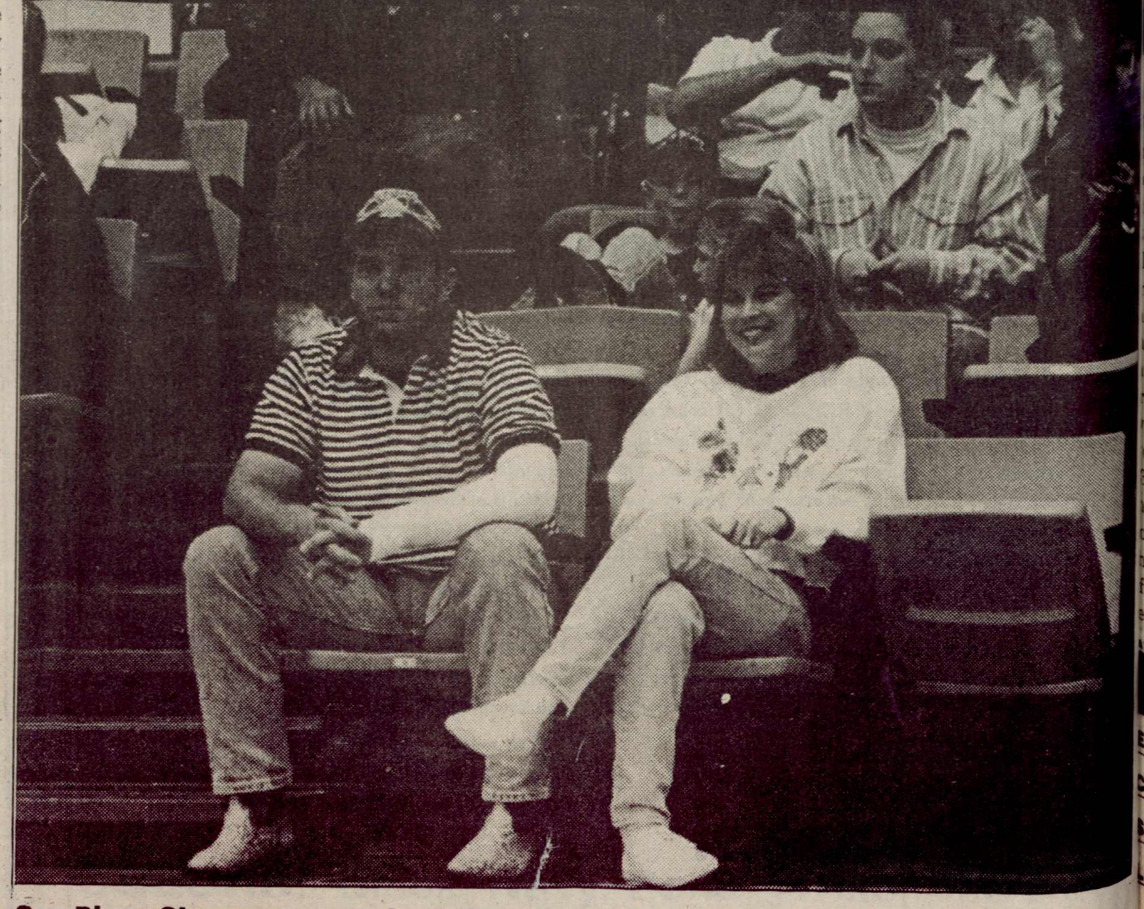
The Demons Sam Houston on the ropes with a 12-point advantage at the 9:46 mark of the first half, but allowed the Bearkats to fight back with eight straight points to pull within four, 30-26.

When Sam Houston's Darrell Bogan sank a bucket at the 3:08 mark, the Bearkats had pulled to within three, 33-30. But the Demons managed to regroup and held the Bearkats scoreless the rest of the half while getting a bucket from Kenny McMillon and two free throws from J. R. Whittaker to go in at the break with a 37-30 advantage.

"We had them in control," Barnett said of the first half. "But again, you've got to pull together and you've got to do it and you've to make all the little pieces fit together."

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# Stan the Man



**San Diego Chargers quarterback Stan Humphries enjoys a recent Lady Demons game in Prather Coliseum. Humphries, who resides in Natchitoches during the offseason, regularly attends Lady Demon games in the offseason when he's in town.**



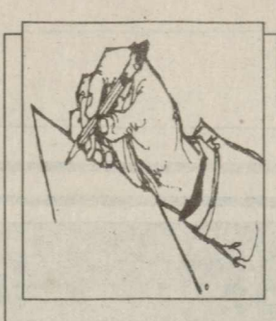
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University offers a wide variety of activities for students



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**ISU VARSITY COLLEGE BOWL TEAM PLACES THIRD N COMPETITION:** The campus Quiz Bowl team competed at Texas A&M Feb. 24-26. The team played in one of two, nine team rounds and came in third in their division. The top two finishers from each division entered the championship round and won the good sportsmanship award.

**RIAL DATE SET FOR RIV-RS:** According to Ronny Branon, assistant district attorney of Sabine Parish, the trial of Darren Ray Rivers of Zwolle is set for April 24. Rivers plead not guilty to the charges of second degree murder and attempted second degree murder of Northwestern archeology student Theresa Rivers and her husband Vernon (no relation). Theresa Rivers was fatally shot and her husband was wounded while they were searching for a diary in an abandoned house in Zwolle. Rivers claims he shot at them because he thought they were burglars. He is presently being held in the Sabine Parish Detention Center.

### CITY

**ENSUS BUREAU BEGINS E COUNTED' CAMPAIGN:** The "Be Counted" campaign is part the 1995 Census Test which will help determine how the Census Bureau will conduct the 000 Decennial Census. The forms will be available at local Questionaire Assistance Centers, as well post offices, the Department of Motor Vehicles, parish libraries and city town halls.

### STATE

**OUISIANA LOTTERY EGINS NEW JACKPOT AME:** On Sunday, the state egan "Powerball," a new jackpot ame. Powerball is an on-line ame operated by the Multi-tate Lottery Association. The ame has eight other prize vels, ranging from $1 to 100,000.

### NATION

**LINTON VOWS TO VETO TUDENT LOAN CHANGE:** resident Bill Clinton has vowed veto any legislation that would iminate the interest subsidy on udent loans. In a recent speech, linton attacked GOP plans that ropose students pay back the terest accrued on loans while ey were still in school. If terest subsidies are eliminated, raduates making payments on a pical $5,000 student loan ould be charged an additional 50 in interest for each year ey were in school. Currently, orrowers do not accrue interest harges on student loans until fter they finish school and start paying their loans.

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# New loan program offers lower interest rates

## 'Super Top' program lowers loan payments by one percent

DAWN O'BRIEN
*Current Sauce*

The Louisiana Public Facilities Authority (LPFA) has issued a new program called "Super Top." The program will lower the interest rate on loan repayments one percentage point below the government's payback rate.

This program, worth 25 million in bonds is expected to go out to over 8,000 students in Louisiana. It applies to all Federal Title IV loans, such as Federal Stafford, Unsubsidized Stafford, and PLUS. All qualified repayment borrowers become automatically eligible for "Super Top." Louisiana residents attending in or out of state schools as well as out of state residents are also eligible.

According to Mike Fuller, associate director of Financial Aid, Northwestern students will save substantially with "Super Top." For example, if a student gets an average $15,000 in Stafford loans, they will save over $900 in interest over the life of the loan. That reduces the payment of interest by 14.7 percent. Parents borrowing more through PLUS loans could have even greater savings.

"It's a good program for incoming freshmen," Fuller said.

"Super Top" will be available beginning with the upcoming 1995 summer session. Students are advised to apply right away, for the 25 million is expected to go quickly, and only 100 Northwestern students can get the loan, according to Fuller. It's on a first come, first serve basis.

> "We are now advising students to join if they already have loans...it's a great program."
>
> **Mike Fuller, associate director of financial aid**

There are no new loan application procedures, but after a student is approved for a federal Stafford or PLUS loan, they must choose the LPFA or a participating lender to take advantage of the lower rate through the Louisiana "Super Top" program.

"We are not advising students to join if they already have loans, because when they graduate they will have to make different pay-

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# Female lawmakers talk about state issues

JANE BALDWIN AND SARA CROOKS
*Current Sauce*

Crime prevention and higher education topped the discussion at the Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus Monday morning. Five Louisiana women legislators spoke at Natchitoches for the first time as part of their Whistle Stop Tour.

Natchitoches is the second stop in a two-day tour of the Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus. Other stops on the tour include Alexandria, Ruston and Shreveport.

This caucus is made up of the women who serve Louisiana as senators and representatives in Baton Rouge. The caucus provides support to the women of the legislature by helping them stay up-to-date with current information.

"The purpose of the tour is to go around the state particularly in areas where they are no female legislatures," Sen. Paulette Irons from District four said. "We currently have 14 women in the legislature and so we want to go around the state to make ourselves more accessible to women across the state."

By holding forums in several cities, caucus members hope to find out how the public feels by answering any questions they might have.

"They are out here to have constituents ask them question," Dana Lewis, member of the SGA Free Speech Committee, said.

"We are here to give a little information, but we are here to hear what you think," Irons said.

The caucus discussed the lack of women involvement in politics and the importance of women becoming more involved in politics.

"We are not where we should be," Rep. Cynthia Willard-Lewis from District 100 said. "If you look at the representation there is a gap and that gap is not going to decrease unless you offer yourselves. You have to be willing to take a chance. You have to be willing to take a risk.

"If you bring something to the table [legislature] that will make a difference and unless you have people with passion, encouragement and conviction coming forth, we are not going to change the state of affairs in this state," she said. "Women are 50 percent of the registered voters."

Many students were concerned about state funding on higher education. Each year the state either cuts or adds funding to higher education. The majority of educational funds go to elementary and secondary education. Some students suggested having higher education funds protected under the state constitution.

"It seems the state of Louisiana could solve a lot of its higher education problems by simply amending the constitution and passing laws to protect higher education so funding will be protected no matter what," Jason Meche, an SGA senator-at-large, said.

Presently, Rep. Jimmy Long is working on passing a bill in Congress to protect funds for higher education. "There was a bill introduced this year in which would basically giver higher education the same protection as elementary and secondary education," Long said. "Funding for higher education [in Louisiana] falls roughly $250 million short of the southern average,"

"The vast majority of our dollars goes to elementary and secondary education," Rep. Pinkie Wilkerson from District 11 said. "This is unfortunate because different areas are protected expect for higher education and health care."

Shirley Bowler, Rep. from District 78, believes protecting the funds under the state constitution is not the answer. "Once you protect public money you loose control of the purse strings and you also loose control of the quality," she said.

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# Sing Along



**Members of the *That's Absurd!* theater production sing in one of three separate plays to be performed March 13-19. The rotating repertory is designed to trace the development and influence of aburdist theater in America. It will be performed in Theater West and the Loft Theater. See related story on page 3.**

PHOTO BY JONATHON WALLACE

# Army camp builds leadership skills, self-discipline

## Students earn scholarships and college credit at Camp Challenge

An opportunity for a scholarship and a guaranteed job upon graduation can be a reality through Camp Challenge.

Camp Challenge is a six-week summer training and leadership development program designed for sophomores or students with two years until graduation.

According to Lt. Col. Forlenzo, head of the department of military science, Camp Challenge is six weeks of physical and mental challenges that will "increase your confidence, self-discipline and decisiveness." The Camp will be at Fort Knox, Ky. and attracts 2,100 college students nation-wide each year.

The camp is designed to allow students an opportunity to learn and practice leadership skills while they examine the Army as a career option without obligation.

"It's a great and inexpensive way to earn six semester hours, compete for a two year scholarship, open lots of opportunities for yourself and even get paid," Forlenzo said.

For a small processing fee, students can earn six college credits at Northwestern and up to 1,670 scholarship will be given to qualified attendees. Up to 270 scholarships will be fully funded scholarships worth up to $12,000 annually and 1,400 smaller scholarships that provide $2,000 a year toward tuition, books and fees. If a student wins an Army ROTC scholarship, the University will award a scholarship that can be applied toward room and board.

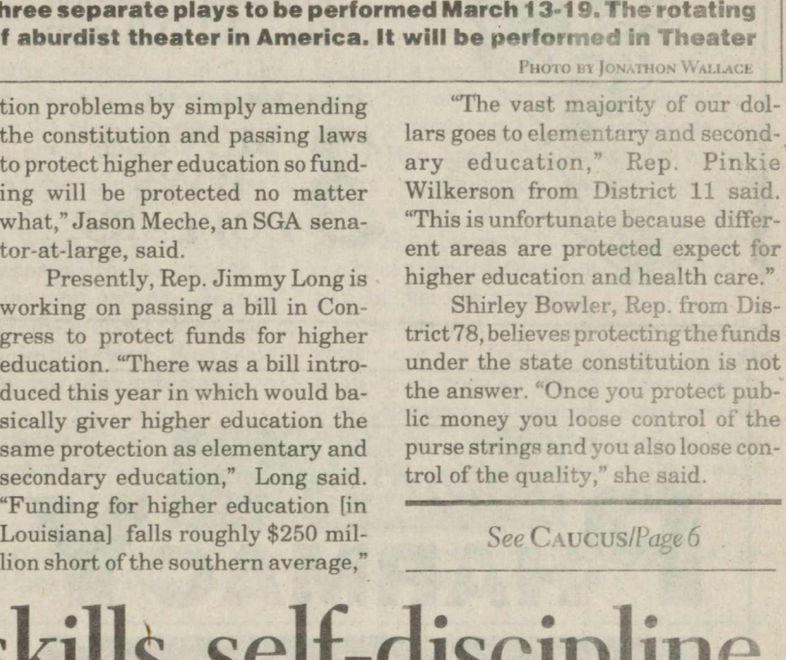
The ROTC department will provide a round-trip airline ticket, room and board, uniforms and camp registration fees.

According to Forlenzo, no prior military experience is required. "Prior military service or completing two years of ROTC classes in college would disqualify you...to make everyone we send from NSU more competitive for scholarships, we will be conducting pre-camp orientation for a few hours every month starting in March," he said.

There are three summer camp sessions but spaces are limited.

"Being a commissioned officer in the U.S. Army is one of the proudest and most rewarding opportunities you may ever have," he said. "I've lived that life for the past 20 years, and I'd love to tell you more about it and about Camp Challenge."

To find out more about Basic Camp, the ROTC program or to reserve the camp cycle of your choice, call 357-5157 or 357-6851.

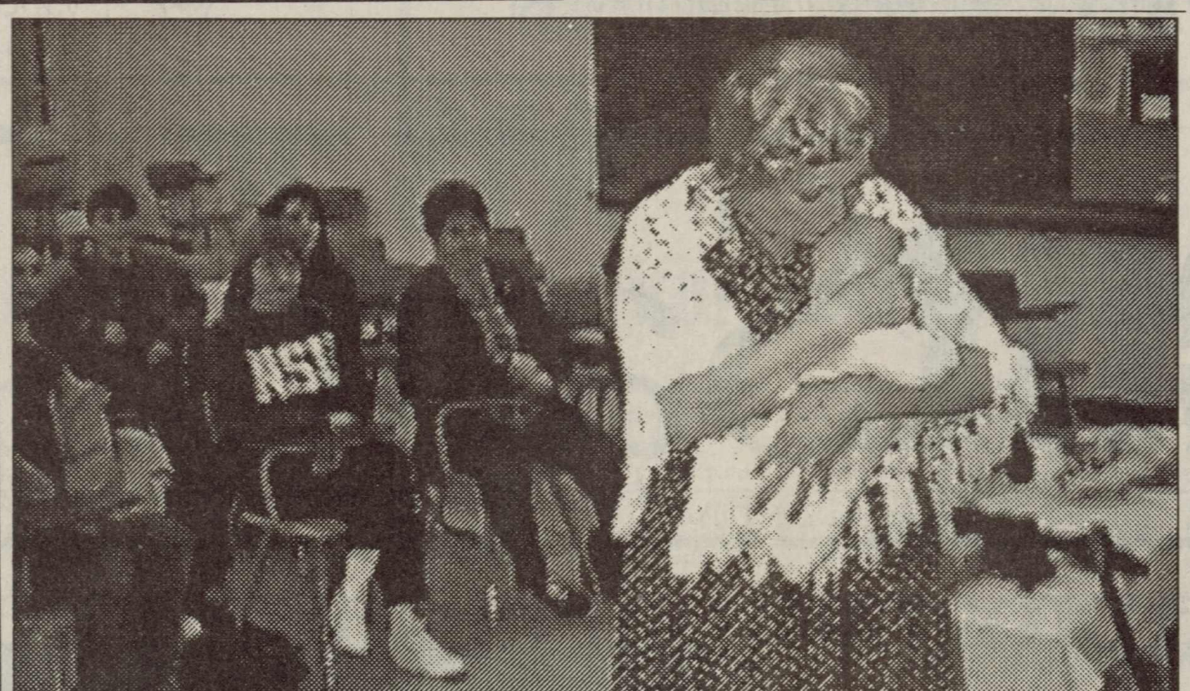


**Personal improvement and scholarship offers are the benefits of Camp Challenge. This year's camp will be at Fort Knox, Ky.**

## Former ambassador to speak at Honors' Banquet

Former ambassador Edward L. Rowny will deliver a lecture at 9 a.m. tomorrow in Magale Recital Hall and will be the featured speaker at the University's 34th annual Academic Honors' Banquet at 7 p.m. tonight in the Friedman Student Union.

Rowny served as special advisor to the president and secretary of state for arms control matters for presidents Reagan and Bush. He held the rank of ambassador while serving as chief U.S. arms control and disarmament negotiator and head of the U.S. delegation to the strategic arms control negotiations.



**Linda Thorne, a registered nurse from River North Hospital in Pineville, performs an skit for Professor Braudaway's 8 a.m. Human Development class Friday. The skit was performed to give students an elderly patient's perspective on life.**

## Wallace co-edits book on teaching grammar

Dr. Ray Wallace, director of Scholars' College, has co-edited a new book on the teaching of grammar.

The book, *The Place of Grammar in Writing Instruction: Past, Present, Future*, was published by Heinemann and was exhibited at the recent Modern Language Association International Conference in San Diego.

His previous book, *Intersections: Theory-Practice in the Writing Center*, was published by the National Council of Teachers of English. Wallace was selected by the NCTE to join 24 other researchers as part of the National Council of Teachers of English Sponsored Speakers Series. During this academic year, Wallace will present keynote addresses at three conferences.

## New scholarship offered

Patterson Insurance Company has established The Patterson Insurance Scholarship at Northwestern.

The Patterson Insurance Scholarship awards $1,000 annually with $500 awarded in the fall and spring semesters.

Applicants will be judged according to merit based on grade point average, ACT or SAT scores, character and involvement in extracurricular activities. A grade point average of at least 2.5 is required to maintain the scholarship. Recipients must be full-time students.

Applications for 1995 will be taken until May 1. For more information on the Patterson Insurance Scholarship, contact your local insurance agent or the NSU Foundation at 357-4414.

## Northwestern names new Cenla coordinator

Northwestern has selected Craig Poleman as the new coordinator for Cenla Programs at England Airpark in Alexandria.

Poleman, a former resident of Natchitoches, will coordinate all admissions, financial aid, registration and fiscal affairs procedures for the campus. He will also advise students on available degrees and course selections and recruit faculty.

Poleman was previously the director of financial aid at Louisiana College. Prior to holding that position, he was assistant director of financial aid at Northwestern.

Poleman earned a bachelor's degree in business administration from Northwestern and a master's in human relations and supervision from Louisiana Tech.

## Chopin conference to discuss race, ethnicity and regional identity

*Kate Chopin's South: Race, Ethnicity and Regional Identity* is the theme for the Fourth Biennial Kate Chopin Conference.

The conference will be held April 6-8 in the A.A. Fredericks Center for Creative and Performing Arts.

The conference will compare Chopin's work to the work of other writers concerned with race or ethnicity or which examine the social, political and economic contexts through which these issues can be better understood.

Several of Chopin's works were set in Natchitoches Parish.

Participants in the conference will have the opportunity to tour Chopin's home in Cloutierville where she lived between 1879 and 1884. Several keynote speakers will discuss Chopin's writings.

Also, a panel for young scholars and a forum on teaching Chopin is planned during the conference.

The Chopin home is famous tourist attraction and was awarded with the National Historic Landmark status last year

Registration for the conference is $30, $15 for graduate students and free to all Northwestern students.

For more information on the conference, call 357-4444.

## Business students offer help on income taxes

Filing tax returns may not be pleasant, but students and faculty in the Division of Business are hoping to make it easier. They are offering their services to low- income families who need assistance in preparing their income tax returns.

Northwestern accounting students will meet from 5-7 p.m. on Tuesday and Wednesday in Rm. 109 of Morrison Hall to provide tax help. Beginning March 4, assistance will also be available from 1-3 p.m. every Saturday. These services are free and will last until April 5.

Co-coordinators of the income tax assistance program are faculty members Marti Vienne, Dr. Alice Handlang and Terry Bectel. Accounting students giving their assistance are Roxanne Foret, Karen Dockens, Theresa Desadier, Bussy Jensen, Nicole Solari and Billie Hunter.

For more information, contact the Division of Business at 357-5161.

## Neurology professor to speak at Research Day

Harold L. Klawans, professor of neurology and author, will be the featured speaker at Research Day March 15. Research Day is sponsored by the Council of Undergraduate Research Administrators (CURIA).

A professor of neurology and pharmacology at Rush University in Chicago, Klawans has been an expert witness in more than 400 trials.

He has also written more than 400 scientific articles and is a recognized authority on Parkinson's Disease, Huntington's Disease and Tourette's Syndrome.

Klawans' expertise has been sought to illuminate the thornier reaches of medical ethics in numerous precedent setting malpractice cases.

His willingness to testify against physicians has made him unpopular in some medical circles.

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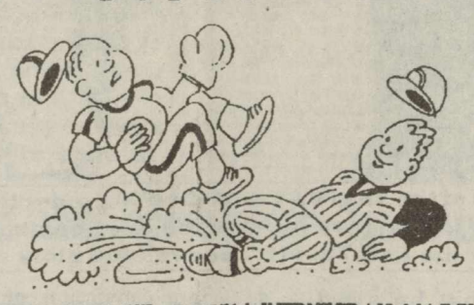
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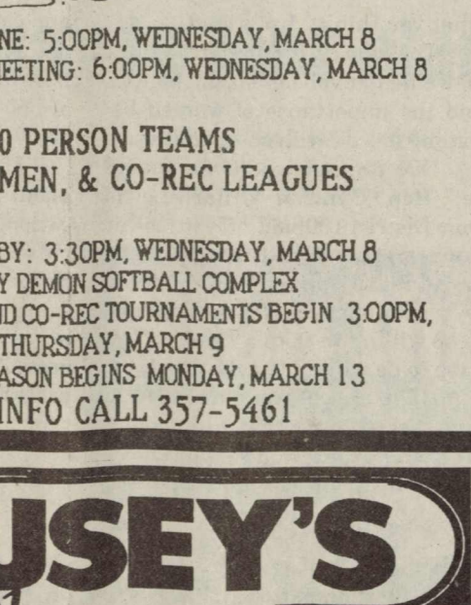
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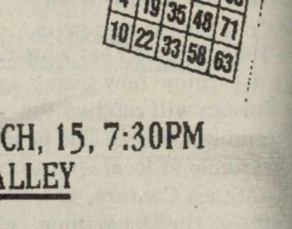
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# When dreams, reality become one . . . .

DEREK RABUCK
*Current Sauce*

Most everyone dreams of being a rock 'n' ll star sometime during his or her life, but nly a few strive to fulfill this dream.

Phillip DeVilbiss (rhythm guitar, vo- ls), Andy Field (drums, vocals), Christo- her Usie (bass guitar, vocals) and Jason ard (lead guitar, vocals) are four guys who re trying to make this dream a success. ast August these four guys, along with the te Pat Koonce, formed the band Last Call.

By playing "classic" tunes from various opular artists, with a few originals thrown , these guys are starting to build quite a ame for themselves in the Natchitoches nd Bossier City areas.

The members have deemed the classic tyle of rock 'n' roll that they play "drinking usic" and their brand of no frills entertain- ent has made Last Call very popular with e students of Northwestern and the sur- unding community.

The band, which includes three North- estern students, has been playing around atchitoches since late last year.

To get as far as they have has not been asy for the members. Besides playing in ast Call, the members have a wide array of her interests and obligations.

Usie and Field are members of the Na- onal Guard. DeVilbiss is an active member the Northwestern Student Government ssociation and is also employed as a disc ckey at a local radio station. Ward is an ctive member of the Northwestern ROTC rogram.

According to the band members, attending Northwestern and/or working full time takes its toll on the band. Field, who is pursuing a degree in elementary education, says that attending classes and keeping up with other responsibilities makes it tough to find the time and effort to put towards Last Call.

The other members agree that it is hard to find the time and energy to shape Last Call into a band that they are proud of.

Managing to keep up with Last Call has been a learning experience for the band. All four members played in other bands before joining Last Call but according to Field, "None of us have done anything to this scale before."

Before playing their first show as Last Call, the band practiced two nights a week for two straight months in order to learn around 30 songs.

The hard work has paid off for Last Call, but along with the ups come the downs. Recently Last Call lost lead singer Koonce to an unfortunate accident and the members have had to cope with his loss from the band.

In remembrance of Koonce and his contribution to the band, the members have written a song called *Say Goodbye*. "Writing the song has helped a lot of us [the members] cope with his loss," DeVilbiss says.

Through the good times and the bad, the band has continued to grow and along the way the bond among the members has continued to grow as well.

"The thing that stands out to me the most is how close we've become," Field says. The other members agree.

The members feel this bond among them has helped make Last Call a better band overall. DeVilbiss and Field feel that they have learned a lot by being a part of Last Call and that the band has helped them develop into better musicians.

> "We've never said that we are the greatest band in the world, but we have a good time."
>
> **Christopher Usie, Last Call**

Ward feels that the band is better overall because of how close they have become and Usie enjoys being around and playing with guys who are like him.

"The kind of bond we have is of a type that can only be experienced by jamming up in front of a crowd that wants to hear you play," Field said.

As the band has progressed so has their success. So far, the few clubs that they have played at have been good to the band. They have performed well enough to be asked back again and again and this has helped keep the band enthusiastic about the future.

The response that Last Call has had so far has encouraged the band to try to expand their playing field. The band has scheduled performances in Bossier City and as far south as Lake Charles and they do not plan on stopping there.

Though the band has no intentions of trying to obtain a recording contract at this time, they do plan on recording some studio tapes in the future.

"We know where our bread is buttered at," DeVilbiss says. "We are a bar band. We play drinking music for now."

According to Field, "A lot of bars will not hire you unless they have a decent studio recording of you."

Though they only get to practice one time a week, Last Call has been able to carry over the good times they have practicing together into their live performances.

With each member claiming to be a show-off in front of a crowd of people, it's a good bet that every show Last Call performs will be an enjoyable experience for both the band and the crowd.

"We've never said that we are the greatest band in the world, but we have a good time," Usie says. "We can entertain anybody. We can entertain a bunch of nuns and a bunch of priests."

So what does the future hold for Last Call? Ward plans to graduate in May. Usie plans on returning to college to finish his education while DeVilbiss and Field plan on continuing to pursue their college degrees.

With the future approaching, one wonders what will happen to the band itself. Field sums up the future for Last Call with this statement, "We're going to stick with this until there is no one [band member] left in Natchitoches."

As you can see, Last Call will be around for a long time.

## FAVORITE TEACHER CONTEST

Do you have a favorite instructor here at Northwestern — someone who has made your college experience more fulfilling? The *Current Sauce* would like to provide you with a chance to reward your favorite teacher for his or her educational expertise.

To do this, we are instituting a Favorite Teacher Contest. Students may enter the name of their favorite instructor. The teacher with the most entries will be featured by the *Current Sauce* in the March 28 issue.

To enter your favorite teacher, please cut out and bring this ballot to Rm. 225 Kyser Hall. Deadline for entries is March 21.

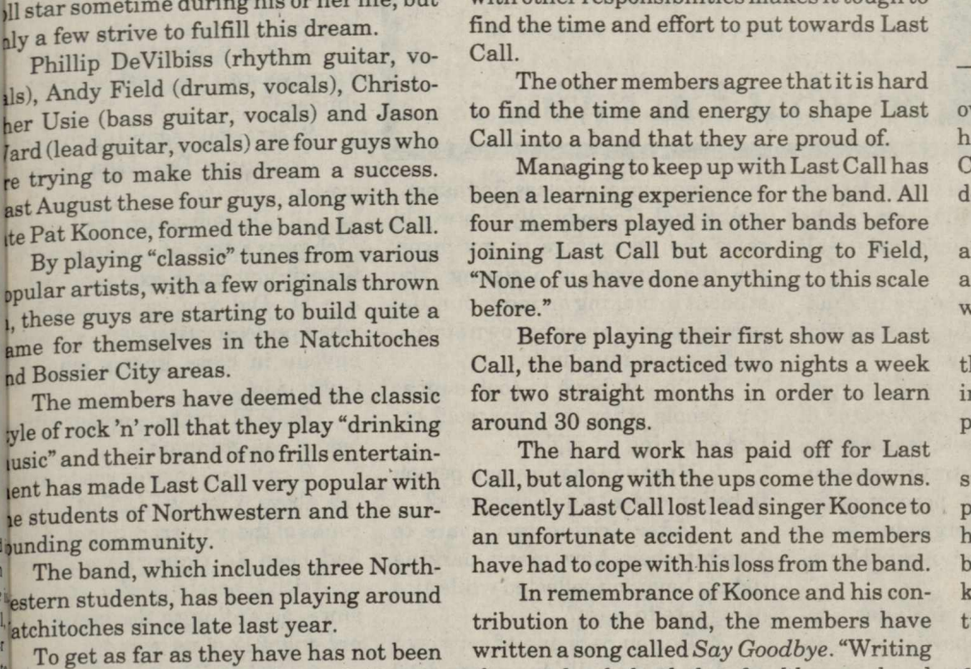
FAVORITE TEACHER CONTEST

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**(Top) Ryan Glorioso and Robert Louiverre practice a scene from *The Bald Soprano,* one of the three absurdist plays to be performed by the Northwestern theater March 13-20 in Theatre West.**
**(Bottom) Cast members of *Ecstasy: A Catastrophe in Two Scenes* include Seine Liles, Keith Campbell, Ivory Simon, Brad Burton, Allison DeLeon, melissa Randall, Brett Snyder, Bo Allen, Jerry Mullins, Renea Pullen, Ginger Heinley and Jerry Kendrick. The play, written and directed by Northwestern's Dr. Terry Byars, spoofs the absurdity of television evangelism.**

PHOTOS BY JOHNATHON WALLACE



# That's Absurd!

The word that best describes Northwestern's upcoming theater production is absurd. *That's Absurd!*, a trilogy of plays, will run at 7:30 p.m. March 13 through 20 in Theatre West.

*That's Absurd!* is designed to represent phases in the development of the absurdist movement. The three plays consist of Eugene Ionesco's *The Bald Soprano,* Tom Stoppard's *The Real Inspector Hound* and Northwestern assistant professor of theater, Dr. Terry Byar's *Ecstasy: A Catastrophe in Two Scenes*.

*The Bald Soprano,* directed by Chris Foster, Northwestern faculty member, is a early example of pure "absurdism." The plot deals with people's inability to communicate with one another. "You find these people attempting to talk to one another in a way that would not allow them to be understood by anyone else," Dr. Jack Wann, Northwestern's artistic director, said. "They are speaking a lot of nonsense. For example, the key line from the play and where the title comes from is 'What do you think of the bald soprano?' and the response is 'I don't like the way she does her hair.'"

According to Wann, all sorts of incongruous and nonsensical things happen in this proper drawing room setting. "We [society] don't communicate about things that are worth communicating about," Wann said. "This is an absurdist play attempting to point this out."

*The Real Inspector Hound*, directed by Vicki Parish, assistant professor of theater, takes place a little later in history than *The Bald Soprano* and is a much more intellectual play. "Ionesco uses absurd techniques to make straight-forward intellectual messages," Wann said. "What we have here is a play within a play where the reality of the people watching and the people participating in the play become mixed."

However, *The Real Inspector Hound* doesn't call for audience participation. Instead, it's about two critics watching a play who suddenly find themselves in the play. "You have what appears to be kind of a drawing room, mystery melodrama," Wann said. "The real Inspector Hound isn't revealed until the very end and in a very nonsensical, absurd way."

The final play of the trilogy is the debut of *Ecstasy: A Catastrophe in Two Scenes*, written and directed by Byars. The play is centered around a female television evangelist, Vaughn Ray McClendon, played by Seine Liles of Jonesboro, La. "It's a spoof of TV evangelism," Wann said.

*Ecstasy: A Catastrophe in Two Scenes* begins in a normal broadcast of McClendon's show. The only thing different is that she will try to contact her lost father via ham radio. Her father plane went down somewhere in Cambodia. "Vaughn Ray never really wanted to be an evangelist," Wann said. "She always wanted to be an aviatrix, but because her father was missing she had to take over his ministry."

By the end of the play a catastrophe occurs and the McClendons' show must actually help people. "It's an absurd look at how television evangelism helps people," Wann said. "Dr. Byars did his dissertation on the persuasive speaking of the evangelist, so he has a particular gift for working on a project like this."

For ticket information, contact the Theater Box Office at 357-5819.

# *Northwestern/Natchitoches offer diverse, entertaining activities*

BRIDGETTE M. MORVANT
*Current Sauce*

What's there to do in Natchitoches? tudents at Northwestern have been asking is question for generations. The answer, rprisingly, is quite a bit.

However, before exploring the adven- ures available in town, students should ake a look at some of the many recreational ctivities available on campus.

The Student Activities Board has many vents scheduled for the rest of the semes- er, according to Tait Martin, langniappe irector for the SAB. Martin oversees coffee ouse entertainment, such as comedians. ccording to Martin, at 7 p.m. Thursday ete Jensen, magician/comedian, will perform in The Alley. Also Thursday will be A Night at the Races. Students will be able to bet money on taped horse races. On March 16, SAB will sponsor a St. Pat's Day Scavenger Hunt. On March 22, students can participate in (or just enjoy) Songfest.

On March 23, Brad Montgomery, magician/comedian, will perform. Next, will come Marc Moran, comedian, on March 30, Renee Hicks, comedienne, on April 26, and Craig Carges, mentalist/comedian, will perform April 27. All events take place at 7 p.m. in The Alley.

Another upcoming event is SAB's annual Spring Fling, which will be April 3 through 7, according to Martin. Activities this year will include a showing of *True Lies* April 3 in The Alley. Ad Lib, an improvisational comedy troupe will perform for students on April 4. On April 5, SAB will sponsor a crawfish boil at Prather Coliseum. Several hands-on activities will be available for students on April 6, possibly including a human gyroscope and a velcro wall.

Of course, all of these activities take place during the school week. Unfortunately many students believe no activities are available on the weekends and leave Natchitoches. However, many other activities available on campus are open on the weekends. In addition to regularly scheduled activities, students can also spend time at the Rec Complex on the Highway One By-Pass or at Chaplin's Lake here on campus.

But, Northwestern isn't the only place students should go to spend their leisure time. The city of Natchitoches is a popular tourist spot in Louisiana and offers many activities which are open to students.

Many of the attractions which may be of interest to students are located in the nearby Historic District of Natchitoches, a 33-block area which includes Front and Second streets. Among the many attractions are the St. Denis Bust and Rue Beauport-Rouque House, Ducournau Square, the Prudhomme-Rouquier House, the Tante Huppe' House, the Brown-Metoyer Home, the Levy House, the Taylor Home, the Lemee House, William and Mary House, Ft. St. John Baptiste, American Cemetary, the Laureate House, the Chaplin House, Trinity Episcopal Church, Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, the Old Courthouse, the Wells Home and the Williams Home. Many of these sites are well within walking distance, but bus tours are also available. Students may also wish to visit the Museum of Historic Natchitoches, 840 Washington St.

For students willing to travel a little, more points of interest are located in the Natchitoches Parish area. These include the Cane River plantations: Oak Lawn, Beau Fort, Oakland, the Kate Chopin House, Magnolia, Cherokee and Melrose.

Nature lovers may also wish to visit some of the many natural wonders in Natchitoches Parish, including Kisatchie National Forest, Black Lake, Los Adais archaeological site and Grande Ecore. Also, located about an hour's drive from Natchitoches, is Hodges' Gardens.

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**Our**View

# Good Sports

## Low student participation at Northwestern sporting events is sign of a larger problem

We'll preface this editorial by congratulating the men's and women's basketball teams on their playoff berths this season.

The men's team has been a textbook case in miracles while the women turned in the consistently strong performance we have come to expect from them.

Also, belated (very) congratulations go to Northwestern's baseball team: the reigning Southland Conference champions.

These Northwestern teams, and many others, are some of the best in their divisions. But you wouldn't know it from the attendance at their games. Average attendance figures for all sports, and especially baseball and women's basketball are among the lowest in their respective divisions.

We can think of at least two good reasons why students don't attend Northwestern sports games: 1. They just don't care for sports and 2. They would rather go out during the week or go home to mom and dad on the weekend.

Indeed, Northwestern's "suitcase college" status plays a large role in why students don't attend sports events and why they don't participate in other functions planned by the SGA and SAB.

> "Many students don't care enough about the welfare of their University to even completely unpack between weekends with mom and dad"

For those who don't recognize the term "suitcase college," it is generally synonymous with apathy. In other words, many students don't care enough about the welfare of their University to even completely unpack between weekends with mom and dad.

We don't buy the excuse that there's nothing to do in Natchitoches. In addition to the many sporting events, there are also social groups and hangouts available to students for every interest. Granted, not all will be quite as sophisticated as those you find at larger schools. But there are things to do nonetheless.

Starting this week in our Lifestyle section, we will spotlight a places and events in Natchitoches that students may find interesting. We encourage students to take advantage of whatever is spotlighted, stay in Natchitoches for a while and get to know their home away from home for at least four years of their lives. We think they will find it's not so bad.

Obviously, the University offers much to potential students as evidenced by its rapid growth in the past few years. Unfortunately, most of those students are on satellite campuses. And, as long as word of mouth is that Natchitoches and Northwestern are boring, our main campus growth will continue to be stifled.

Students have to take the responsibility for changing this perception. Go to sports games and bring friends from your community along for the fun. It's too late for basketball, but we can still go out and support our baseball team.

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# Defining 'non-traditional': stereotypes may apply

## Large student group has much in common



**Judy**Giles

## So what I'm saying is...

What is a non-traditional student at Northwestern? A student void of tradition? A member of an elite peer or status group? This dilemma has puzzled me since 1992, when I first enrolled and this label became part of my identity.

Immediately I assumed, my political preference not being Republican, that the admissions office must have correctly placed me in a non-conservative student alliance! Amazed, I then wondered how my liberal leanings had been determined from the minimal information on that admissions form. This school is remarkable! I knew I had made the right choice.

Since then, of course, the meaning of the term "non-traditional" has continued to grow, as well as it's membership. Looking around the cafeteria at lunch, I feel quite at home. This same diverse (a word used heavily in social work classes) crowd, could very well be seen at the Food Court in the Alexandria Mall any Saturday.

Convinced of this group's majority status, I sought out statistics to validate my theory.

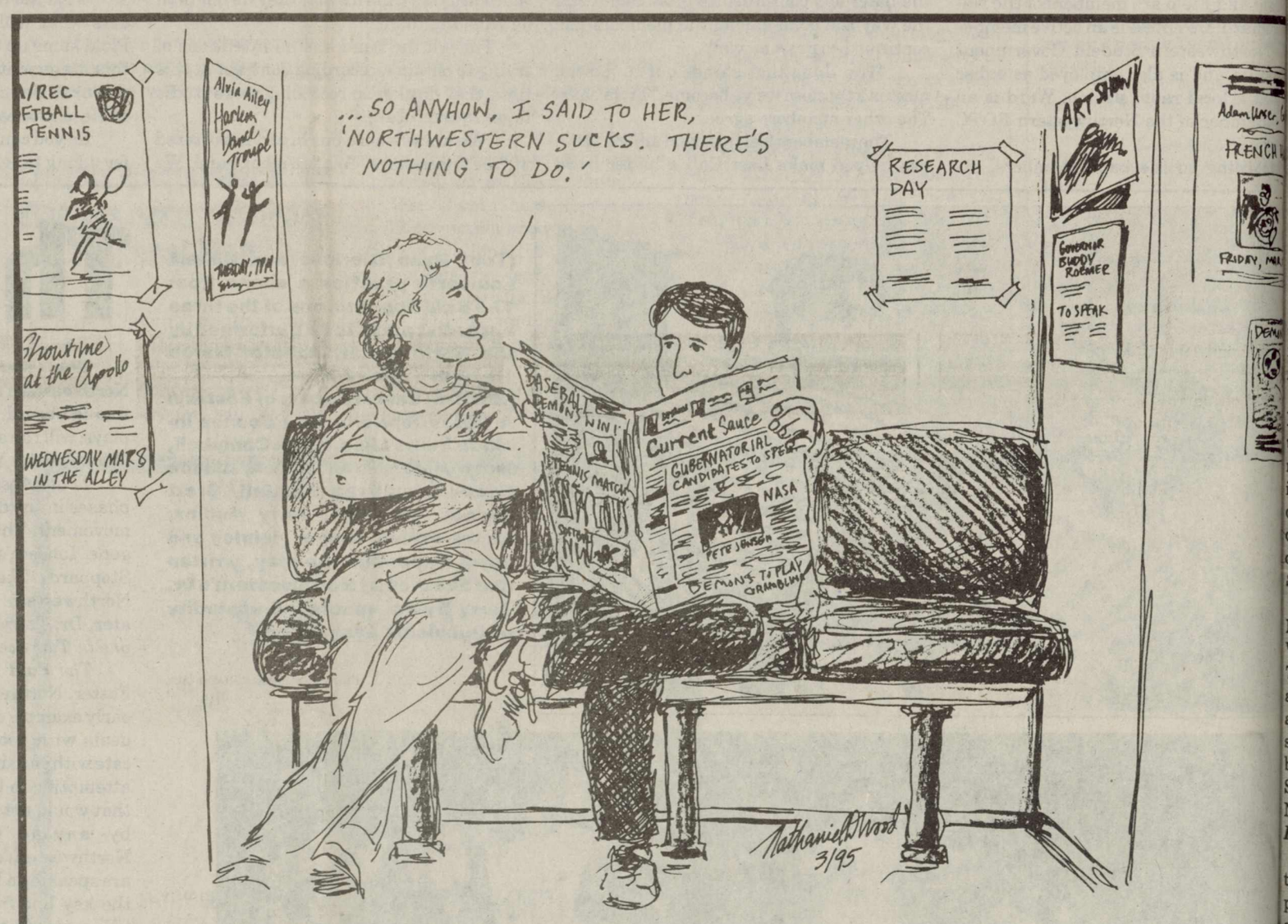
However, computer data compiled by Dr. Dan Carr, director of Institutional Research, revealed the total number of non-traditional students is currently 37 percent of the 7,576 enrolled undergraduates on all the combined campuses of Northwestern.

The University includes students ages 25 and above in this category. It is my position that many of the married students under age 25 are parents and therefore should be more appropriately classified as non-traditional. Undoubtedly, this would raise the percentage in my favor. For the purpose of assisting the student in making an individual determination of his or her own status, I offer some guidelines:

1. Do you have to cook supper for people other than yourself before studying at night?
2. Must you coax a small person to bed in order to do homework?
3. After driving two hours to Natchitoches, how many parking tickets have you collected while also being late to class?
4. Do you pass any of your own children in the halls during the day?
5. Do you have personal friends among the faculty?
6. Do you find yourself ident... ing with your professors?
7. Can you recall from mem... some of the historical events in y... textbook?
8. Do you have to finish a pa... *before* you can play with your gra... children?
9. Are you beginning to un... stand the way Dr. Lekatis' m... works?
10. Do you score well on ... Aichinger's test of Louisiana P... tics without much explanation?
11. Did you raise your h... when professor Braudaway aske... anyone in class knows who A... Guthrie is?
12. Will you be a senior citi... before you graduate?

If you can answer yes to an... the above, then WELCOME to ... ranks of the non-traditional. If ... had been an exam, I would h... aced it! I hereby claim senior ... since, according to the stats, th... are only 212 of us over 40!

So, what I've been saying ... Non-traditional students are S... CIAL.




# Re-education in truth vital for 'world of peac



**Mick**Dorsey

## Hit 'em Hard

A week before Mardi Gras break, there was a reponse to my Abraham Lincoln column which was said to be "incoherent" and "rambling." The letter came across to me as an illogical, emotional response rather than a well thought out, intellectual one.

As I figured, some heads who read my Lincoln column would already be too hard to comprehend what I was saying. Therefore, I am prepared to thoroughly express my views and reveal sources that have indeed broadened my scope of thinking to which you may humbly come to understand.

Here is the main statement to which I'm responding: "Upon reading Mr. Dorsey's column on Abraham Lincoln last week, a host of emotions ran through my mind. Anger, that he could attack one of history's greatest Americans; Sadness, that a black man would bite the long-deceased hand that fed him and amusement, that Mr. Dorsey believes that he has discovered new and shocking revelations about Mr. Lincoln's opinions."

I will address this statement along with others in no particular order.

A lot of people who read my article did not know that Lincoln felt the way he did about the situation of the slaves. Even though it was recorded on paper and passed on through word of mouth by historians, it was never taught or highlighted in most schools. So to many these are new and shocking revelations.

> "...Africans played a major role in freeing themselves, not by Abraham Lincoln's supposed altruism."

Most people think the Civil War took place to free the slaves. Not true. The issue between the North and South was that the North was becoming industrial vs. the South remaining agricultural. This battle had been going on even since the time of the American Revolution—about the time when they were putting together the constitution which stated blacks were three-fifths human. This three-fifths of a human issue was in discussion for many years for one particular reason: should the slave be counted as part of the population for a political advantage or not. If the slaves were counted for population purposes it would give the South greater representation in Congress.

But the North wanted just the opposite—for them not to be counted at all. And so there was a major conflict which resulted in the war between the ruling class of the South and the ruling class of the North. So the war did not occur over the concerns of freeing the slaves.

Africans everywhere had already been resisting slavery from the very beginning. The resistence increased as they all started to communicate in the English language. The Nat Turner revolt is just one example of historical slave rebellions. The rebellion by enslaved Africans was shown in all forms from running away to sabotage to standing up against their masters to ... piosoning.

So you see, Africans play... major role in freeing themse... not by Abraham Lincoln's supp... altruism. Now, to let you know w... I stand and what I have in sto... the future, I'm for re-educat... educating the truth—not hidi... hind false and unclear pretenses ... ing the truth never surfaces.

And, as for the comparison ... defense of present day controv... figures, I'm proud to say that ... have awarded yourself the titl... demagogue. I wonder if my respo... defends the various forms of ... colonialism, imperialism and ... right racism that are definite ... intricate parts in the wall of wes... civilization.

People all over who disapp... of any form of oppression will n... quietly and allow you and p... like you to ring the bell for roun... of the good old days to occur ... want to create a better wor... world without lies, hatred, jea... or envy.

And trust me, when the m... of the people, including many w... get ready to reconstruct a b... world of peace, I'm afraid you ... not have any tools to rebuild ... your forefathers intended this ... to be.

*Sources: Sex and Race Vol. 1-2 by J.A. Rogers; ... tral Line of Abraham Lincoln with Stout fam... nections by Bagance, H.M.; Lincoln Family A... Mark E. Neely; Assata Autobiography by ... Shakur; The Hidden Lincoln by Herndon; The ... Encyclopedia; The Written and Spoken Words ... coln; Black Athena Vol 1-2 by Martin Bernal.*

# Campus Forum

Tuesday, March 7, 1995

News and Views from the Northwestern Community

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## Campus Connection

Campus Connection submissions must be brought to Rm. 225 by noon on the Monday before Tuesday publication. All submissions should be less than 100 words and should pertain solely to meetings, announcements and upcoming activities. Birthday greetings, congratulations and/or product advertisements should be submitted as paid classified ads. Connections must be resubmitted each week they are to be run.

***Sigma Sigma Sigma***

The Tri-Sigma 2nd annual softball tournament will be held at 8 p.m. March 11 at Highland Road Park. The entry fee is $85. Contact Ashley Deville at 357-8350 or Misty Hughes at 357-0793.

Tuesday: dress up and wear your badges; Wednesday wear your letters and attend the Greek Week meeting at 3 p.m.; Thursday Rush theme is due; Saturday is the softball tournament; Sunday meeting at 7 p.m. at the house.

***Sigma Gamma Rho***

Sigma Gamma Rho will be having their Spring Rush soon. Those interested should send a copy of their transcript to the sorority at NSU box 3508. Requirements include 2.5 cumulative grade point average and 15 or more credit hours. Contact Felicia Smith at 357-5731 or LaJuana Vanzant at 357-5865 for more information.

***Alpha Kappa Alpha***

AKA will hold its Spring Rush at 8 p.m. tonight in the President's Room. Those interested should send a transcript and letter of interest to the sorority c/o MadelineValrie, 279 Brickyard Rd., Natchitoches, 71457. Requirements include 12 credit hours and a 2.5 semester and cumulative grade point average.

***B-Term/Midterms/Early Registration***

B-Term registration will be March 8-9 in individual departments. Schedules are available in the Registrar's Office.

Midterm grades will be available March 15-16 in the Student Union Ballroom (Picture ID required).

Schedule request cards for Fall 1995 registration will be available April 18 in the Student Union Ballroom. Advising and early registration will be held in departments April 19-20.

***Psi Chi***

Psi chi is accepting applications from Psychology majors and minors. Applications will be available in the Psych. department on the third floor of the biology building. Membership requirements include completion of nine semester hours in psychology, cumulative GPA of 3.0 and Psychology GPA of 3.0.

***Student Activities Board***

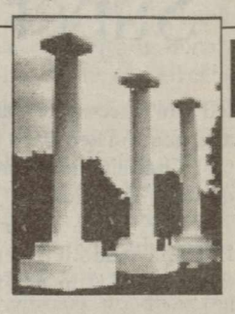
This week's movie is *The Lion King*. Movie times are 7 p.m. Tuesday, 12 p.m. Wednesday and 2 p.m. Thursday. Also, at 7p.m. Thursday, SAB presents "The Magic and Mentalism of Pete Jenson." Following at 8 p.m. will be "A Night at the Races": a simulated horse race where students will be allowed to place thier bets and win cash. Students are admitted free with current NSU ID.

***Phi Beta Sigma***

We will sponsor a 3 on 3 basketball tournament April 3-6. A $75 first place prize will be awarded to boys and girls groups. Teams can have from 3-5 players.

# Outdated affirmative action policy promotes new racism

GENE WATTS



## Forum Viewpoint

This section provides readers the opportunity to express their views in a column-type format. Each submission should be between 400-600 words and include the author's signature and phone number. Columns must be written professionally and include no personal controversy. They are due Friday before the Tuesday publication.

Since the November elections, stunned liberals have begun to circle the wagons around the dying corpse of big government. Big government is the system of politics as practiced by the Democratic party, who have been in power for the last 40 years. The hallmarks are vast, unwieldy bureaucracies, obnoxious and intrusive social engineering and a contempt for the will of the American people. One of the big government's most controversial legacies is affirmative action.

As late as 1964, discrimination in this country was rampant and in a lot of cases quite open, even in our beloved South. Minorities were denied jobs, housing and opportunities for higher education. If they did have a good job, there was a glass ceiling that was not there for white men. Lyndon Johnson, founder of the great society, sought to remedy that problem by pushing affirmative action which would ensure minorities a fair shot at opportunities long denied to them.

But affirmative action was never supposed to be permanent. It was only supposed to last until the playing field was level. While racism still exists, institutional racism does not, with one exception: affirmative action. Rather ironic, don't you think?

Under existing affirmative action laws, qualified white workers can and have been turned down for employment until requisite minority quotas have been filled. A middle class or wealthy black student can receive scholarships or other forms of financial aid denied poor white students, regardless of grades or test performance.

> "The only qualification for advancement is achievement. Just ask Colin Powell."

A minority business can receive a local, state or federal government contract based on nothing more substantial than the race of the owner. These are called "set asides." Some cities and states are forced to set aside up to 30 percent of their contracts for minority-owned companies.

It is fitting that Lyndon Johnson be remembered as the father of the great society. After all, it was the government's aim to become our figurative parents. They've already told us our mothers were liars. Two wrongs do make a right.

I have always suspected that liberals who defend affirmative action are closet bigots. Affirmative action is their way of helping genetically disadvantaged minorities. Of course, they won't admit this but every once and a while their mask slips.

Case in point: In a recent speech, the president of Rutgers University defended affirmative action on the grounds that blacks were genetically disadvantaged. Needless to say, his presidency is hanging by a tenuous thread. This man is one of the more politically correct academians in the country. He instituted speech codes and he refused to read The Bell Curve on the grounds that it was immoral. He is being hanged deservedly by his own rope.

But there is an ever-increasing discontent. A recent Time/CNN poll found 77 percent of respondents thought affirmative action discriminated against white men. Even 66 percent of the black respondents answered the same way.

In California, activists groups are trying to place an initiative on the ballot that would prohibit racial discrimination or preference based on race, religion or gender. The new Republican majority in Washington is threatening to review the necessity of affirmative action.

As is to be expected, liberal and minority leaders are howling with hyperbolic fervor.

To paraphrase the poet Ezra Pound, they fight for an old bitch gone in the teeth. Jesse Jackson recently compared American conservatives to German Nazis. Of all the insults Rev. Jackson has hurled at the Jewish people, this is certainly the most grotesque. To exploit the holocaust for political gain is unworthy even of him.

Charles Rangel, a Democratic Congressman from New York said that anyone who supports spending cuts and opposes affirmative action is a racist.

While the politically correct among us try to stifle constrictive dialog, we can look to the military for the ideal in race relations. They don't have affirmative action, they have fair treatment. Racial integration has been an unqualified success. The only qualification for advancement is achievement. Just ask Colin Powell.

## Current Quotes

# Do you attend NSU sporting events?



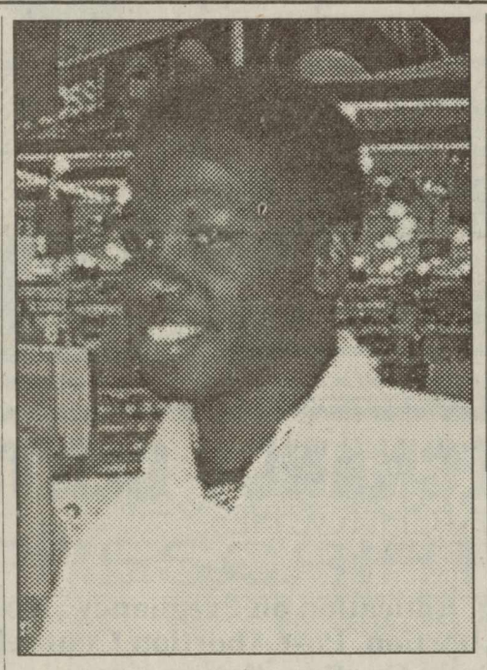
"I go to the football games because my boyfriend's on the team. It's also a lot more exciting than other sports."

***—LaTonya Hamilton***
***Junior, Social Work***



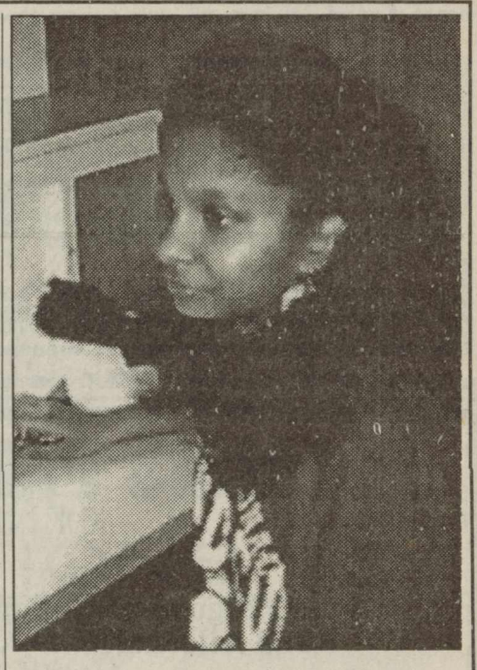
"Not regularly. I go to see the football games occasionally because they are more exciting."

***—Juanita Jones***
***Sophomore, Natchitoches Central***



"I do. I go to the football games for social interaction mainlyand the basketball games because a friend plays on the team."

***—Kenneth Nutt***
***Senior, Business***



"No I don't. I'm not into sports."

***—Anupama Pothuraju***
***Junior, LSMSA***

## Dorsey comments about Abraham Lincoln misinformed

HIMANSHU PRATAP SINGH

My letter is in response to Mr. Dorsey's column "Lincoln: Not the man you thought he was." This letter is not about confrontation, but one about a diligent approach to make Mr. Dorsey see my point of view.

First, to set the record straight. I am surely not a "hard-head" and I hope neither shall be Mr. Dorsey.

The first complaint is that President Lincoln claimed to be white. Surely if he hadn't made this claim, he never would have become who he did and never would have done what he has.

The second complaint is that Lincoln stated that the "paramount objective" in the Civil War was to save the Union and not to end slavery. Correct me if I am wrong, but I think it would have been very hard for President Lincoln to convince white folks to spill their blood for the abolishment of slavery.

I think this is a classic example of the political prowess that President Lincoln did indeed possess. He managed to kill two birds with one stone.

The Lincoln-Douglass debate I feel is strongly against the very point that Mr. Dorsey is trying to make because it makes perfectly clear that Lincoln was against slavery. The mere fact that he is thinking of a solution that "betters their condition" should lay to rest any doubts about his orientation towards and concern for "slaves." The statement "yet the point is not clear enough for me to denounce people upon" is similar to a politician today saying "no new taxes."

As for Mr. Dorsey's question "Do you like what you see?", my reply would be a most emphatic NO. However, bickering about the past will not take us very far in correcting the future. Let us put ourselves in the shoes of those we want to judge and we might see things in a different light.

Surely President Lincoln was not perfect, but he did do the best he could. And I believe that every person who is white, black or somewhere in between should be proud of what he did for all of us.

If there is any message that we should imbibe in our own lives from the life of President Lincoln, then it is that we should set our own standards way above those of our society. He showed us that these standards can be achieved. The effort of out generation and of those to come should be to measure up to the path he showed us.

## Student participation at NSU sports events disheartening

BRIAN SATAWA

What's the deal with student attendance at NSU sporting events? I don't know, but I would like to address this muteness.

The football team had to have the help of the Southern Alumni Association to set a Turpin Stadium attendance record against Southern. Talk about a real home-field advantage when 75 percent of the fans on your own home field are for the other team. Then three weeks later, NSU beat Troy State, the fourth-ranked division 1-AA team in the country with about 3,000 fans in a 16,000-seat stadium. Granted, the weather was bad, but come on, we were playing the fourth best team in the country.

We then move into the spring where the basketball team plays before enormous crowds of 500 to 1,000 people. It's even better at baseball games because you can hear yourself thinking with the 100 or so people at the game. All this support for a team that has won the Southland Conference or conference tournament three out of the last five years.

Come on students, this is ridiculous. Others pay to go to these games and we get in free as part of our student fees. I graduated in May 1994 and still made it to two football games even though I was in school at Baton Rouge.

I was also excited to get back up here to watch our over-achieving basketball team. It's unbelievable that a high-caliber coach such as J.D. Barnett was begging to come here after Dan Bell was fired. He even got Dean Smith, the coach at North Carolina to send out athletic director a letter of recommendation so he could get the NSU job. Thank God for small miracles after the Dan Bell era.

Finally, I would like to discuss the crowd participation at the NSU basketball games. Nothing aggravated me more than to see at the Southwest Texas game mute fans until the last minute of the game. Does it take an act of Congress to make some noise during the whole game and not just during crunch time?

You yell a few choice !!???! at the referees after a bad call and everyone looks at you like you are an idiot. I guess I was trained too well growing up in Baton Rouge and going to LSU football games where my vocabulary and use of choice adjectives was expanded. I feel sometimes like I am in a monastery when I attend an NSU sporting event. It makes you feel like you are at a high school sporting event instead of a college one at any NSU game.

In closing, I would like to say "Go to the games."

Women, if your boyfriends go to NSU games, go with him. Even if you don't have a boyfriend, attend the games and you might meet a prospect. You can also catch up on the latest sorority and town gossip.Then, after the game, you can meet your new prospect at one of the fine drinking establishments in town. I recommend the Press Box or Antoons for your post-game fun.

Finally, trust me, this is it, come out and support women's programs. They also practice, play and study hard in school and deserve strong student support. So come on, students get off your butts and go to the games! Create some excitement on campus and help our teams to victory instead of staying at home.

## Editorial cartoon a 'ploy against intelligence'

DEBRA SIMIEN AND NICHOLE CRAWFORD

We would like to direct our viewpoint towards the political cartoon featured in the last *Current Sauce*. As we all know Black History Month is to remember and commemorate all the struggles we as black people have been through.

The march was a symbol of that. But just because 800 black people did not show up does not mean that we are apathetic. The amount of people at an event means nothing if those in attendance do not unite for a common goal or idea.

How many times have you heard that you can count your true friends on your fingers? I guess what the cartoon is saying that we as black people are always complaining and never do anything.

Well if that is the case why doesn't the artist take a few hours and visit his local library and take a look at black history. He will see our many accomplishments.

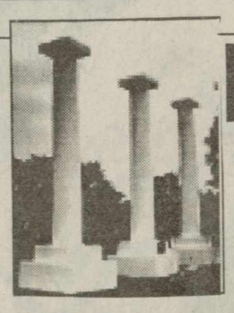
Since the cartoon was in the paper why wasn't there a write-up about it? There is usually a story accompanied with the cartoons but this time it didn't happen. Why not? And why aren't the people colored in? Is this a ploy against our intelligence?

Just because there are people on this campus that happen to be black and happen to have negative attitudes on certain issues doesn't mean that it reflects on *all* of us.

Why did the negative aspect receive enough attention to be placed in the newspaper, especially when only a handful of "disgruntled" people expressed their negative viewpoint. Don't you, Nathaniel Wood, have something else to draw about? You could use your talent towards something positive.

We as black people already have to deal with enough negative publicity as it is without you adding to it.

**Editor's Note: The cartoon in question related to the editorial and front page story on the Iberville workers walkout—not the black history rally.*



## Your View

*Letters*

Should between 300-500 words and must include the signature of the author, the author's classification, major and phone number for fact verification. They are due the Friday before the Tuesday publication date.

# CAUCUS: Students speak out against gambling, abortion

*Continued from the front page*

You cannot honestly say that our public school system statewide...are doing a top-notch job," Bowler said. "For example, once the mayor or alderman say you have a problem in your department and you have to fix it. The head of that department turns around and says by law you have to keep funding me and I don't have to answer to you. That's the real danger of constitutionally protecting anything, because you loose the accountability factor and you might as well not elect any of us."

The caucus also discussed public funding for abortions and gambling.

The Student Government Association will continue to invite state representatives to speak at Northwestern. This month, former Governor Charles "Buddy" Roemer will speak 10 a.m. March 23 in the Student Union Ballroom. Roemer is a gubernatorial candidate in the upcoming election.

Sen. Mike Foster will also speak at 12:30 p.m. March 29 in the President's Room.

# LOAN: Students save money through 'Super Top'

*Continued from the front page*

ments." Fuller said. "It's a great program for first time borrowers."

Students who borrow through the "Super Top" program will pay back the loan at one percentage point below the government's rate as long as they do not default.

Also, participation in Federal programs such as "Super Top" this year does not guarantee eligibility in following years. As with any loan, students must reapply every academic year and eligibility then is dependent upon changes in Federal guidelines, restrictions and the availability of the bond money.

The LPFA is hoping to expand the program into future years, but they cannot guarantee its continuance. However, the LPFA has studied the success of other programs and has worked hard to get this low cost financial advantage to the students of Louisiana.

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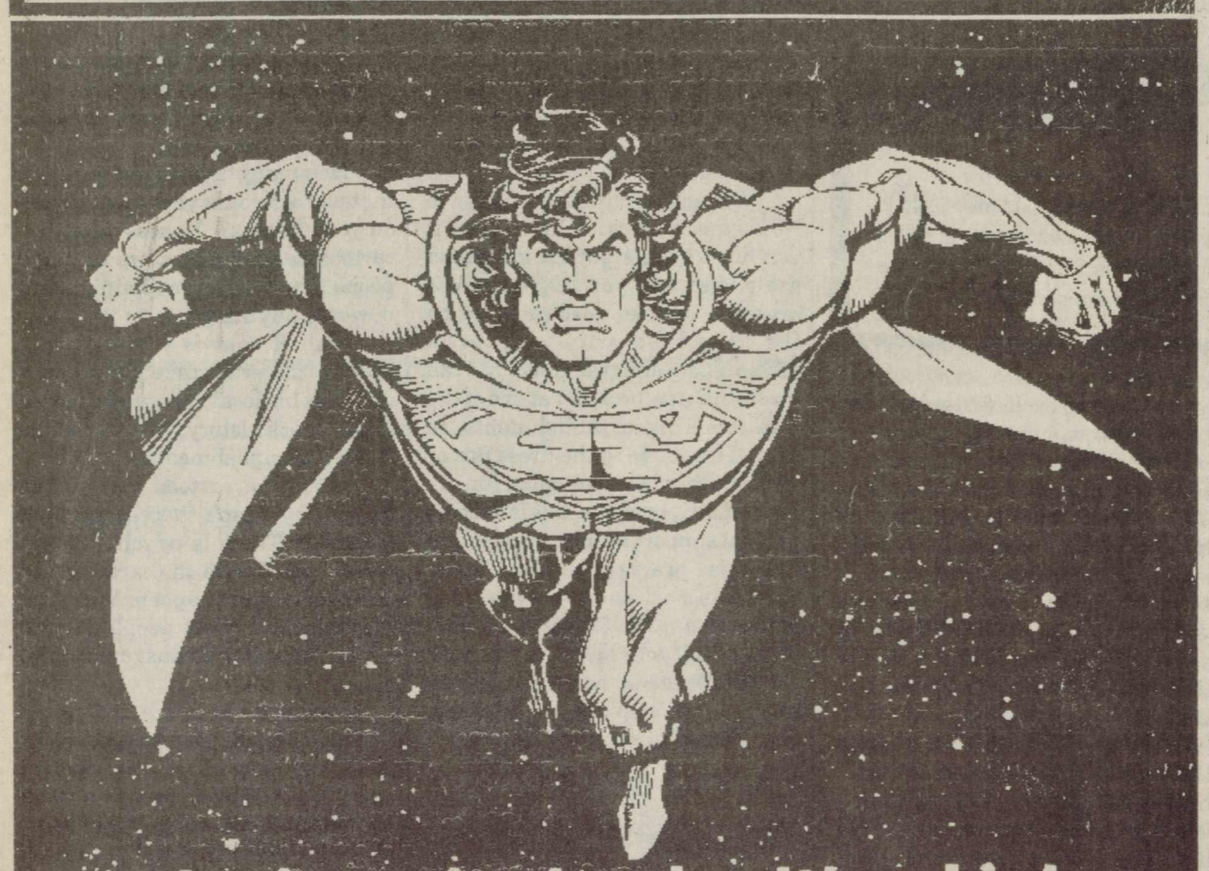
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## Bradymania

KEVIN SWEENEY
*College Press Service*

Anthony Rubino wasn't out of diapers when *The Brady Bunch* premiered on ABC in '69.

But he eventually became hooked on Bradymania when perpetual syndication transformed this innocuous family sitcom into a campy cult classic.

Now Rubino, a cartoonist whose *Mr. College* is syndicated in several hundred college papers, has done his bit to cash in on zeitgeist with *Life Lessons from the Brady's* (Plume, $6.95) .

Subtitled *Far-out Unauthorized Advice from America's Grooviest TV Family,* much of the guidance has to do with apparel ("Polyester makes excellent formal wear," "Where shirt collars are concerned . . . the bigger the better"), the opposite sex ("Don't date crumbs"), or both ("Chicks like to rap with guys in funky threads,").

## BOOKS

Unfortunately, this 6" x 4" tome is slim in more than its size. Rubino tries for a hipster's deadpan irony with such nuggets as "When something is 'funky,' it's 'all together'" and "Be as groovy as you can be." ( The word "groovy" turns up a lot, along with "threads," "pad" and "dig.") Some of this will bring a smile of recognition to the initiated, but at two tidbits to a page, it becomes stale pretty quick. Barry Williams' "Growing Up Brady" did the same thing much more humorously and unselfconsciously.

In the jokey intro, Rubino claims to have watched every episode for their "subtle hidden meanings." But he doesn't give any information on which episodes the life lessons were first taught. The true Brady-phile, I suspect, would demand more precise documentation.

Then again, the true Bradyphile will automatically know in which episode we learned that "If Davy Jones performs at your prom, you can be sure the scene will be outtasight!"

(*Life lessons from the Brady's* will be published in March.)

# From Diane Chambers to Carol Brady: Here's the story

IAN SPELLING
*College Press Service*

When Shelley Long, the former star of the beloved series *Cheers*, won the role of that great maternal icon, Carol Brady, in *The Brady Bunch Movie,* she realized rather quickly that it would be a rather unique acting challenge. After all, how could anyone possibly out-Florence Henderson Florence Henderson?

"Really, this was a matter of playing someone somebody else had already played," says Long, a friendly, talkative woman, as she sits for an interview at the Rihga Royal Hotel in Manhattan. "Also, I was given the assignment to do it exactly as Florence did it. I think Betty Thomas, our director, was smart enough to know that I would grab any challenges, like the voice. I don't know if I got the voice exactly, but I got a voice that was closer to Florence Henderson's than to my own. You needed to hear Carol Brady's voice and her inflections, and you needed to see her expressions, body movements, her head tilts, and all of that. I think Betty knew, intuitively, that I would bring something a little different to it because this is the '70s Bradys living in the '90s. It's satire, which Betty and I both did at Second City [the famed comedy troupe] in Chicago."

Long, who admits she was too busy studying and/or enjoying the social scene while at Northwestern University to watch the *Brady Bunch* during the series' original run, watched episode after episode of the show in preparation for the film. She studied Henderson's every move, her perky hair and her— well—very bright, very polyester outfits, and then brought the character to life, discovering for herself in the process what made the show so appealing to a generation of baby boomers.

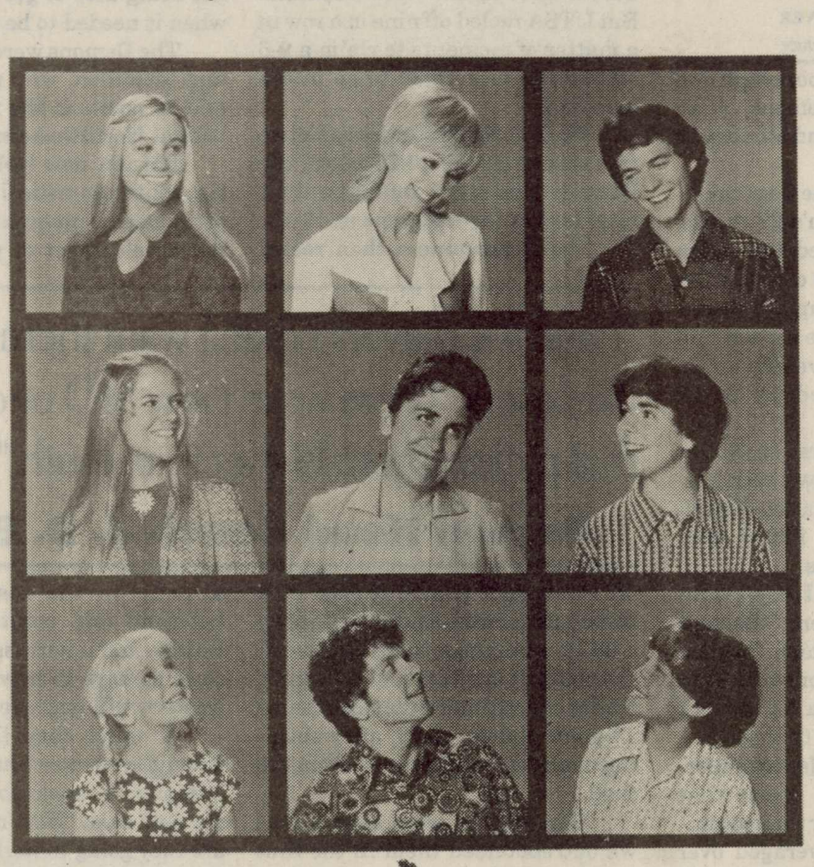
"There's something just very charming about this family, something very likable, even in all their quirkiness," she notes, smiling. "That made it even easier to do the part, that I liked the character and her family."

The film's plot is as simple as it gets.The '70s Bradys live in the 1990s. A developer's hatchet man (*Laverne and Shirley* star Michael McKean) wants to buy their house and all the other property in the area in order to build a mall; only the Brady's won't sell. Then, when Mike (Gary Cole) and Carol receive a $20,000 tax bill, the family moves into high gear in an effort to save their home. That means lots of lawns are mowed, Greg (Christopher Daniel Barnes) attempts to become a rock star á la Johnny Bravo, and the whole gang of kids team together to win the $20,000 prize offered in a talent contest.

Essentially, the film's writers have taken the best, most memorable moments from classic "Brady episodes—Jan (Jennifer Elise Cox) is jealous of the gorgeous Marcia (Christine Taylor); Marcia is gorgeous but gets smacked in the nose by an errant football; Cindy (Olivia Hack) lisps; Peter (Paul Sutera) deals with a croaking voice; Alice (Henriette Mantel) pines for Sam the butcher; Davey Jones of the Monkees plays the prom—and strung them into a seamless whole, with the blissfully unexplained Brady's-in-the-'90s-twist. Long explains that the filmmakers were careful to straddle the line between tweaking the Brady legend and mocking it.

"Betty had a good script when she started but did a page-one rewrite just to make sure that every page, every line, had that sense of a send-up with respect, a lampooning with affection," says Long, who received flowers and a good luck note from Henderson before filming began. "Betty had to have that perspective and vision very clearly in mind.

"The producers had it, and the studio had it, too. I give Paramount a lot of credit because this kind of thing really hasn't been done. This is a spin on a television show that no one has come up with before. We liked the characters and could play these people, but, at the same time, we were going to have fun with them and the whole concept of the Bradys in the '90s.



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The Brady Bunch Movie

## CELEBRITIES

Moving on, Long has been quite busy lately. Immediately after completing "Brady Bunch," she filmed yet another remake of a family favorite, this time the Jodie Foster comedy *Freaky Friday*. The ABC-TV movie, in which young Gabby Hoffman and Long swap personalities, is set to air in May. "It works very well," enthuses the actress, who tackles the role Barbara Harris played in the 1977 film. "They've updated the story, so the mother is a single working mom dealing with two children, work and her boyfriend. Melanie (*thirtysomething*) Mayron directed it."

Long also recently turned up in a very brief, winsome cameo as Diane Chambers, her "Cheers" character, in an episode of *Frasier*. She says she still loves Diane, had fun sharing the screen with Kelsey Grammar, and that it "was a nice moment "in the episode, which also featured Bebe Neuwirth as Frasier's other great love, Lilith. As for *Cheers*, to which Long returned for its landmark 1993 finale, she's sure that eventually everyone will meet again at the bar where everybody knows your name. The question is when.

"We all loved the show. It was such a great experience," concludes Long. "I don't think anyone wants to ruin the goodwill people seem to feel for it by getting together again too soon. I'm sure it'll happen someday, but not yet."

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# SportsWeek

Tuesday, March 7, 1995

# Southland title brings pride, excitement to basketball

It's finally party time for the Coach James Smith and his Northwestern Lady Demons.

The Lady Demons capped off a roller-coaster season Thursday in Monroe with a huge win over Northeast Louisiana that handed them the regular season Southland Conference championship.

Despite the fact that the Lady Demons are supported by a mere handful of the student body during the regular season (unless Stephen F. Austin is in town), this group of athletes has provided Northwestern with an outright conference championship and should be lauded and appreciated for it.

It is a given fact that men's programs such as football and basketball receive the bulk of money in athletic departments all over the nation, and for good reasons. Football programs are the main source of income for most NCAA athletic departments and should recieve their alloted proportion of the overall pie.

**David Weaver**



But it should also be pointed out that women's programs such as basketball, softball, and volleyball, while not bringing in much money at all to a school's budget, are still representatives of their respective schools and deserve the full-fledged support of their student bodies.

The Lady Demons have accomplished something this season that has never been done before in Northwestern basketball—they have ended the season as the best team in the Southland Conference. That fact alone should be a mere source of pride and joy for the the University.

But as exciting as their style is, the Lady Demons are constantly playing second-fiddle to the fortunes of the men's team, which finished the season with a respectable .500 record. The Demons have never come close to winning a men's title, yet the school's basketball fortunes seemingly rest on the shoulders of the men's program.

Perhaps the fact that no women's professional league exists contributes to the supposed boredom of NCAA women's basketball. Perhaps because most men's games are laden with crowd-pleasing dunks and alley-oops, they are considered more exciting and worth the money spent on a ticket.

But a championship is a championship. A title is still a title. The Lady Demons, regardless of whether or not their program is considered second-choice to a men's program, are the champions of the Southland Conference and have an outstanding chance to represent Northwestern in the NCAA Tournament next week on a national level.

This team has an exciting trio of grade-A superstars in Joskeen Garner, Stephanie Shaw, and Angela Simpson. These three juniors have helped push the Lady Demons into the higher echelon of teams in women's basketball. Role players such as seniors Susan Baxter and Bridgete Williams have performed above and beyond expectations as the Lady Demons roared to their fourth consecutive 20-plus win season.

As the Lady Demons bask in the afterglow of their championship, a special thank-you is order for Coach Smith and his team. They have managed to give the Northwestern community a few bragging rights in the world of college athletics.

A couple of wins in Shreveport this week could make those rights even larger.

## Talented Roadrunners sink Demons' hopes

# Up and down season ends with 89-78 loss to UTSA

David Weaver
*The Current Sauce*

In a season full of both high and low points for the Demons, it all came to a screeching end Monday in San Antonio, Texas.

Led by Player of the Year candidate Marlon Anderson's 27 points, the Roadrunners raced out to an early double-digit lead over the Demons and held off a couple of Northwestern charges in the second half to post an 89-78 win over the sixth-seeded team coached by J. D. Barnett.

Barnett, in his first season at the helm of the Northwestern basketball program, saw a lot of positives come out of his initial campaign with the Demons.

"I told the players I didn't want them to feel like losers," Barnett said after the loss, which finished the season for the Demons with a 13-14 record. "They put a lot of work and a lot of effort [into this season]. There wasn't any SID [sports information directors] or coach that picked them any higher than tenth."

Anderson, who averaged over 20 points and seven rebounds this season for the third-seeded Roadrunners, was the difference in the ballgame. After being held in check for most of the first half with only nine points, he exploded after halftime to put away the Demons with 18 in the second half.

"Anderson is virtually unstoppable," Barnett said. "We did everything we knew how to do, and I thought we did a relatively good job on him, yet I look up and he scored 27 points in 38 minutes."

Northwestern came out and immediately jumped out to a 6-0 lead on buckets by Kenny McMillon, Tarius Brown, and Seth LeGrand. But UTSA reeled off nine in a row in a matter of moments to claim a 9-6 advantage with 15:30 to go in the first half.

When J. R. Whittaker sank two free throws at the 14:26 mark, the Demons held what would be their final lead of the ballgame at 13-12.

The Roadrunners then reeled off 14 straight points, capped by a three-pointer from Anderson, to open a 26-13 advantage that Northwestern couldn't overcome. The Demons trailed at halftime by that exact same 13-point deficit, 42-29, after shooting a miserable 28 percent from the field.

"My coaches were saying that we outrebounded them in the first half and I said we did that because of all the misses," Barnett said. "That gave us a lot more opportunities."

The Demons pulled to within five on two separate occasions in the second half, the final moment coming with five minutes remaining on a three from Charlie Johnson to make the score 71-66. But Anderson scored seven points down the stretch to seal the win for UTSA, including a three-pointer at the 2:57 mark to extend the lead back to double digits for the Roadrunners at 80-69.

"I thought the kids played hard tonight," Barnett said. "We struggled offensively from the standpoint of not being able to get the ball down when it needed to be got down."

The Demons were led by Brown and McMillon, who pumped in 20 and 16 points in the final game for both at Northwestern.

Barnett now looks at the next six months as critical to the success of the Demon program and sees both the development of young players already on the roster, such as LeGrand and point guard Ryan Bundy, and a successful recruiting class as keys to how much Northwestern will improve next season.

"I think they [LeGrand and Bundy] know now what it takes to be Division I basketball players," Barnett said. "Now my question is are they going to work hard enough to be Division I basketball players. We have to now focus on our recruiting. We have to go out and find the best players that fit our situation and can put us into the top echelon [of the Southland Conference]."

The first-year veteran coach of the Demons felt that the season was memorable despite not finishing with a winning record.

"We just kind of brought a group of kids together," Barnett said. "We've had our ups and down and we've had our good times and our bad times. As far as the team is concerned, I think they've created some interest and excitement."

> "I told the players I didn't want them to feel like losers. There wasn't any SID or coach that picked them higher than tenth."
>
> **Demon Head Coach J. D. Barnett**

# Williams' 35 puts Lady Demons on the road to Hirsch Coliseum

David Weaver
*The Current Sauce*

Lady Demon senior Bridgette Williams has lived in the in the giant shadows of teammates Joskeen Garner, Stephanie Show, and Angela Simpson this season.

But it was Williams who carried the newly-crowned Southland Conference champion Lady Demons into the semifinals of the Century Cellunet Southland Conference Classic with 35 points in a 92-83 win over Northeast Louisiana Monday night in Prather Coliseum.

Williams pumped in 14 of 20 field goal attempts on the night to help Northwestern overcome a scrappy Lady Indian squad, who came into the contest as the eight and final seed of the SLC Tournament, to move on to the SLC's Final Four in Shreveport's Hirsch Coliseum Thursday.

The Lady Demons, who briefly trailed Northeast in the opening three minutes of the contest, began taking control of the out manned Lady Indians the final 15 minutes of the opening half. Williams led Northwestern to a 40-35 halftime advantage on the strength of 22 first half points.

Northwestern shot 54.3 percent from the field in the first half compared to only 41 percent for Northeast.

All-America candidate Garner ripped down a game-high 15 boards for the Lady Demons, who improved to their record to 22-5 on the season.

Northeast, led by Anita Bell's 28 points, managed to stay close to the conference champions most of the second half, drawing even at 42 with 18:30 remaining in the contest. The Lady Indians took a shot-lived one-point lead at the 15:50 mark of the half before the Lady Demons began wearing them down.

Led by Williams and Simpson, Northwestern reeled off a 15-3 run over the next three minutes to go up by 11, 61-50, with 12:27 remaining. Northeast never got any closer than seven points the rest of the way as the Lady Indians finished the season at 6-21.

Simpson chipped in 22 points and Stephanie Show 13 to help pace the Lady Demons along with the career-best effort by Williams.

Sierra Car added 15 points for Northeast.

The Lady Demons now advance to the semifinals of the tournament against McNeese, which defeated North Texas 72-67 in Lake Charles Monday. Northwestern swept both games with the Lady Cowgirls this season but barely squeaked by with a 76-74 win in Lake Charles.

SLC runner up Stephen F. Austin advanced with a win over UT-Arlington in Nacogdoches and will face Southwest Texas, a 67-60 winner over Sam Houston, in Thursday's first semifinal at 6:30 p.m. Northwestern and McNeese will cap off the semifinal round at 8:30.

The winners will meet in the championship game Saturday afternoon at 2:30, with an automatic bid to the NCAA Tournament at stake.

# Dippel among finalists for scholarship

Northwestern center John Dippel, a two-time Academic All-American, is among 20 finalists for the Annual NACDA/Disney Scholar-Athlete Postgraduate Scholarships for football.

The finalists were chosen from 58 football nominees. Fifteen additional finalists, representing all sports other than football, will be chosen in April.

Dippell, a business administration summa cum laude graduate from Sherwood, Ark., was one of 10 finalists chosen from Division I-AA, II, III, and NAIA institutions. Ten others were picked from Division I-A schools.

Dippel carried a 3.93 undergraduate grade point average and was among the university's top graduates at fall commencement exercises.

His grade point average ranks fifth among the 20 finalists on the NACDA/Disney list.

Among the other finalists named were Florida State linebacker Derrick Brooks, Florida quarterback Terry Dean, Nebraska lineman Rob Zatechka, New Mexico quarterback Stoney Case, and USC lineman Tony Boselli.

A three-year starter, Dippel was a first-team All-Southland Conference pick last fall and was named first-team GTE Academic All-America in December.

He serves as president of the university's chapter of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes and of the Chi Omega religous group. Last year, he was named Northwestern's top Scholar-Athlete.

Dippel enrolled in Northwestern's graduate school in January, pursuing a degree in sports administration.

# SportsBriefs

## Tickets on sale for Southland Conference tournament; Lady Demons play Thursday

Tickets for this week's Century Cellunet Southland Conference Basketball Classic are available at the Northwestern ticket office.

Tickets, arranged in block seating so Northwestern fans can sit together, are available for the semifinal and championship rounds in Shreveport's Hirsch Coliseum.

Only tickets purchased in Natchitoches provide block seating at Hirsch Coliseum for Northwestern fans, according to ticket manager Kirk Brechbiel.

Discounted tickets for the Shreveport games are available through Tuesday at Northwestern. They are $10 per session instead of the face value of $12. There are no student discounts or free passes for the Shreveport games.

A tournament book, covering all six games at Hirsch Coliseum, is on sale for $30.

Thursday's schedule of women's semifinals tips off at 6 p.m. with the Lady Demons targeted for the night-cap, tentatively slated for an 8 p.m. start.

Friday's men's semis also start at 6 p.m., with the second game scheduled for 8 p.m.

Saturday's championship games tip off at 2:30 p.m. with the women's finals, followed by the men's final at 5 p.m.

For additional information, call Brechbiel at 318-357-5251 during business hours.

## Demons sign top running back for next season

Steve Hardaway, one of the top prep running backs in Texas last fall, has signed a football scholarship with the Demons, according to Head Coach Sam Goodwin.

Hardaway ran for 2,192 yards and scored 32 touchdowns for Hays High School, leading the Rebels to the fourth round of the Class 4A playoffs for the first time in school history. The 6-2, 220-pounder was one of 19 running backs listed on the "Tops in Texas" list of prep seniors compiled by *The Houston Post*.

"Watching film on him was like seeing a man playing among boys," Goodwin said. "It reminded me of watching (former Demon and 1988 NFL Rookie of the Year) John Stephens play at Springhill--guys just fell off him. Obviously, we're pretty excited."

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# Basketball Boxscores

**Demons 78, Southwest Texas 73**
*Thursday, Feb. 23*
*Strahan Coliseum, San Marcos, Texas*

NORTHWESTERN (13-11, 8-8)

| | FG-A | 3Pt-A | FT-A | RBS | AST | PTS |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Tarius Brown | 7-12 | 3-3 | 6-8 | 6 | 2 | 23 |
| J.R. Whittaker | 7-9 | 5-6 | 1-2 | 4 | 1 | 20 |
| Seth LeGrand | 1-5 | 0-0 | 0-1 | 7 | 0 | 2 |
| Kenny McMillon | 3-8 | 2-5 | 3-4 | 6 | 5 | 11 |
| Charlie Johnson | 4-7 | 2-3 | 2-2 | 3 | 3 | 12 |
| Ryan Bundy | 0-2 | 0-0 | 0-1 | 2 | 5 | 0 |
| Keith Tisdell | 2-3 | 1-2 | 0-0 | 1 | 0 | 5 |
| Marquis Stafford | 0-1 | 0-1 | 1-2 | 2 | 0 | 1 |
| Darron Garner | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Chris Trailer | 1-2 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| Charles Duncan | 1-2 | 0-1 | 0-0 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| **Totals** | 26-51 | 13-20 | 13-20 | 34 | 16 | 78 |

SOUTHWEST TEXAS (12-11, 7-8)

| | FG-A | 3Pt-A | FT-A | RBS | AST | PTS |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Tony Long | 7-15 | 1-2 | 2-4 | 4 | 1 | 17 |
| Quadell Kimble | 3-7 | 0-0 | 1-2 | 10 | 0 | 7 |
| Richard Hastings | 0-4 | 0-1 | 2-2 | 3 | 1 | 2 |
| Desi Howard | 8-11 | 3-4 | 1-2 | 5 | 5 | 20 |
| Dameon Sansom | 1-3 | 1-3 | 0-0 | 1 | 3 | 3 |
| James Long | 5-8 | 0-0 | 1-2 | 1 | 4 | 11 |
| Ross Johnson | 0-1 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Jermal McCoy | 0-1 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Travis Clark | 2-5 | 0-0 | 1-1 | 6 | 1 | 5 |
| Jon Schulte | 3-7 | 0-0 | 2-5 | 5 | 1 | 8 |
| **Totals** | 30-73 | 4-14 | 10-23 | 44 | 18 | 73 |

**Turnovers**--Northwestern 17, Southwest Texas 12. **Blocked Shots**--Northwestern 3, Southwest Texas 2. **Steals**--Northwestern 3, Southwest Texas 10. **Fouled out**--None. **Halftime**--Northwestern 42, Southwest Texas 36. **Attendance**--1,979.

**UT-San Antonio 91, Demons 81**
*Saturday, Feb. 25*
*Convocation Center, San Antonio, Texas*

NORTHWESTERN (13-12, 8-9)

| | FG-A | 3Pt-A | FT-A | RBS | AST | PTS |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Tarius Brown | 6-12 | 1-4 | 8-10 | 5 | 4 | 21 |
| J.R. Whittaker | 6-13 | 2-5 | 2-4 | 7 | 2 | 16 |
| Seth LeGrand | 0-2 | 0-0 | 0-2 | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Kenny McMillon | 2-6 | 0-2 | 4-4 | 2 | 0 | 8 |
| Charlie Johnson | 2-4 | 1-3 | 4-4 | 3 | 1 | 9 |
| Ryan Bundy | 6-9 | 1-3 | 0-0 | 1 | 5 | 13 |
| Keith Tisdell | 1-3 | 1-3 | 2-2 | 2 | 1 | 5 |
| Marquis Stafford | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Darron Garner | 1-2 | 0-0 | 2-2 | 2 | 1 | 4 |
| Chris Trailer | 2-5 | 0-0 | 1-2 | 1 | 0 | 5 |
| Charles Duncan | 0-2 | 0-0 | 0-1 | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| Jermaine Jones | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| **Totals** | 26-58 | 6-22 | 23-30 | 29 | 16 | 81 |

UT-SAN ANTONIO (13-11, 10-6)

| | FG-A | 3Pt-A | FT-A | RBS | AST | PTS |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Cody Johnson | 3-7 | 0-0 | 8-10 | 12 | 2 | 14 |
| Marlon Anderson | 3-12 | 2-7 | 9-10 | 6 | 3 | 17 |
| Phillip Chime | 1-4 | 0-0 | 2-2 | 9 | 5 | 4 |
| Thaddeus Wordlaw | 5-9 | 0-1 | 3-5 | 2 | 6 | 13 |
| Sheldon Jones | 6-12 | 4-6 | 4-7 | 4 | 4 | 20 |
| Martin Whitfield | 1-1 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 4 | 2 | 2 |
| Michael Cole | 0-1 | 0-1 | 0-1 | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| Tom Oswald | 2-3 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| Darren Webber | 5-7 | 0-1 | 0-1 | 3 | 0 | 10 |
| M. Montgomery | 3-4 | 0-0 | 1-2 | 2 | 1 | 7 |
| **Totals** | 29-60 | 6-16 | 27-38 | 46 | 25 | 91 |

**Turnovers**--Northwestern 11, UTSA 12. **Blocked Shots**--Northwestern 1, UTSA 1. **Steals**--Northwestern 2, UTSA 1. **Fouled out**--Northwestern (Brown, McMillon). **Halftime**--UTSA 46, Northwestern 39. **Attendance**--1,769.

**Northeast La. 75, Demons 72**
*Thursday, March 2*
*Ewing Coliseum, Monroe*

NORTHWESTERN (13-13, 8-10)

| | FG-A | 3Pt-A | FT-A | RBS | AST | PTS |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Tarius Brown | 10-18 | 0-0 | 4-4 | 5 | 1 | 24 |
| J.R. Whittaker | 7-15 | 5-7 | 6-6 | 1 | 0 | 25 |
| Seth LeGrand | 0-1 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Kenny McMillon | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Ryan Bundy | 0-2 | 0-0 | 2-3 | 3 | 3 | 2 |
| Keith Tisdell | 2-4 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 4 | 0 | 4 |
| Charlie Johnson | 4-5 | 1-2 | 1-2 | 4 | 0 | 10 |
| Darron Garner | 0-1 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Chris Trailer | 3-5 | 0-0 | 1-2 | 3 | 1 | 7 |
| Charles Duncan | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| **Totals** | 26-58 | 6-22 | 23-30 | 29 | 16 | 84 |

NORTHEAST LA. (12-17, 11-7)

| | FG-A | 3Pt-A | FT-A | RBS | AST | PTS |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Horace Lee | 4-11 | 0-0 | 4-6 | 11 | 2 | 12 |
| Paul Marshall | 0-4 | 0-1 | 0-0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Alvin Edwards | 3-7 | 0-0 | 3-4 | 6 | 0 | 9 |
| Larry Carr | 7-9 | 5-6 | 2-3 | 3 | 3 | 21 |
| Alex Richardson | 3-5 | 0-1 | 6-6 | 4 | 4 | 12 |
| Ted Guilbeaux | 3-5 | 2-3 | 1-2 | 0 | 2 | 9 |
| Vince Taylor | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Charles Williams | 2-2 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| Terrance Braggs | 4-6 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 2 | 0 | 8 |
| Dennis Newton | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| **Totals** | 26-49 | 7-11 | 16-21 | 30 | 13 | 75 |

**Turnovers**--Northwestern 12, Northeast 17. **Blocked Shots**--Northwestern 1, Northeast 3. **Steals**--Northwestern 7, Northeast 8. **Fouled out**--None. **Halftime**--Northwestern 35, Northeast 35. **Attendance**--3,528.

**Lady Demons 92, Prairie View A&M 81**
*Tuesday, Feb. 28*
*Prather Coliseum*

PRAIRIE VIEW A&M (2-24)

| | FG-A | 3Pt-A | FT-A | RBS | AST | PTS |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Latoya Davis | 2-8 | 0-0 | 0-4 | 7 | 6 | 4 |
| Christina Dixon | 9-27 | 4-11 | 7-10 | 5 | 2 | 29 |
| Kecia Lang | 1-11 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 7 | 2 | 2 |
| Ursula Bates | 1-4 | 0-0 | 1-2 | 3 | 1 | 3 |
| Elizabeth Bryant | 5-14 | 1-2 | 6-8 | 7 | 1 | 17 |
| Maria Perkins | 1-1 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| R. Turnerhill | 2-2 | 0-0 | 2-5 | 3 | 0 | 4 |
| **Totals** | 21-67 | 5-13 | 16-29 | 37 | 12 | 81 |

NORTHWESTERN (20-5)

| | FG-A | 3Pt-A | FT-A | RBS | AST | PTS |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Joskeen Garner | 0-3 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 5 | 0 | 0 |
| Bridgete Williams | 5-8 | 0-1 | 3-4 | 4 | 2 | 13 |
| Susan Baxter | 5-6 | 0-0 | 0-1 | 3 | 0 | 10 |
| Missi Hardy | 3-10 | 0-2 | 0-0 | 6 | 16 | 6 |
| Angela Simpson | 1-5 | 0-0 | 3-3 | 1 | 2 | 5 |
| Nicole Lacy | 6-7 | 0-0 | 2-2 | 7 | 0 | 14 |
| Amanda Cooper | 2-3 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 1 | 1 | 4 |
| Kim Kahl | 4-9 | 0-0 | 2-4 | 6 | 2 | 10 |
| Cynthia Brown | 3-5 | 0-0 | 4-5 | 9 | 2 | 10 |
| Alison Norman | 1-8 | 0-0 | 2-4 | 5 | 5 | 4 |
| Shirlynda Williams | 1-3 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 1 | 2 | 2 |
| Stephanie Williams | 6-8 | 0-0 | 2-3 | 7 | 0 | 14 |
| **Totals** | 26-49 | 7-11 | 16-21 | 30 | 13 | 81 |

**Turnovers**--Prairie View 20, Northwestern 1. **Blocked Shots**--Prairie View 1, Northwestern 4. **Steals**--Prairie View 12, Northwestern 12. **Fouled out**--Prairie View 1 (Bryant). **Halftime**--Northwestern 43, Prairie View 23. **Attendance**--1,

**Lady Demons 93, Northeast La. 69**
*Thursday, March 2*
*Ewing Coliseum, Monroe*

NORTHWESTERN (21-5, 16-2)

| | FG-A | 3Pt-A | FT-A | RBS | AST | PTS |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Joskeen Garner | 11-18 | 0-1 | 0-1 | 15 | 5 | 22 |
| Bridgete Williams | 5-13 | 0-0 | 2-3 | 11 | 0 | 12 |
| Susan Baxter | 1-3 | 0-0 | 3-4 | 0 | 0 | 5 |
| Stephanie Shaw | 7-17 | 1-3 | 0-2 | 3 | 4 | 15 |
| Angela Simpson | 5-11 | 2-3 | 8-10 | 8 | 1 | 20 |
| Nicole Lacy | 1-2 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Missi Hardy | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Amanda Cooper | 2-5 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| Kim Kahl | 3-4 | 0-0 | 7-9 | 4 | 0 | 13 |
| Cynthia Brown | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Alison Norman | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Sh. Williams | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| **Totals** | 35-73 | 3-7 | 20-29 | 49 | 10 | 93 |

NORTHEAST LA. ( 6-20, 6-12)

| | FG-A | 3Pt-A | FT-A | RBS | AST | PTS |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Markita Jennings | 8-15 | 4-7 | 2-3 | 7 | 2 | 22 |
| Tierra Carr | 1-5 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 3 | 2 | 2 |
| Angela Branch | 3-9 | 2-7 | 1-2 | 8 | 2 | 8 |
| Anita Bell | 4-12 | 0-0 | 3-8 | 6 | 0 | 11 |
| Scharlotte Jordan | 6-10 | 0-0 | 0-1 | 5 | 1 | 12 |
| Nikki Lane | 1-1 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 1 | 2 |
| Jameeka Williams | 0-0 | 0-0 | 1-2 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Andrea Kearney | 0-3 | 0-0 | 2-2 | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| Stefany Hauter | 4-7 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 2 | 0 | 8 |
| **Totals** | 27-62 | 6-14 | 9-18 | 38 | 9 | 69 |

**Turnovers**-Northwestern 19, Northeast 26. **Blocked Shots**-Northwestern 0, Northeast 2. **Steals**--Northwestern 7, Northeast 11. **Fouled out**--Northeast 1 (Hauter). **Halftime**--Northwestern 42, Northeast 32. **Attendance**--1,082.

**Lady Demons 92, Northeast La. 83**
*Monday, Prather Coliseum*
*SLC Postseason Classic First Round*

NORTHEAST LA. (6-21)

| | FG-A | 3Pt-A | FT-A | RBS | AST | PTS |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Markita Jennings | 4-16 | 0-3 | 0-0 | 5 | 3 | 8 |
| Tierra Carr | 6-9 | 0-0 | 3-6 | 8 | 3 | 15 |
| Angela Branch | 2-12 | 2-9 | 1-2 | 5 | 3 | 7 |
| Anita Bell | 11-16 | 2-2 | 5-6 | 6 | 0 | 30 |
| Scharlotte Jordan | 4-7 | 0-0 | 2-2 | 5 | 0 | 10 |
| Nikki Lane | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Andrea Kearney | 4-12 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 9 | 3 | 8 |
| Stefany Hauter | 2-4 | 0-0 | 2-5 | 4 | 0 | 6 |
| **Totals** | 33-76 | 4-14 | 13-21 | 47 | 13 | 83 |

NORTHWESTERN (22-5)

| | FG-A | 3Pt-A | FT-A | RBS | AST | PTS |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Joskeen Garner | 3-10 | 0-0 | 1-5 | 15 | 7 | 7 |
| Bridgete Williams | 14-20 | 0-0 | 7-11 | 6 | 2 | 35 |
| Susan Baxter | 0-2 | 0-0 | 0-1 | 2 | 2 | 0 |
| Stephanie Shaw | 4-10 | 0-0 | 5-6 | 3 | 9 | 13 |
| Angela Simpson | 9-12 | 1-2 | 3-5 | 5 | 2 | 22 |
| Nicole Lacy | 4-8 | 0-0 | 0-3 | 8 | 0 | 8 |
| Amanda Cooper | 1-2 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| Kim Kahl | 0-2 | 0-0 | 1-1 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Sh. Williams | 2-2 | 0-0 | 0-1 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| **Totals** | 37-68 | 1-2 | 17-33 | 48 | 22 | 92 |

**Turnovers**-Northeast 21, Northwestern 22. **Blocked shots**-Northeast 0, Northwestern 3. **Steals**--Northeast 9, Northwestern 13. **Fouled out**--Northeast 2 (Jennings, Jones). **Halftime**-Northwestern 40, Northeast 35. **Attendance**--1,641.

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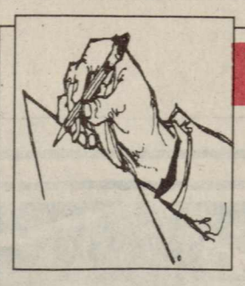
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Loss to Stephen F. Austin keeps Lady Demons from NCAA Tournament



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Students can help shape their futures by getting involved in politics


# CurrentSauce

Tuesday, March 14, 1995 — Northwestern State University — Natchitoches, Louisiana




# New doctorate program formed in ED Tech

Northwestern received approval from the Board of Trustees for State Colleges and Universities and the Louisiana Board of Regents for Higher Education to establish a doctoral program in educational technology.

Designed to prepare educators in the planning and development of technology systems and resources to enhance instruction and research, the 60-hour doctoral program will require students to spend three semesters in residence at the University.

Dr. Sue Weaver, director of the Division of Education, said plans call for the program to include 24 hours of technology systems courses, 18 hours in management and 18 hours of research and evaluation. Full-time participants should complete course work in two academic years and three summers.



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Weaver, who called the program "one of the most exciting and innovative doctoral offerings in Louisiana and the region," said Northwestern is uniquely prepared to provide the doctorate level courses "because of the school's rich tradition in education and its leadership role in such future technology as distance learning through telecommunications and computerized courses."

Northwestern has extensive computer and telecommunications facilities, and its programs in educational technology were recently cited for excellence by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education.

> It's "one of the most exciting and innovative doctoral offerings in Louisiana and the region."
>
> **Dr. Sue Weaver, director of the division of education**

Weaver said the new doctoral program has been developed for elementary and secondary educators, administrators and supervisors in school systems, higher education administrators and staff, adult and

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# Gubernatorial candidate speaks on higher education

DAWN O'BRIEN
*Current Sauce*

Higher Education was Quentin Dastugue's focus Tuesday as he spoke with Northwestern's College Republicans.

Dastugue is one of the Republican party's gubernatorial candidates for the upcoming gubernatorial election in the fall.

Dastugue expressed several views on issues ranging from higher education to saving money for better quality programs in the state. He explained what he would do as governor and added how excited he was about the election.

Dastugue says that he does support higher education and discussed his plans for it, such as getting rid of the duplication of college programs in the state. For example, he said that below Interstate 10 there are five universities that offer a civil engineering degree and that there should only be one or two universities to offer it.

"We need to concentrate on quality, not quantity." he said.

Dastugue also said that if resources were put into one program, instead of five, that better quality equipment could be bought and better quality professors could be hired and paid more. Certain regional considerations would have to be made, but Dastugue says that it can be done in the type of system that Louisiana has.

That is just one of Dastugue's plans to better education in Louisiana. He also has other agendas such as cutting anywhere from $900 million to $1 billion dollars in spending and using that money to reduce taxes and spend more on higher education.

Dastugue says that he will follow through on his plans once he is in office, but he needs the help of the voters to get there.

Dastugue has been in the news lately because of his 400 hundred mile trek across the state that started in Shreveport with a huge press conference and extensive media coverage . Dastugue plans to be in Jefferson Parish by July 15.

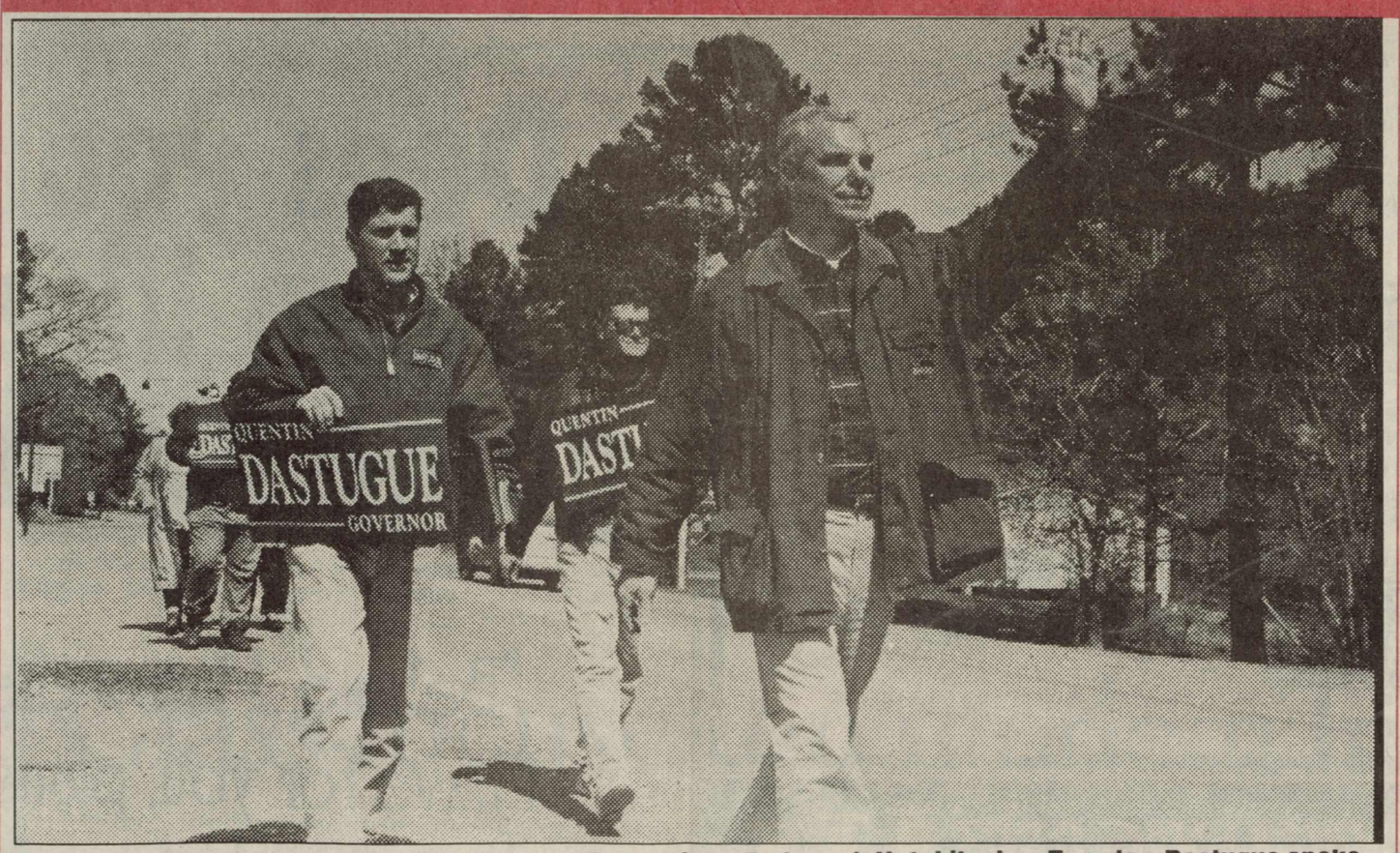
Along the way, Dastugue walked through Natchitoches Tuesday on Washington and Front Street.

His stop at the University is only one part of what Dastugue is doing along the walk to make his name a "household one."

He's knocking on doors and talking to everyone who will listen. According to Dastugue, it doesn't matter how big or small the crowd is.

"If we run into two people, we stop and talk to them." Dastugue said. "This is what we call retail politics.There's really only one way to change Louisiana." he said. "It's got to be from the governor's office."

## Walk-A-Thon




**Gubernatorial candidate Quentin Dastugue continues his walk through Natchitoches Tuesday. Dastugue spoke at Northwestern to the Young Republicans earlier that day on higher education and other issues.** PHOTO BY JONATHON WALLACE

## World Report

### CAMPUS

**CORRECTION:** In last week's paper, the enlarged quote on the new loan program story was written wrong. It was supposed to read: "We are *not* advising students to join if they already have loans." We apologize for any inconveniences this might have caused.

**NEW BIBLIOGRAPHIC INSTRUCTION CENTER FORMED AT LIBRARY:** On Wednesday, the new Bibliographic Instruction Center will be open in the Watson Library. The center is located adjacent to the Reference Department. The Center features Research Assistant, an interactive computer program designed to teach research skills. The program guides the student through the steps required to complete a research paper, from choosing a topic to assembling the final paper.

**NEUROLOGY PROFESSOR TO SPEAK AT SCHOLARS' COLLEGE:** Dr. Harold Klawans, a professor of neurological sciences and pharmacology at Rush University will speak at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in Rm. 203 Kyser Hall. Klawans is an authority on Parkinson's disease and an author of several works of fiction.

### CITY

**PUBLIC FORUM FOR SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT SET:** The public can meet the candidates for the Natchitoches school superintendent at 6 p.m. Tuesday. The forum will meet in the Central Office board chambers of the school board office. Parish residents will have the opportunity to ask questions of the eight candidates.

### STATE

**GRAMBLING SPORTS DIRECTOR FOUND IN LOS VEGAS:** After two weeks of disappearance, Grambling State University's sports director Stanley Lewis told his mother Friday he was in Las Vegas. He gave no reasons why he left without saying anything. Stanley has still not contacted the university on whether he plans to return or not.

### NATION

**UW STUDENTS TURNING 21 CAN EXPECT MAIL:** University of Wisconsin–Eau Claire students who are turning 21 can expect a birthday card from the university. But the cards contain more than the obligatory congratulations and well-wishes. It also reminds students to drink responsibly. Last December, UW junior Marc Dybdahl drank himself to death on his 21st birthday. UW's Office of the Associate Dean of Students will begin sending out the cards this month, hoping to reach students shortly before they head to the bars to celebrate their 21st birthday.

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# SGA sponsors political speakers

## Governor Buddy Roemer and Sen. Mike Foster to speak

AMY WISDOM
*Current Sauce*

Former governor Buddy Roemer will be the first political guest speaker in a series of lectures sponsored by the Student Government Association leading to the gubernatorial elections.

Roemer, who has announced his candidacy for governor in the election, will speak at 10 a.m. March 23, in the Ballroom.

Jason Meche of the SGA Free Speech Committee said the SGA hopes to arouse interest among students in the statewide elections.

"This election is important," Meche said. "Higher education faces cutbacks, and we have a health care crisis.

"This is an excellent opportunity for students to get first hand information on the issues facing our state."

Meche explained that Medicaid spending in Louisiana has increased, while federal funding for the program, and other forms of welfare, is being cut. To compensate for the loss of federal funds, legislatures may decrease the money allocated to state universities and colleges.

Meche said that funding for higher education is not guaranteed by the state constitution, therefore it is easily reduced.

"Lower state funding to universities would result in higher tuition costs for students," Meche said. "The effects are long reaching.

"Higher tuition could lead to a snowball effect. Some students may not be able to afford college; they look for work; and in the end, unemployment goes up and the state economy is weakened."

That is how Meche sees this gubernatorial election impacting Northwestern students. But, he said, the lecturers also have insight to the unique politics of our state.

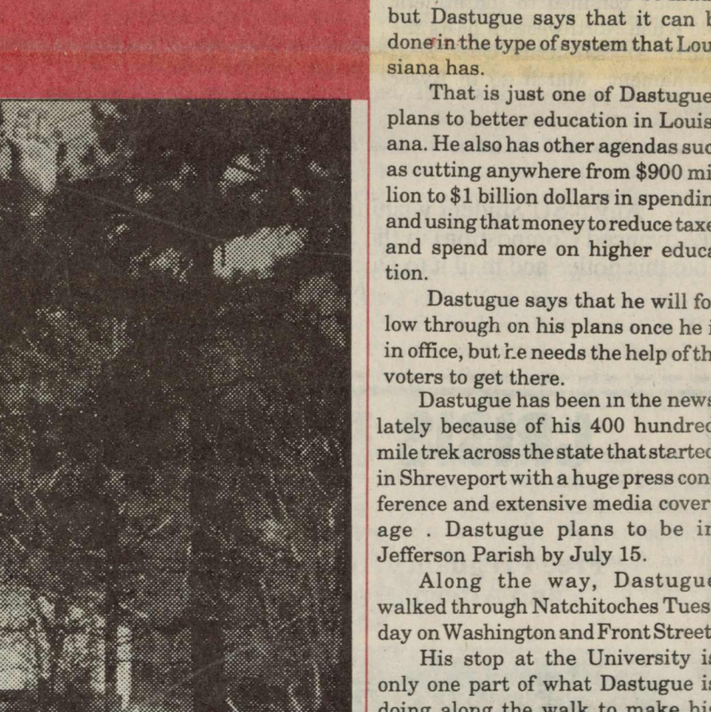
"Even those people who don't know about the health care crisis and higher education problems know how interesting Louisiana politics can be. Our guest speakers are all knowledgable in the state of affairs in Louisiana."

According to Meche, learning the issues of the election and tales of our colorful political history is important, but the first step is of involvement is to register to vote.

Isabella LaCour, Natchitoches Parish Chief Deputy of Voters, said it is a simple process. Voter registration cards may be picked up at the Clerk of Court's office on Church Street.

"All you need is proof of age and address," LaCour said. "Students can bring their student I.D. and driver's license, or anything that shows they

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# News Briefs



## Preservation Center to hold course on graves protection act

A training course on the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act will be held in Natchitoches Thursday through Saturday.

The course is sponsored by the National Center for Preservation Technology and Training at Northwestern and will be held at the Holiday Inn on the Hwy. 1 Bypass. The cost of the course is $350.

The act impacts federal land managers, tribal and museum officials as well as any agency that holds a collection and receives federal funds. Time limits imposed for compliance with the act have created an immediate need for working knowledge of the law.

The course will include lectures, case studies and participant involvement in discussions. It is designed to help those affected by the law to comply with its provisions. An emphasis will be placed on developing an understanding and recognition of potential problem areas in order to allow for planning and avoid court intervention.

Instructors will discuss practical methods of compiling summaries and inventories as well as consultation methods for tribes and institutions.

Course instructors will be Judge Sherry Hutt of the Maricopa County Superior Court in Phoenix and Timothy McKeown of the Archeological Assistance Division of the National Park Service.

For more information on the workshop, contact NCPTT Training Coordinator Frances Gale 357-6464.

## Northwestern to host Quiz bowl tournament

Some of Louisiana's top minds will prove that top flight competition isn't confined to the athletic field when Northwestern hosts the Fourth Annual State Quiz Bowl Tournament March 25 in Kyser Hall.



**Pete Jensen performs a magic trick with a student Thursday night in the Alley. The Student Government Association sponsored the event along with *A Night At the Races* also held that night.**

PHOTO BY JONATHON WALLACE

The tournament is sponsored by the Louisiana Association for Academic Competition.Thirty-two high schools from around the state qualified for the state tournament in four divisions based on enrollment.

The LAAC was formed six years ago to provide statewide academic competition.With help from the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education, the State Department of Education, corporate sponsor Josten's and interested parents and teachers, the competition has spread throughout the state.

Other sponsors for the State Quiz Bowl Tournament are the First National Bank of Lake Charles which will award silver dollars to the championship team and J & J Vending of Shreveport which is providing refreshments.

The quiz questions are formulated to test knowledge a high school student could be exposed to in grades nine through 12 in all academic areas including but not limited to math, science, social studies, languages and the arts.

Championships will be determined in each division, then the four winners will compete for the overall state championship. The state champion will compete in the national championship tournament in Orlando, Fla. Last year, the Louisiana School for Math, Science and the Arts won the state championship.

Orientation will be held at 8 a.m. with competition starting at 8:30 a.m. The semifinals begin at 1:25 p.m. The finals begin at 3:30 p.m. All competition is open to the public.

## UC-Berkeley Minority Students Receive Hate Mail

Fourteen minority students at the University of California at Berkeley recently found racist fliers in their mailboxes, marking the second time since December that African American and Hispanic students have been harassed because of their race

Minority students enrolled in the Boalt Hall School of Law received the fliers, which were filled with racial slurs and attacks on the school's affirmative action admissions policies.

"Rejoice you crybaby niggers, it's affirmative action month. A town hall meeting will not save you, the wetbacks or the chinks," stated the anonymous messenger. "Your failures are hereditary and can't be corrected by these liberals.

"Look around Boalt Hall. Besides the few hand-picked affirmative action professors this is a quality law school. When I see you in class it bugs the hell out of me because your (sic) taking the seat of someone qualified. You belong at Coolie High Law don't you forget."

More than 500 Berkeley students showed their support for the minority law students by participating in a campus protest against the fliers a few days after the incident.

"Students of color do not have to justify their presence here," Josefina Alvarado, a second-year Hispanic law student, during the rally said. "We have worked too hard to be called niggers, wetbacks and chinks."

Officials at Berkeley are concerned that the person responsible for the fliers may somehow be attached to the university, since the material was sent to students whose mailboxes are coded according to who receives minority law journals. At the protest, Tien told students that the perpetrator would face swift discipline if caught.

Last December, the same students received a flier containing a picture of a monkey and the statement, "Affirmative action sucks." The flier also included an article about the resignation of Surgeon General Joycelyn Elders.

## New scholarship offered

Patterson Insurance Company has established The Patterson Insurance Scholarship at Northwestern.

Recipients of the scholarship will be known as Patterson Scholars. The Patterson Insurance Scholarship will be $1,000 annually with $500 awarded in the fall and spring semesters.

Patterson Scholars will be selected from students who are recommended by property and casualty agents that do business with Patterson Insurance Company. Children of agency principals and employees will be given top priority in the process.

A scholarship committee at NSU will select one recipient each year from current and prospective Northwestern students. Applicants will be judged according to merit based on grade point average, ACT or SAT scores, character, and involvement in extracurricular activities.

A grade point average of at least 2.5 is required to maintain the scholarship. Recipients must be full-time students. Applications for 1995 will be taken until May 1. In subsequent years, applications will be taken between Oct. 1 and Dec. 15.

For more information on the Patterson Insurance Scholarship, contact your local insurance agent or the NSU Foundation at 357-4414.


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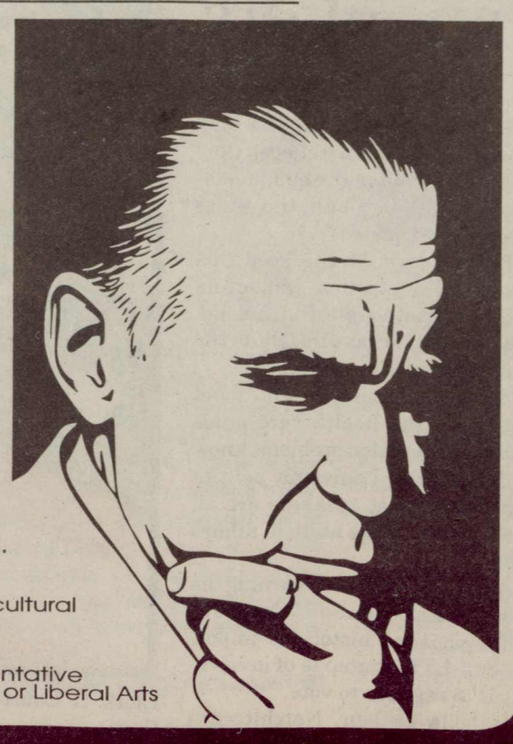
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## *Argus* editor deals with censorship, diversity

# *Staff produces literary magazine, conducts poetry readings*

BRIDGETTE M. MORVANT
*Current Sauce*

Amy Daldry would like to set the record straight. As this year's editor of *Argus*, the student literary magazine, Daldry has dealt with many issues including censorship and staff diversity.



**Daldry**

"Well, we're having a lot of problems with censorship right now," Daldry said. According to Daldry, some staff members are worried that the magazine's funding will be pulled if material is not censored and others believe the funding will be pulled if the book is censored. "We're in a catch-22 right now."

As the editor of the *Argus*, she chooses the majority of what is printed in the magazine. According to her, each editor individually chooses what goes into his or her publication, a process which is not necessarily censorship, but editorship.

Daldry has also struggled to promote diversity among the *Argus* staff and among the students submitting work. She said that she hoped to get more submissions from culturally diverse and non-traditional students, but that most of the entries were from students in the Scholars' College and Department of Language and Communications.

Daldry had hoped for similar diversity on the *Argus* staff. There is still a misconception that *Argus* is a Scholars' organization, she said. *Argus* meetings are held at 5:30 p.m. every Wednesday at the SGA office. All students and invited and encouraged to attend.

Daldry has also looked for diversity in *Argus*' activities this year. In addition to working on the publication, this year's *Argus* staff has also conducted two poetry readings, both at Boozman dormitory. One reading took place last semester and the more recent was on Valentine's Day. *Argus* staff members served refreshments and invited all students to present their works of fiction, art and poetry.

Daldry is very pleased with the success of the readings and hopes to conduct another one this semester, perhaps with a local professional artist acting as guest speaker. Daldry noted that students need not enter their work to *Argus* to participate in the poetry readings, but encourages students from all backgrounds to get involved with the publication.

> "*Argus* is funded by all students so they all have the right to add to and help with the publication."
>
> **Amy Daldry**

"*Argus* is funded by all students so they all have the right to add to and help with the publication," Daldry said.

Most of the work for this year's publication is done, although, according to Daldry, the process has been difficult because so many of her staff members have heavy curriculums. Currently, the book is in the layout process. Daldry said that students in the art department helped design the layout to give the book a professional look. She also noted that no computer-generated art has been used in this year's book, except for borders.

Students can look for issues of *Argus* in late April or early May, right before finals, according to Daldry. The literary magazine will be distributed in the Student Union Lobby, outside of Vic's and possibly in Iberville Dining Hall, according to Daldry.

Content in this year's book will be traditional *Argus* fare. All 28 winners of *Argus* contests in the categories of art, poetry, fiction and non-fiction will be printed.

Contest winners for the fall *Argus* contest have already been notified and winners in the spring contest will be notified shortly. The majority, of the works in the book are entries which did not win awards but were picked by the editor.

## FAVORITE TEACHER CONTEST

Do you have a favorite instructor here at Northwestern — someone who has made your college experience more fulfilling? The *Current Sauce* would like to provide you with a chance to reward your favorite teacher for his or her educational expertise.

To do this, we are instituting a Favorite Teacher Contest. Students may enter the name of their favorite instructor. The teacher with the most entries will be featured by the *Current Sauce* in the March 28 issue.

To enter your favorite teacher, please cut out and bring this ballot to Rm. 225 Kyser Hall. Deadline for entries is March 21.

**FAVORITE TEACHER CONTEST**

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Student's phone number_____



**These buildings are some of the many structures in the authentically restored Ft. St. Jean Baptiste, on Mill Street, open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. seven days a week. Admission is $2.**

PHOTO BY BRIDGETTE M. MORVANT

# Ft. St. Jean Baptiste

## *Historical replica offers weekend entertainment, volunteer opportunities*

BRIDGETTE M. MORVANT
*Current Sauce*

Students interested in exploring historical sites in Natchitoches would be well advised to begin at the beginning. As it happens, the beginning of Natchitoches was Fort Saint Jean Baptiste and a full scale replica of the second fort is open to visitors seven days a week from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. with a $2 admission fee.

This weekend, interested students can witness a Living History Encampment at the fort and watch costumed park staff and volunteers demonstrate activities of everyday colonial Louisiana life such as cooking, craft-making and musket-firing.

Visitors to the Ft. St. Jean Baptiste State Commemorative Area, which is run by the Office of State Parks and the Louisiana Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism, can see special programs like the Living History Encampment each month at the fort. Other programs include craft demonstrations, school day programs and special celebrations of 18th Century holidays.

The original settlement founded in 1714 in Natchitoches by Louis Juchereau de St. Denis was simply a couple of log cabins manned by a few French Canadians. In 1716, Sieur Charles Claude Dutisne came to Natchitoches to build and man an outpost to prevent the Spanish in Texas from encroaching on French Louisiana. This was Ft. St. Jean Baptiste.

The current replica of the fort was constructed from detailed drawings made by Ignace Francois Broutin, who in 1732 strengthened the fort and added the barracks, warehouse and warehouse keeper's house.

In 1762, Louisiana became a Spanish colony through the Treaty of Fountainbleu. Because both Texas and Louisiana were Spanish, the fort was used only as a trading post and communication link, and thus fell into disrepair. When the United States bought Louisiana in 1803, the fort was so deteriorated that the Americans chose to abandon it and build Fort Claiborne nearby.

The modern replica of the fort is built from Broutin's plans and archival research begun in 1979. The present fort is located about a hundred yards south of the original fort which was located approximately at the American Cemetery Hill.

The fort was dedicated in 1981, as part of a commemoration of the establishment of Natchitoches in 1712 as the oldest settlement in the Louisiana Purchase. The state gained additional acreage for the park in 1992.

The structures include the church, the commandant's house, a powder magazine, a warehouse, barracks, a guardhouse, the warehouse keeper's house, kitchen and servant lodging, and a bread oven. Most of the buildings within the fort are constructed of posts in the ground, enclosed with stakes and mud. The roofs are made of bark or thatch.

Every weekend visitors can tour the fort and meet costumed guides, dressed as French marines or colonists who discuss the facts of the day-to-day lives of the early colonists.

Students interested in volunteering their time at the fort this summer should contact the Ft. St. Jean Baptiste staff at 357-3101. Positions are available in living history/historical interpretation, research/ fort studies, special events and fort/curatorial assistance.

These volunteer services make excellent work experience, especially for students who are studying history or are interested in working for a state park. No prerequisites are required to volunteer, although an interest in Natchitoches and its colonial period are helpful.

## WHAT TO DO IN NATCHITOCHES

## HOLIDAY HISTORY

Friday, many Americans, some Irish descent and some not, will celebrate the feast of Saint Patrick (March 17), the patron saint of Ireland, by wearing some sort of green clothing or a shamrock.

St. Patrick lived from 389 to 461. He was born in Roman Britain and sold into slavery in Ireland at the age of 16. Six years later he escaped to the Continent. He studied became an ordained priest; his goal was to convert the Irish to Christianity. Finally in 431, Pope Celestine I ordained Patrick bishop if Ireland and he set out there.

Through his efforts, Christianity gained tolerance in Ireland. Patrick also converted some members of the Irish royalty, devleoped a native clergy, established monastaries and dioceses, and held church councils. To this day Catholisism is the main religion in the Republic of Ireland.

In the United States, many Irish Americans conduct parades and festivals to commemorate St. Patrick's Day. In New Orleans, for example, Irish American citizens hold a parade and drink green beer.

# Class focuses on modern Irish text

BRIDGETTE M. MORVANT
*Current Sauce*

Students in Dr. Ray Wallace's new class, modern Irish voices: studies in contemporary Irish writers (English 3850/5350 45N 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesdays) are learning that there's more to Irish literature than Yeats, Joyce, Wilde and Beckett.



**Wallace**

According to the class syllabus, "Instead, this course offers those enrolled an opportunity to explore the very latest, award-winning, Irish writers . . . ." The main texts "offer insight into the current generation of Irish writers; a country (or two) renowned for its literary successes and textual experimentation."

"There's some really fine work [in this class]," Wallace said. All of the works have been published within the past two or three decades, some as recently as 1992 or 1994, according to Wallace. Some of the books have been made into movies and Wallace said that the authors are people who come from North and South Ireland, are Catholic or Protestant or are confused by both. Much of the material also deals with the lives of Irish women.

Wallace also likes the fact that this course gives American students the chance to study an English-speaking culture that's very different from their own. However, while the authors write about traditional Irish subjects, the works often evoke more universal themes. For example, Wallace said that one work studied in the class, Banville's *The Book of Evidence*, which won many awards throughout Europe, has definite similarities to *Crime and Punishment*, a book written by a Russian about 100 years ago.

According to Wallace, some of the students enrolled in the course are pro-Irish or have some background in Irish history while other students had little or no prior knowledge of the subject. Wallace said that this is good because different students pick up on different aspects of the literature. The seminar course, which covers both political sides of Irish issues, also provides a forum for much debate, free-talking and competition, according to Wallace. "We have a lively debate because we don't always agree," he said.

The students taking the course are, themselves, a diverse group. Fifteen students, mainly graduate students or undergraduates from Scholars' College or the Department of Language and Communications, take the course on the Natchitoches campus and four students (from New York, New Jersey, El Salvador and China) are taking the course through correspondence as part of Northwestern's Intensive Summer Graduate Program.

Wallace, himself, was born and raised in Belfast ("Northern Ireland or not") and completed a master's degree in North Irish political drama and has presented work on that subject. Wallace is the director of the Louisiana Scholars' College and a former head of the Department of Language and Communications. A lover of modern Irish literature, Wallace believes the works studied in this course are the next wave in classic literature and the authors are at the forefront of their craft.

Wallace noted that this may be the first time these works have been studied in a class because they are so new. For students who missed the chance to take the class this semester, he said the class may be offered once a year or every year and a half as well as possible classes in Irish poetry and drama or Irish music. Wallace also said that other classes centering on the literature of specific countries may be offered in the future as Scholars' College and language and communications mover towards more multicultural studies. However, such classes should not take the place of traditional classes in British and American literature, but supplement it, according to Wallace and he encourages interested students to take one of the world literature course currently offered at Northwestern.

# CurrentOpinion



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**Our**View

# POLITIKIN'

## Next two years offer you the chance to take control of your world

There's no doubt about it: the mid-nineties are going to go down in the history books as a period where the United States, and the world, underwent the beginning of some major changes.

Four months after the Republican takeover of congress, the *Contract With America* is still the major topic of conversation. Closer to home, Louisiana's infamous gubernatorial elections take place this year and while neither Duke nor Edwards plans to run at this point, the candidate list is already filling up with some very interesting characters.

Being in the middle of this phenomenon—knowing that things are going to be different and yet not knowing exactly *how* different—is both exciting and unnerving. One question we must ask ourselves now is whether we intend to watch as the change takes us with it or whether we plan to change the direction of the flow to reflect our beliefs.

There are a lot of things you can voice your opinion about in 1995-96: SGA president, Louisiana governor, United States President, the new M&M color. Which is the most important is for you to decide, but it is important that we exercise our right to choose.

> "There are a lot of things you can voice your opinion about in 1995-96: SGA president, Louisiana governor, United States president, the new M&M color."

Over the next year, we will see political campaigns unlike any we have seen in our lives. The Democrats will be fighting for their political lives while the Republicans will be trying to reshape the political landscape in their image.

A good bit of this campaigning on the state level will be done at Northwestern. Various campus groups including the SGA are trying to get candidates for governor to come and speak to students about issues that affect them.

While we won't even try to tell students the way they should vote (that's what we have columnists for), we do urge them to take advantage of this opportunity and investigate the candidates. Research their backgrounds and ask them questions about things that are important to you. Then make an effort to get who you think is the responsible choice elected.

The *Current Sauce* will be doing its part in this effort with candidate profiles and updates on speaker dates. But it's up to the individual student to make the effort to go to the rallies—for every candidate—and hear what they have to say.

If you don't know what to ask, talk amongst yourselves. In other words, get opinions from others students. In the meantime, here's a subject: Cuts to higher education. In the rush to balance budgets, colleges and universities are always the first to get the shaft. The result? Universities have to resort to programs like campus beautification to bring in additional revenue. This is serious folks.

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# Tabloids offer useful information for weak-minded

## Information in 'rags' could be dangerous in wrong hands



**Andrew**Martin

The Bottom Line

Did you know that there is a World War II B-17 bomber on the surface of the moon? There is and I know its true because the supermarket tabloids have pictures of it.

In case you haven't guessed, this is a piece dealing with those rags that adorn the checkout registers of the United States and the mentally challenged dolts who enjoy and believe them.

I was standing in line in the Wal-Mart Supercenter a couple of days ago when I noticed one of the tabloids with a headline that read "Devil's curse turns girl into werewolf...husband takes detailed photos of transformation process." This was accompanied by a huge picture of some girl (probably a staffer at the tabloid) done up in werewolf makeup that looked like my 5-year-old cousin could have applied better. She even had on those cheap, plastic witch fingernails that you can buy around Halloween.

It was embarrassing. Don't get me wrong, It didn't embarrass me, I get a kick out of reading them in the checkout line because they are funny as hell. I was embarrassed for the people who are so incredibly gullible that they could believe this kind of crap.

You know people have to believe it because if no one did then no one would buy them and the tabloids wouldn't be in business. I'm not sure whether to laugh at the sorry clods who read this trash or to feel sorry for them.

I can just hear these peoples conversations taking place in double wide trailers all over the United States right now.

"Oh my lawd! Bubba, did you know that one of them guys running for president is an alien?"

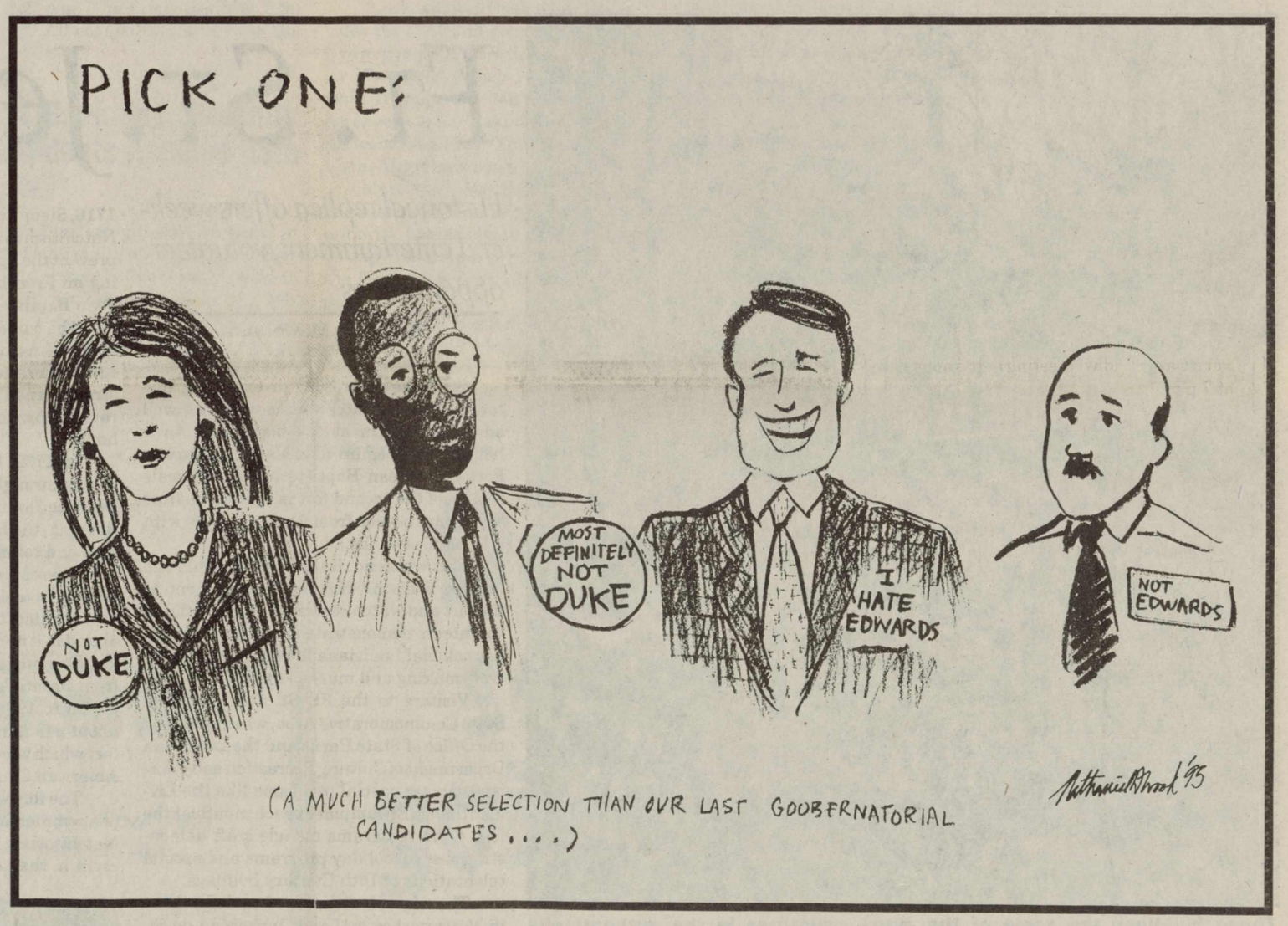
(Belch) "Really? I knew it! He just don't look right on the TV. (Belch) Throw me another Schlitz and shut up, I'm trying to watch wrasslin."

It makes me nervous just to think about it. All those people who are dumb enough to have faith in this kind of swill are out there everyday. They're building your products, cooking your food, running Fortune 500 companies-probably not, but you never can tell. These freaks are even driving on the same roads as you are. They're the ones that leave their blinker on for seventeen miles on I-49 or go 10 miles an hour under the speed limit so they don't throw their dog out of the pickup bed.

Don't get me wrong, though. The tabloids are not entirely full of amazing discoveries, they usually have some very interesting celebrity gossip and helpful information as well. If I had a dollar for how many times Oprah's weight loss programs have graced the cover of the tabloids, I'd be a rich man.

It's not just weight loss programs either, its so much more. Things like "Teach Yourself to be Psychic" and "Prevent Skin Cancer With Your Old Typewriter Ribbons." I'm sure the FDA could learn tons of information from these little known experts. Did you know that JFK is really alive and visited his mother a month ago before she died? It has to be true because the supermarket tabloids have pictures of him.

Amazing.




# Balanced Budget Amendment just Republican posturing



**Madelyn**Boudreaux

Banana Notes

It almost looks like a victory of the reasonable over the addle-brained. On March 3, the proposed Balanced Budget Amendment narrowly failed in the Senate after being postponed twice by majority leader Bob Dole. But despite the last-minute change of mind by Oregon's Mark Hatfield, whose vote dealt the final blow, the bill will get another chance.

As majority leader, Dole was able to change his vote so that he sided with the prevailing opinion. This is a parliamentary procedure that will allow him to reopen the vote again, probably in 1996.

Of course, Dole is a firm supporter of the bill, but he apparently feels no remorse voting with the winners when he has to, and then attacking other people for flip-flopping on issues. He said he'd vote one way, then voted another, and plans the change again, and we're expected trust him?

This bothers me: I can't help but expect those smart people in Washington to behave themselves, and to vote the way they feel, rather than the way politics seem to dictate; the pieces should fall where they may.

When I was a kid, cheering for the winning team was known as cowardice, but in politics, it is apparently okay. Dole isn't the only one to let politics change his vote; according to the Associated Press, five senators, including two Republicans, voted for the bill at the last moment. All five are up for reelection next year.

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The absurd bill, according to Republicans, is necessary because Congress is too weak to balance the budget without such a mandate. It's one of the cornerstones of the *Contract with America*, that list of promises that got so many conservatives elected in November, and which so many seem to have already forgotten.

One problem with the bill is that it has so many loopholes and escape clauses, it will actually just give future Congress-people another way in which to hone their political acrobatics.

For instance, according to *Newsweek* economic correspondent Rich Thomas, Congress can move some programs -- job training and education, for instance -- out of "spending" and instead call it "investment," which would make it exempt from cuts.

Or they can simply move the burden to the individual states, which scares governors and may make the amendment difficult to ratify, since 38 state legislatures will need to agree to the measure before it is finally added to the Constitution.

Finally, in the case of national emergencies like a war or a recession, says Thomas, Congress can circumvent the Constitution with a three-fifths vote. The problem here is, we move into recessionary periods as often as once every three years, so Congress would be able to up the deficit quite often without actually flouting the law.

Since November, our representatives in Washington have been engaged in plenty of party posturing and silly behavior. For instance, according to the Association of Black Sociologists, on Feb. 7 the House voted down the Fourth Amendment when the House Black Caucus introduced it, verbatim, as an amendment to the proposed Exclusionary Rule.

The Fourth Amendment, of course, guarantees Americans protection against search and seizure without a warrant issued with "probable cause," and is the basis of Americans' privacy under the law.

House Republicans were reportedly embarrassed by the revelation that they apparently do not support the rules on which our nation is based, as well they should be. The best that can be said of those who voted against the "amendment" is that they weren't paying attention to what they were doing -- an equally frightening prospect!

After such a mistake, can one really trust the House's respect of the Constitution? And if we can't trust them to support the Constitution, or at least pay attention to what they're voting on, what business do they have making decisions regarding this all-important document?

# Campus Forum

Tuesday, March 14, 1995

**News and Views from the Northwestern Community**




## Campus Connection

Campus Connection submissions must be brought to Rm. 225 by noon on the Monday before Tuesday publication.All submissions should be less than 100 words and should pertain solely to meetings, announcements and upcoming activities. Birthday greetings, congratulations and/or product advertisements should be submitted as paid classified ads. Connections must be resubmitted each week they are to be run.

***Phi Mu***

Don't forget our CD meeting at 2 p.m. Thursday. We will be making decorations and visiting the nursing home. Attendance is mandatory.

Preformal starts a 6 p.m. Friday and ends at 9 p.m. Formal is from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday. Line up for presentation begins at 10:45 a.m.

Don't forget to wear your letters Wednesday and get in your points and study hall hours by Friday.

Remember Greek Rush at 4 p.m. Sunday. Everyone must attend. Bring a non-Greek with you.

***NSU Lacrosse***

I am trying to start a LaCrosse team here at NSU. Anyone interested in playing please call Jeff at 6771 and be prepared to leave a message.

***Blue Key***

Blue Key will hold its next meeting at 6 p.m. Thursday in Rm. 321 Student Union. We will discuss and vote on new membership. Applications will be reviewed and the final selections will be made. This meeting is very important and attendance is a must. Members are encouraged to attend and if you can't, contact Clay at 352-8827. Members are also reminded to wear your Blue Key T-shirts on Thursday.

***Sigma Sigma Sigma***

Tuesday: Wear you badges. Wednesday: Wear your letters. Deadline for RSVPing for Founders Day. Thursday: Trash pickup. Friday: Wear green for St. Pat's Day. Sunday: Meeting at the house at 7 p.m.

***Alpha Lambda Delta***

Alpha Lambda Delta T-shirts will be ordered by March 31. Contact Tammie at 4306 or Lauren at 6816. T-shirts are $8. Also, congratulations to Lauren Gelpi for being awarded the Jo Anne Trow Award through Alpha Delta Lambda! All new members are encouraged to apply for offices for 1995-96. For more information call Lauren at 6816 or Ms. Gillis at 5246.

***Current Sauce***

The *Current Sauce* is changing its meeting time from Mondays to 5 p.m. Wednesdays.

All staff (editorial columnists, news writers, photographers, Lifestyle writers, Arts/Entertainment writers) are required to attend. Bring your staff manuals.

Any student interested in becoming a member of the writing or photography staff (especially potential sports writers) are welcome to attend.

## Students invited to make preference known in Advanced Comp course

Neill Cameron

Over the past year, upwards of 40 students have asked me to teach the English 3210 class (Advanced Composition) and thus far the vagaries of scheduling have kept me from doing so (Teachers in the Language Dept. do not make out their own schedules).

The purpose of this letter is therefore to invite all NSU students who need this course and would like for me to be their instructor to write or call or drop by the Department of Languages and Communications and make your preference known to the department head, Prof. Garry Ross.

I refer specifically to summer sessions number one and number two.

## Sports section lacks personal touch

DorLisa Landry

I am writing in regards to the player profiles featured in your weekly edition. Simply put, I have yet to see any lately. It appears obvious to me that a weekly player profile would increase the students' awareness and support of the athletes who represent their institution. The fact that this section is absent from the Sports section seems archaic and wasteful.

Many of the students athletes of NSU are among the most involved and interesting people on campus. They come from all parts of the country as well as many distant lands. Their decisions to attend NSU range from the mundane to the fact that they were trying to escape the revolution occurring in their homeland.

I was always of the opinion that journalists were encouraged to seek out news and not just report on the obvious. The athletes are simply tired of having their names listed with team stats and would much prefer that the *Current Sauce* investigate the student behind the athlete.

As a member of the Student Athlete Advisory Committee, I am constantly reminded of how little coverage the smaller spring sports receive (i.e. tennis, softball track, golf). I believe that the student population would be more likely to attend one ofour competitions if they had a personalknowledge of some of the athletes. It isdisheartening to the athletes and the student population at large for the media to report only on the "high" and "lows" of the team and skip over the people that comprise the team. *Sports Editor's Note: We regret this problem, but with a limited (one-person) staff and space, we cannot cover every sport on campus.*

## Dorsey's 'better world' not meant to be

Gene Watts

Well I see Mr. Dorsey has struck out again—unfortunately for him. But it is entertaining to us because his swing is amazing, even if it never connects. Now I'm not going to rehash this Lincoln business: I've already made the definitive statement on the subject.

His latest attempt at logic calls for a response, however. I'm referring to the last part of his article.

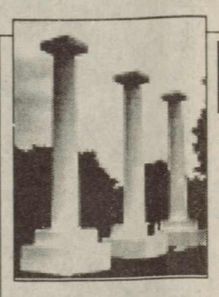
No, Mr. Dorsey, I do not defend colonialism or imperialism. In fact, our most regrettable chapters in foreign policy were with Mexico in the 1840s and the Philippines at the turn of the century.

This is what I defend: Art, law, philosophy, music, deviance, Freud, Plato, Dickens, the Magna Carta, the Constitution, *Paradise Lost*, Mozart, Beethoven, Elvis and Augustus Ceaser, just to name a few. You don't get the glory without the guilt. It's the price of greatness.

And, as for your better world—a world without lies, jealousy, hatred or envy—that's the fanatic in you speaking. A world like that is not possible.

Hitler thought it was; So did Stalin and Manson and Jim Jones and David Koresh. Your "better world" is a breeding ground for fascism.

To have such a world everyone must be one of mind. Want to take a guess as to what happens to dissenters? Read your Orwell, Mr. Dorsey; If your going to use your mind as a sword, you really must sharpen the blade.



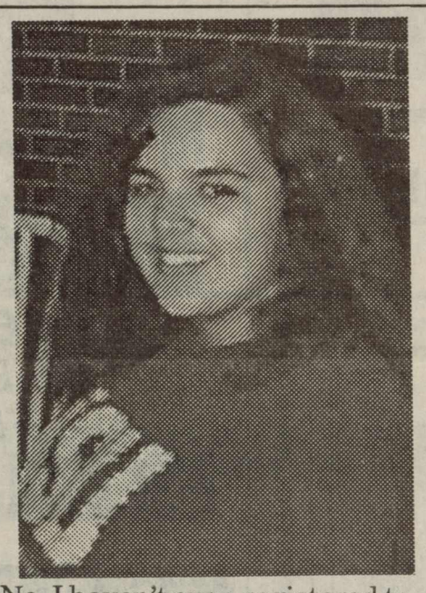
## Your View

*Letters*

Submissions should between 300-500 words and must include the signature of the author, the author's classification, major and phone number for fact verification. They are due the Friday before the Tuesday publication date.

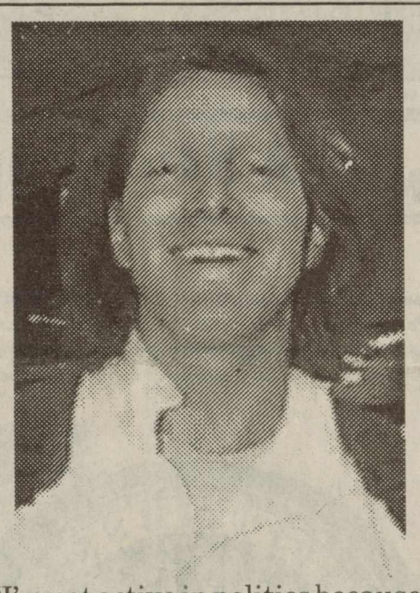
## Current Quotes

## Are you active in politics?



"No. I haven't even registered to vote because of school but I plan to when I get home. It is important that everyone register to vote."

***—Elise Navarro***
***Freshman, Early Child Development***



"I'm not active in politics because I'm too busy looking out for myself and most people who are in politics invariably end up on one of the major parties, none of whom represent anybody's true views."

***—Steven Dale***
***International Student, Psychology***



"Yes I am because I'm extremely concerned about the welfare of our country."

***—Renea Vullen***
***Sophomore, Elementary Education***



"I am not involved in politics because too many fake people and lies are involved."

***—Jennifer Stiner***
***Freshman, Theater***

SGA Minutes for 1/13/95

.The meeting was called to order by Jacob Johnson at 8:03 p.m. Wil Veuleman led the pledge and Rick Bailes ssaid the prayer.

OFFICER REPORTS: Clay announced that club sports met earlier and approved $3100 for the soccer club.

Blair said that all committee chairpersons need to see him and set up a definite time to meet so it can be publicized. He reminded everyone to get busy before the semester ends. He also asked for a motion in new business to appoint Samantha Ronquille and Ken Posey to Senators-at-Large. The people going to COSGA are Wil, Samantha, Jacob, Ross Kelly, Pete Muldoon and Stephanie Garner. The new senators and COSGA people need to meet with Blair after the meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Ross asked for anyone interested in environmental affairs to see him after the meeting.

Dana Lewis announced that the Free Speech committee will meet Wednesday at 4 p.m. She handed out a synopsis of the women's caucus, which will be visiting our campus.

Jacob said that the Student Services committee will meet Thursday at 3:30 p.m. They are working on getting free legal advice for students. OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: Pete moved to approve Samantha and Kim as Senators-at-Large. Sean Schneyer seconded the motion. Ken and Samantha spoke about themselves. Sean called for question. They were approved unanimously.

Misty Mayeaux moved to allocate $3100 to the soccer team. Pete seconded the motion. Coach John Foster explained the budget and emphasized that they cut corners at every chance. He said that the team did not use $1000 from last semester. Pete said that the club has raised over $2500 for themselves and the players pay for their own jerseys. Clay added that the money will come out of the Club Sports reserve funds. Question was called. The motion passed with a vote of 17 for, none against, and one abstention.

SPECIAL REPORTS: Misty sat in on the SAB meeting today. She announced that Willie Jolley will speak on Thursday, February 16 in the Ballroom at 7 p.m. ARAMARK will sponsor a Valentine's Party in the Alley Tuesday night. There is an AIDS awareness rally in the Ballroom tonight.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Mark Alexander announced that the Academic Affairs committee will meet Thursday at 1 p.m. Wil added, "If you ever go out to the woods to run around naked, watch out for briars."

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25.

# Republican *Contract With America* has big business in mind



## Forum Viewpoint

This section provides readers the opportunity to express their views in a column-type format. Each submission should be between 400-600 words and include the author's signature and phone number. Columns must be written professionally and include no personal controversy. They are due Friday before the Tuesday publication.

Himanshu Pratap Singh

First of all, I think I should mention why in the world I am sitting here writing this article when there are a million things I could do on a day like this. The reason is that there has been so much "conservative" hogwash in the *Current Sauce* that I think it's time the liberals did some talking. After all, why is it that in present-day America being "liberal" has suddenly become so bad?

Isn't it the liberals who are largely responsible for the great strides this nation has made? Wasn't it the liberalism in America in the first place that attracted people who were persecuted to America from all around the world?

The liberals are responsible for voting rights for women, equal rights for minorities, civil liberties, consumer protection and a host of other things that we take for granted today. So all of you liberals out there should be proud of your ideology and assert yourself.

However, as much as I would like it, this article is not about liberal pride but a more immediate concern: the civil law system and the changes that the GOP wants to bring in about it. As most of you are probably aware, the House Judicial committee voted yesterday on a measure that would, for the first time ever, put a great portion of torts —the area of the law that governs cases involving defective products and personal injury— under federal law. It is towards the controversy and the issues of this particular legislation that I would like to divert my article and hopefully your attention.

In recent times much has been made of the clogging of courts with frivolous cases and how the judicial system is somehow stagnating with the massive overload. It is this issue that bill is supposedly trying to address. However, there are a lost of clauses within it that do not seem to suggest the same.

Take for example the clause which would make consumers foot the bill of the legal fees of corporations it consumers lose the suit. The Republicans argue this would discourage a lot of people from filing frivolous suits. Through this may be true to an extent, this clause will also cause many people who have generous concerns to abandon filing suits because they would not have a typical Republican bank balance.

Republicans further argue that this would ultimately reduce the cost of goods for consumers because businesses would not have to worry about legal fees and other associated charges. But isn't it true that businesses buy insurance against lawsuits? No one can say for sure by how much or even if the consumers will actually benefit.

I think the whole argument of reduced cost is just a diversion. Why don't the businesses simply improve the quality of their products? Ultimately, this is what will be the best even for the businesses because when they compete in the global marketplace they will have to compete against companies from those countries where no such protection is offered. Reducing litigation against companies will only make them more likely to compromise their quality thus reducing the marketability of their products worldwide.

The other clause hopes to cap punitive damages at $250,000 or three times the compensatory damages awarded, which is even higher. To put this clause forward, the Republicans have made much of the case involving the awarding of $2.7 million to the lady who dropped coffee on herself. However, what they failed to point out is that the judge reduced the award to $660,000. Also, no one mentions that 716 such cases had previously been mentioned to McDonalds who did not take any action in solving the problem.

As one can see from this case, big businesses can be rather brash about admitting their mistakes and rectifying the problems. Also, in most states there is already a system by which judges are allowed to review punitive damages if they feel they are excessive. This too has been ably demonstrated by this case. Thus, there is no need for there to be an arbitrary ceiling on punitive damages, our civil law system is presently able and successful in dealing with this issue.

As if all this wasn't enough, the Republicans also propose to review the securities litigation, thus raising new obstacles for shareholders who try to hold companies accountable for financial losses. The arguments against this are too apparent to even be listed.

The argument that most Republicans present for these changes being implemented is that no one but lawyers will suffer—the people have nothing to worry about. But is that really true? Don't lawyers get a percentage of the awards that ordinary people receive? Also, isn't it true that the lawyers fight the cases for the people and vice versa? Though I am sure the income of trial lawyers will be affected by these changes the real loss will be to people like you and me. Though the Republicans don't say this, we should realize that this too is in the "fine print" like so many things the businesses are already known for.

The bottom line of this whole issue is something that the Republicans conveniently forget to mention. All these limitations would only apply to the cases which consumers file against businesses, not the cases businesses would file against other businesses. Thus, while the rights of the consumers are being compromised, the rights of the businesses will not only be maintained, but further protection will be offered them.

In fact, I wonder if the central theme of the much-hyped *Contract With America* is something that can be twisted and turned around for the gain of big business. Isn't it true that the whole focus of the Republican campaign has been to get the federal government off the backs of the states: decentralization of power? In this case, they seem to be doing just the opposite. Not only are they forcing federal regulations on the states but they seem to be saying that if it is important for the businesses, the federal government should be on the backs of the states. So much for the Contract With America.

Wonder if it should be called *Contract With Big Business.*

# DOCTORATE: NSU to expand programs

*Continued from the front page*

continuing education teachers and educational personnel for military, business and industrial organizations.

"With the explosion of information and new technology," Weaver said. "Schools and businesses need managers and other personnel who can adapt to the kind of equipment, facilities and resources that will be available in the 21st century.

"This doctoral program will provide a bridge for participants between current and future technology," Weaver said.

President Robert Alost said the new program "is consistent with the university's goals of remaining at the forefront in teacher training—as NSU has done for more than a century—and in becoming a leader in integrating education with new and innovative technology."

Alost said re-establishment of doctoral level programs "will enhance both the prestige and funding of the University and will expand the institution's mission in providing higher education opportunities in this region."

The first students will be admitted to the program following a customary review by the Board of Trustees of faculty, staff and other resources, development of admission requirements, a determination of enrollment capacity and the completion of guidelines and procedures to assure the quality of the program.

For more information on the program, contact Dr. Sue Weaver at 318-357-6288 or by electronic mail at weaver@nsula.edu.

# CANDIDATES: Students encouraged to vote

*Continued from the front page*

live in Natchitoches."

"Most of the students that come in are there because their parents want them to be," LaCour said.

Parents, according to LaCour, are also the given reason for out-of-town students not transferring their registration to Natchitoches Parish.

If a state resident is already registered in his or her hometown, his registration is automatically transferred to Natchitoches Parish when the registrar enters the information into the state-wide computer.

"On the registration card, it asks if you are registered to vote anywhere," LaCour said. "So the student must tell us where he is registered.

"We send the signed form to the student's home state, to notify them of the student's intention to register in Louisiana," she said.

"Once the student is cleared from his home-state's records, he is a registered voter of Natchitoches Parish," she said.

LaCour said the voter-registration drives held on campus each fall and spring have been successful, but she could not say how many of those registered actually vote in elections.

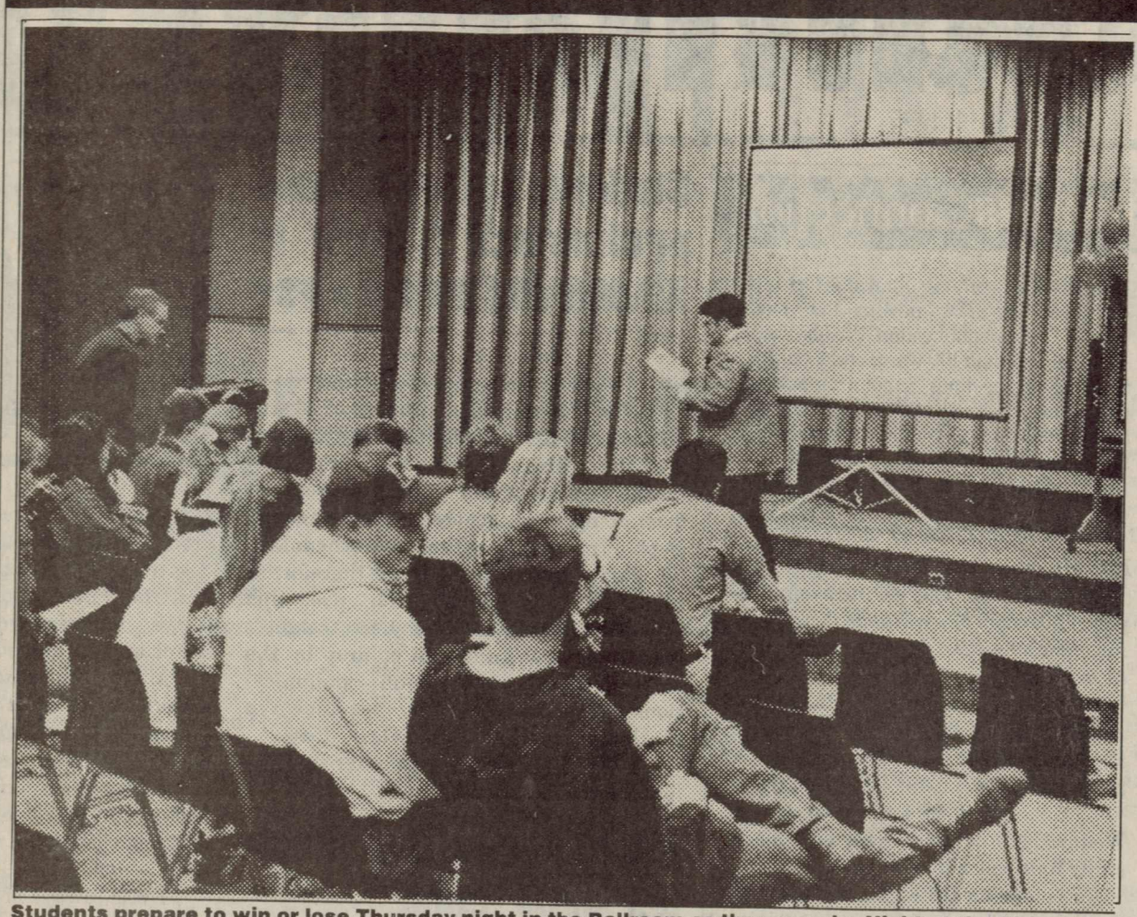
Meche added, "It is their future," he said. "They need to take some interest."

"We are hoping for maximum attendance to the lectures, and good student participation in the gubernatorial elections."

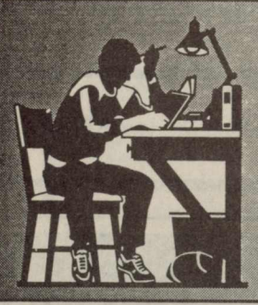
SGA's next guest speaker is state Sen. Mike Foster of Franklin, who will speak at 12:30 March 29 in the Student Union President's Room.

Speaking dates for U.S. Rep. Cleo Fields and state treasurer Mary Landieu have not yet been confirmed.

# I Bet...



**Students prepare to win or lose Thursday night in the Ballroom as they spend a *Night at the Races*. The program was sponsored by the Student Activities Board.** PHOTO BY JONATHON WALLACE

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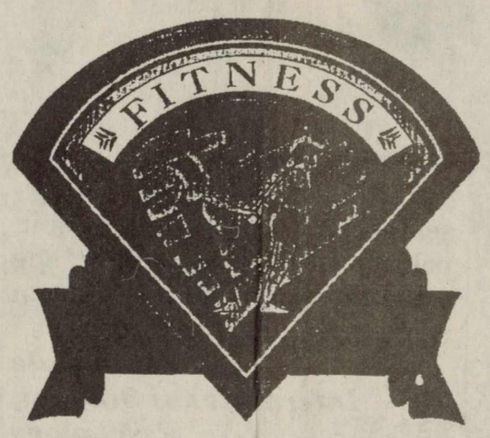
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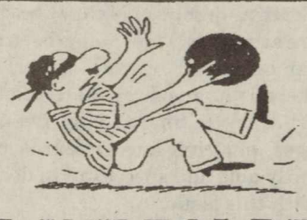



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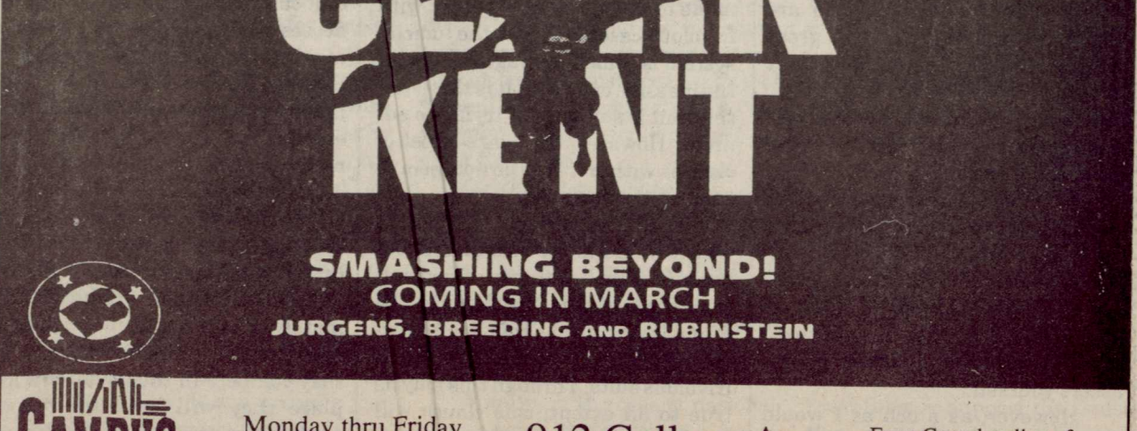
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## TIMECOP

UNIVERSAL CITY, CA.—The action-packed futuristic thriller and late summer box office hit *Timecop*, and the gripping murder mystery *Deconstructing Sarah* are now on videocassette and laserdisc. *Timecop* features action superstar Jean-Claude Van Damme, renowned actor Ron silver and beautiful Mia Sara and is directed by Peter Hyams.

The suspenseful *Deconstructing Sarah* stars Sheila Kelley, A Martinez, and Rachel Ticotin.

*Timecop* opened at No. 1 at the box office, staying in that position for two weeks and has earned over $45 million to date. The feature is also Jean-Claude Van Damme's most critically-praised and popular film.

"The story of *Timecop* unfolds on many levels—romance, action, mystery, and murder," says director Hyams. "At the same time, it revolves aroun questions we all enjoy speculating about: what if you actually had the chance to go back in time and change something, would you?"

## VIDEO

It is the year 2004. Time travel is a reality and a new breed of criminal has used it to control financial markets, thus controlling nations. Max Walker (Van Damme) as the *Timecop* is engaged in a fierce manhunt for a corrupt senator who has acquired the power to change history. With time literally running out and his own existence in jeopardy, Walker must also confront the temptation to keep a personal tragedy from happening—the murder of his own wife.

# Special FX provide only thrills in Koontz's *Hideaway*

DEREK RABUCK
*Current Sauce*

Horror master Dean Koontz has returned to the big screen with *Hideaway*. *Hideaway*, which was a No. 1 best selling book, is the latest movie adaption of one of Koontz's books.

*Hideaway* is the story of a man, played by veteran film star Jeff Goldblum (*Jurassic Park*, *The Fly*), who falls victim to the icy water of a river and is miraculously brought back to life by way of a new form of medical technology.

After returning home, the man is plagued by a series of startling visions. In these visions, a man in black is stalking young females and inducing acts of torture upon them, until their demise.

With each new vision comes a more terrifying feeling by Goldblum, that he is the one committing the acts. But, when he receives a vision of his young daughter, played by Alicia Silverstone (*The Crush*), talking to the man in black in a bar, he knows he is not crazy and sets out to find the other man.

Goldblum's character goes to see a fortune teller, who informs him that a higher power is the reason for his startling visions. As soon as Goldblum leaves, the man in black, who has been having visions of his own, kills the fortune teller and decides to go after Goldblum's character.

The man in black, kidnaps Goldblum's daughter and leads Goldblum and his wife to a deserted amusement park for the final scenes between good and evil.

## MOVIES

One thing that is unique to this movie is the great special effects. The special-effects personnel out did themselves with this movie.

The special effect version of the so-called "light at the end of the tunnel," for both heaven and hell, is a spectacular display of technical genius.

Also, the director's version of the devil and a archangel are a fresh portrayal of what beings of the afterlife look like.

Even though *Hideaway* has special effects that are truly amazing creations, the actual adaption of the Koontz book was horrendous.

The book *Hideaway* could have been adapted with relative ease into a good movie script, if the screen writers would have spent more time comparing the script to the actual book. Not everything in the book could have been adapted, but a better transition could have been achieved between the movie script and the novel.

One problem that I had with the movie version of *Hideaway* is that the script could have defined the characters better. Sometimes it seemed like some characters were portrayed for no relevance to the way the plot of the movie was headed. This included Silverstone's character.

The storyline continuously switched from character to character and never lingered long enough for the audience to get to know them.

The man in black is the best example of this. The actor playing this role was never given the chance to develop his character into a good villain.

One thing that is in the movie but never explained is the sculpture that is being built by the man in black. The plot line of the novel depends on the sculpture, but the movie never even gives you a good look at it. Characters scream when they see inside the sculpture, but the audience is left in the dark about what's inside.If you want to see mind blowing special effects, check out *Hideaway*.

But, if you would like to experience the full impact of what the plot of *Hideaway* is all about, pick up a copy of the book. Because of the special effects, I give *Hideaway* a 3.

*Hideaway* is currently showing at Parkway Cinema.

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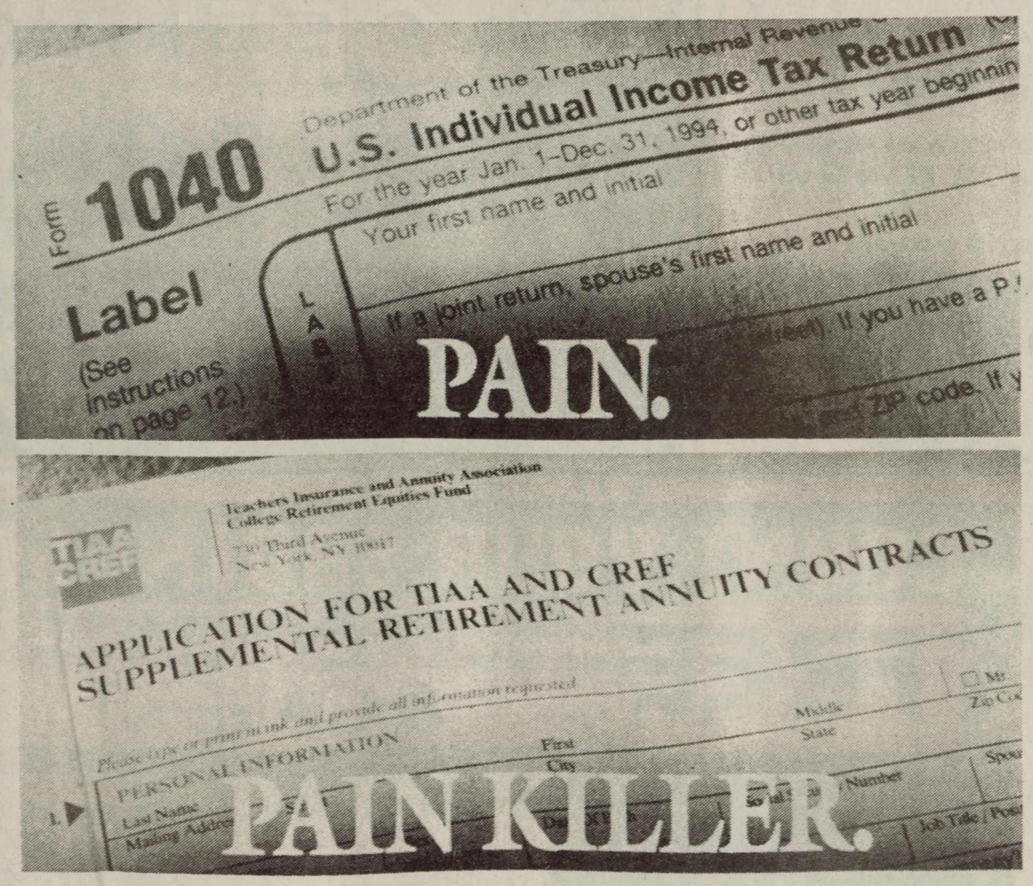

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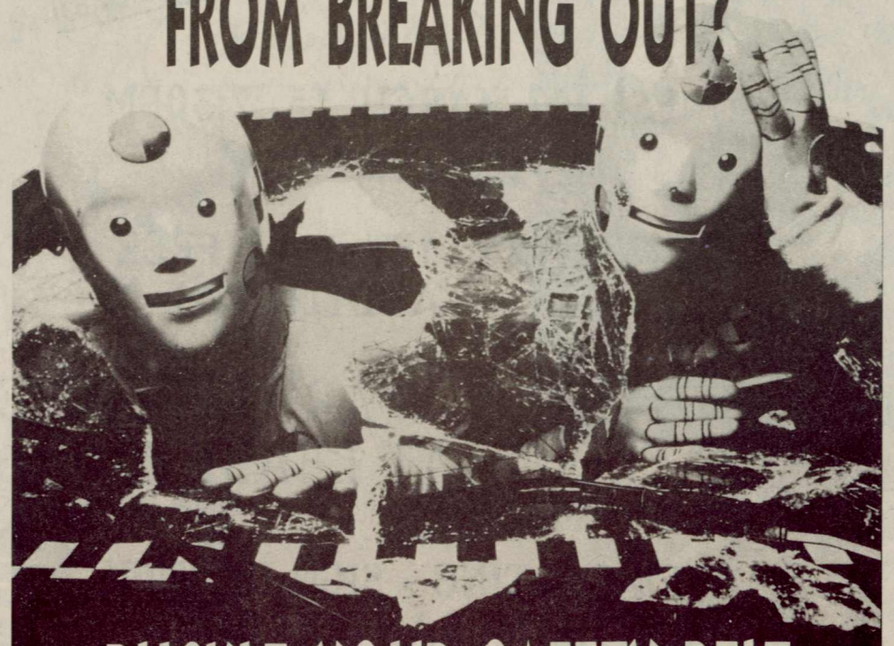
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# Last Call: band in the spotlight

Derek Rabuck
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Have you ever studied and studied for a test and said to yourself afterward that you were going to go out the next night to relax?

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Well, I have found something that you can do to help relax. Have you ever heard of Last Call?

Last Call is a local band that has been playing frequently around Natchitoches as of late.

This past Wednesday night, a couple of friends and I went to check out Last Call in action. And guess what? These four guys put on one hell of a show.

This is not the first time that I had ever seen Last Call. I had previously seen Last Call rehearse a couple of nights before a gig in Shreveport.

I had no idea of what to expect when I first walked through the door of the house where they were rehearsing, but when I walked back outside a couple of hours later, I knew who Last Call was.

These four guys had played some very high energy, down to earth renditions of popular tunes along the classic rock vein, plus a couple of original songs thrown in for good measure.

## REVIEW

But, I had learned a long time ago that some bands sound great rehearsing, but cannot transition that sound to a live performance. Last Call had no problem in this category. Their performance live on anyone could sit down and be bored.

Last Call played three songs that night that, to me, stand out as being instant crowd pleasers, no matter what your musical preference is. These include *Hurts So Good*, *Should I Stay or Should I Go*, and an original song written by Last Call entitled *Will You Stay (Away From Me)*.

The band members, who took requests all night long, really showed me, along with everyone else in attendance that night, that Last Call plays music, ranging from hard rock to country, that is very flexible and overall entertaining.

If you're in the mood for some very skilled playing, bluesy guitar licks and a whole lot of fun, give Last Call a try. No band can entertain everyone, but Last Call does a damn good job trying.



**Chris Usie, bass guitarist for the rock band Last Call performed with his group at at Woody's March 8.**

Photo by Jonathon Wallace

# Absurdist comedy inspired by war-time tragedy

## Northwestern theater to present three Absurdist plays March 13-19.

Hank Canon
*Current Sauce*

Northwestern's theater will be performing works of absurdist theater March 13-20 in the loft theater series entitled *That's Absurd*. Strangely enough, this form of comic fantasy was inspired by historical tragedy.

Three short plays will be presented in Theater West, each representing an era in absurdist theater. The classical period will be represented by the *Bald Soprano*, by Eugene Ionesco, directed by Northwestern faculty member Chris Foster.

The middle period is represented by Tom Stoppard's *The Real Inspector Hound,* directed by Vicki Parish, assistant professor of theater.

The contemporary period will be represented by an original work entitled *Ecstasy: A Catastrophe in Two Scenes*, which is written and directed by Dr. Terry Byars, assistant professor of theater.

The term "Theatre of the Absurd" was coined in 1961 by playwright Martin Esslin. According to Byars, who teaches courses in dramatic literature, at Northwestern, absurdism is marked by an absence of a belief system and therefore an absence of logic in the series of events in absurdist works. In absurd plays societal conventions are turned end over end to prove a point.

According to Byars, absurdism came into being because of the trauma the civilized world had suffered, at least in the eyes of the literary culture, as the result of two incredibly devastating wars: World Wars I and II.

Writers despaired because each war brought about new levels of horror and atrocity. World War I saw the invention and use of the machine gun which, along with chemical weapons, nearly wiped out a generation of Europe's young men. World War II, with the horror of the Holocaust, ended with the birth and utilization of the atomic bomb.

Esslin felt that something was very wrong with the world in order for all of that suffering to happen twice in one century. To him it was very absurd and his work began to reflect that feeling.

*The Bald Soprano* and *The Real Inspector Hound* are both examples of meta-theater, theater about theater, from which points about our own reality can be taken.

"We have the name and number of a doctor if this makes any sense to you," Brett Diagle, assistant stage manager of the *Bald Soprano*, said. "We have taken every stage convention and chewed them up and spat them out. It's absurd!"

> "If you want to see a different type theater not done in this area and you want to laugh, come see this show."
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> **Eric C. Amburg, Assistant Director, *Bald Soprano***

"If you want to see a different type theater not done in this area and you want to laugh, come see this show," Eric C. Amburg, assistant director of the *Bald Soprano*, said. "It's only about an hour."

The show revolves around communication and miscommunication.

"We [society] don't communicate about things that are worth communicating about," Dr. Jack Wann, artistic director of Northwestern's theater department, said. "This is an absurdist play attempting to point this out."

*The Real Inspector Hound* begins innocuously enough with two critics critiquing a performance when the critics become the actors and the actors become the critics.

"It's a whodunit — a murder mystery," Shelly Catron, stage manager of the play, said. "It's very funny."

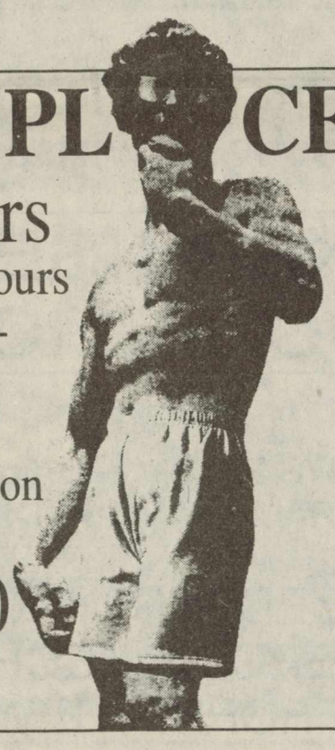
The third play of the trilogy, *Ecstasy: A Catastrophe in Two Scenes* centers around the evangelistic empire of Vaughn Ray McClendon and her obsession with flight and finding her father "who was lost in the mission fields of Cambodia."

According to Byars, who did his dissertation on the persuasive speaking powers of the evangelist and worked for a short period of time with the Jimmy Swaggart Ministries, the play, which takes place during a regular broadcast, integrates Vaughn Ray's struggle to find her father (via the medium of ham radio) and to find her own identity.

"Despair over a lost God (belief system) translates into terms of media as God," Byars said, "Which is a perverse reinvention of God in the 90s."

For ticket information contact the theater box office at 357-5819. *The Real Inspector Hound* and the *Bald Soprano* will run together at 7:30 p.m. March 13, 15 and 17. *Ecstasy* will run at 7:30 p.m. March 14, 16, 18 and 19.

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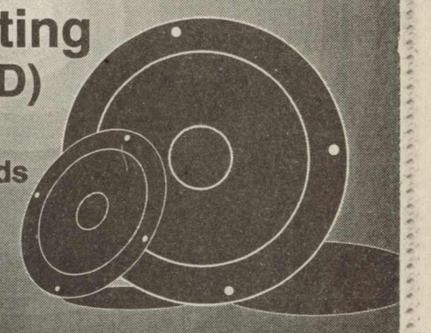


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# SportsBriefs

## Lady Demons accept NWIT berth following NCAA committee snub

The Lady Demons, Southland Conference regular-season champions with a 23-6 record, were one of the first teams chosen Sunday for the 1995 National Women's Invitational Tournament.

Northwestern, denied an at-large invitation to the NCAA Tournament earlier Sunday, will play Clemson (19-10) in the first round March 23 of the 27th Annual NWIT in Amarillo, Texas. The eight-team tournament will run March 23-26.

Notre Dame (19-9) and Pacific (20-12) are on the same side of the tourney bracket with Northwestern. On the other side of the eight-team field are matchups pitting Texas A&M (18-9) against East Tennessee State (20-7) and Virginia Commonwealth (19-8) against Massachusetts (18-9). All eight teams will play three games at the NWIT.

It's the fifth major college postseason tournament invitation, and the fourth NWIT berth, for Northwestern. The Lady Demons were finalists in the 1986 NWIT and won the 1993 NWIT consolation championship. Northwestern received an at-large NCAA Tournament berth after a 22-6 season in 1989.

Before women's basketball was officially funded by the University beginning in 1974, Northwestern played in the 1973 NWIT.

Northwestern Head Coach James Smith, the Southland Conference "Coach of the Year," was happy about returning to the NWIT but miffed at the snub by the NCAA Tournament selection committee.

"Amarillo and the NWIT hold a lot of great memories for us," Smith said. "We'll have a good time and play some very tough teams. We appreciate the invitation. At the same time, not getting into the NCAA is a bitter pill.

"I don't know what to say. It's just heartbreaking for our kids to be denied something they deserve so much. When you've played a good schedule like we've done, and put up the record we did, you deserve to go to the dance"

NCAA selection committee chairman Linda Bruno said Northwestern was among "20-25 bubble teams" considered but not chosen for the 32 at-large invitations to the 64-team field.

"We left out some good teams," Bruno said. "That's the most difficult part of the [committee's] job. . .deciding who's not going to get into the tournament. It's not a pleasant thing."

Northwestern, which won 19 of its last 22 games, knocked off No. 24 Iowa 54-54 earlier in the season at the Stanford Invitational, but the Hawkeyes struggled to a 12-17 finish. Iowa's demise hurt Northwestern's credentials, despite the fact that the Hawkeyes were picked in the preseason top 10 by some experts.

"To their credit, [Northwestern] made and effort to schedule some top teams," Bruno said. "You can't foresee a perennially powerful program not living up to expectations, but unfortunately that happens and when it does the game doesn't help your cause as much as you had expected it to."

## USL sweeps twinbill from Lady Demons in softball

Southwestern Louisiana first baseman Stephanie DeFeo blasted a towering home run in game one and shortstop Lori Osterberg went 4-for-4 in the nightcap to lead the 19th-ranked Lady Cajuns to a doubleheader sweep of the Lady Demons in softball action Thursday at Lady Demon field.

Lady Demon hitters were held in check all day by USL pitchers as they were shut out 7-0 and 9-0. Lady Cajun pitching has not allowed a runner to cross the plate in six straight games.

Deven Macnair (1-4) started and took the loss for Northwestern, surrendering five hits and five runs in 2 2/3 innings against the powerful Lady Cajuns.

Northwestern threatened to score on numerous occasions in game two, managing five hits off USL starter Sophia Mount. The five Lady Demon hits were the most given up by USL in six games.

Freshman Becca Allen led the team with two hits while Sonia Jones, Jennifer Painter, and Lakita Williams each had one apiece.

The Lady Demons fell to 3-11 (1-7 SLC) on the year while the Lady Cajuns improved their mark to 12-4.

## Demons, Lady Demons dominate Northwestern Relays

Senior Steve Readeaux swept the men's shot put and discus titles Saturday as Northwestern used outstanding field event success to dominate men's and women's divisions in the Northwestern Relays.

Northwestern won five of the 12 field events contested. Readeaux threw the shot put 51-5 and had a 159-0 1/2 discus mark for his victories.

Pineville product Adrian Kirk won the men's triple jump for Northwestern at 47-5 3/4. In the women's triple jump, Northwestern's Emily Rudan, an NCAA Indoor provisional qualifier, won with 39-8 1/2 mark.

Niema Malone of Northwestern won the women's long jump at 18-11 3/4.

Northwestern took four running events, including the men's 4X200 relay (1:25.99). Senior Tim Rosas finished strongly to win the 5000 meters in 15:37.48 and Alexandria-Bolton High product Clinton Williams won the 110-meter hurdles (14.23).

Angela Penzi took the women's 100-meter hurdles for Northwestern in 14.64. Lady Demon thrower Regina Buford was second in the shot and discus competitions.

## Lady Demon tennis battles slump, injury bug in losses

Northwestern's women's tennis team captured three of its first four matches but could not hold off Southland Conference foe North Texas as they fell 6-3 Saturday at Jack Fisher Tennis Complex.

For the second day in a row, top player Natalie Opoku was forced to retire due to a nagging shoulder injury.

Sandra Emde, Glynnis Carolissen and Julie Lassiter each registered straight set wins for the Lady Demons, who fell to 0-6 (0-2 SLC) under first-year head coach Willie Paz.

The doubles tandem of Emde and Carolissen lost a three-set affair to the Lady Eagles' No. 1 duo, Cora Biurra and Kristi Benson 6-2, 2-6, 6-4.

Opoku was forced to retire in Friday's 8-1 loss to UT-Arlington after jumping out to a 3-1 lead over UTA ace Jana Turkova.

From the No. 2 slot, Ende disposed of Patricia Quisoboni 6-4, 6-2.

Northwestern returns to the courts Wednesday as the host Southwestern Louisiana.

# LADY DEMONS: No NCAA's for champs

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the Ladyjacks pounded Garner, the All-America candidate, on the inside with an aggressive, physical defensive strategy that held the Northwestern junior to just 10 points and 11 rebounds.

"Every time Garner got the ball she was shoved out to the free throw line," Smith said. "For us to be successful, it can't be a football game. It has to be a basketball game. We have to have a finesse-type situation, and there was a lot of [physical play] going on in there."

The Lady Demons could also have suffered from tired legs, as Shaw, Simpson, and Williams all played the entire 40 minutes of their third game in six days. Garner played 38 minutes, only sitting out the final two minutes of the first half.

"I have a philosophy of keeping your best players out there," Smith said of the extended minutes for his starters. "They've done that all year. They could play another 30 or 40 minutes.

"I think it is a travesty and great disappointment to these kids," Smith said of the Lady Demons' snub by the NCAA Tournament committee. "We are 23-6 and the conference tournament champion is 22-7. It's a matter of politics, and I think we all know how that goes."

# NCAA: Title run begins

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Villanova (26-7).

Connecticut (26-4), as the West's No. 2 seed, has lost a lot of support in the second half of the season after being arguably the best team in the nation through January. If Ray Allen has a good Tournament, the Huskies could make some noise; but most likely UConn will be sent home long before Seattle.

Sleepers? Well, they may not be a sleeper as a No. 3 seed, but Maryland has the talent to win the Tournament. In sophomore center Joe Smith, the Terrapins have the kind of college superstar that can carry his team to a title—much like Danny Manning of Kansas in 1988. If the Terrapins can squeeze by an underrated Texas squad in the second round, Maryland could very well be the team to knock off UCLA and UConn in the West.

The ultimate sleeper is the Longhorns. Something about playing Texas in the postseason should terrify any coach in the country. The 'Horns can run with anybody, rebound with anybody, and play defense with anybody. The backcourt of Terence Rencher and Roderick Anderson doesn't take a backseat to anyone in the nation, and coach Tom Penders has made a reputation for making noise in the NCAA's. If the Longhorns aren't awed by competing in the same regional with UCLA, Maryland, and UConn, Texas could very well be the shocker story of the Tournament as an eleventh seed.

Michigan State (22-5) boasts the nation's best pure scorer in Shawn Respert. Oklahoma State (23-9) has its "Big Country" center in Bryant Reeves. Villanova is riding a huge streak of momentum and has a Player of the Year-type star in Kerry Kittles.

But only four will make the trip to the Great Northwest. Which four? For what it's worth, I like Arkansas coming from the Midwest, North Carolina the Southeast, UMass the East, and Maryland the West.

Regardless of the outcome, there is one description of the next three weeks that will be bona fide gospel.

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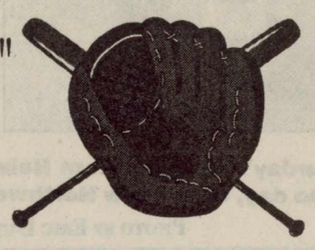
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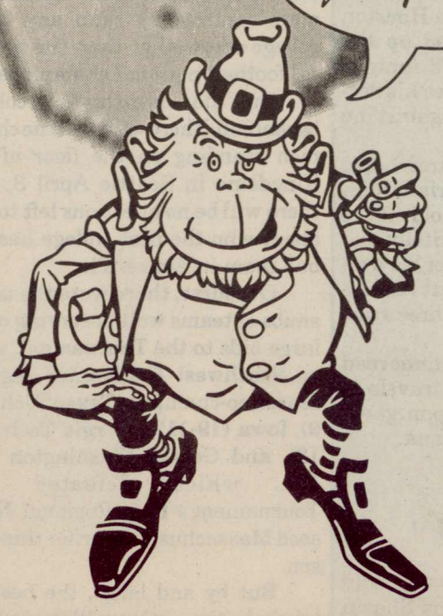
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## Rebounding, shooting woes plague Northwestern in Southland tournament finals

# Lady Demons' NCAA bid taken by rival Ladyjacks in 68-60 loss

DAVID WEAVER
*Current Sauce*

Last week the Lady Demons were celebrating Northwestern's first Southland Conference championship.

The joy of that accomplishment was squashed by rival Stephen F. Austin Saturday in the championship game of the Southland Conference tournament, as the Ladyjacks outrebounded the Lady Demons by 22 and eased to a 68-60 win at Hirsch Coliseum in Shreveport.

Along with its second win in three games over Northwestern, Stephen F. Austin (22-7) earned an automatic berth to the NCAA Tournament this week. The Ladyjacks will begin play in the West Regional in Chapel Hill, N. C., against Seton Hall of the Big East Conference.

The Lady Demons (23-6) were denied an at-large bid to the NCAA tourney and settled for a berth in the National Women's Invitational Tournament March 23-26 in Amarillo, Texas.

"These kids have won 20 games in a row four straight years," Northwestern Head Coach James Smith said of the Lady Demons. "You can bark up any tree you want, but that's pretty impressive. These two teams both deserve to go [to the NCAA's], and I'd have said the same thing if we had won."

But the Lady Demons didn't win due in large part to the incredible rebounding advantage the Ladyjacks enjoyed and Northwestern's inability to put the ball in the basket.

SFA outboarded the Lady Demons 58-36, ripping down a whopping 23 offensive rebounds in the process. Tournament MVP Latonia Bonnett, freshman Christie Smith, and forward LaTosha Lewis combined to pull down 37 rebounds collectively.

The Lady Demons also suffered from a miserable shooting performance, finishing the contest with a paltry 32.9 percent shooting from the field. SLC Player of the Year Joskeen Garner was held to five of 16 (31.2 percent), point guard Stephanie Shaw three of 10 (30 percent), and shooting guard Angela Simpson five of 20 (25 percent).

"Overall, I think our kids played extremely hard, and we played extremely smart on the defensive end," Smith said. "Offensively and the boards is what beat us."

After a sluggish beginning for both teams, the Ladyjacks sped to a 14-point advantage, 26-12, after the first 10 minutes of play. SFA's Katrina Price scored 11 points during the spurt, and the Lady Demons went almost four minutes without a basket.

Trailing 30-17 at the 7:43 mark, the Lady Demons roared back with a 9-0 run on two free throws from Kim Kahl, a three-point play from Simpson, and two buckets from Bridgete Williams. A Garner jumper at the 3:38 mark of the half brought the Lady Demons even at 32, and Simpson put Northwestern ahead 34-32 with 2:16 remaining.

The Ladyjacks' Yolanda Harris sank a three-pointer with 36 seconds left to enable SFA to go into the locker room with a 37-36 advantage, but the momentum was clearly on the side of Northwestern, who had closed the half on a 24-11 run in the final 10 minutes.

"Northwestern's capable of coming down and hitting five great shots and you playing great defense on them," SFA Head Coach Royce Chadwick said. "They're streaky and we're streaky. We knew before the game started that they could go up 10 on us and we could go up 10 on them, but I told them [Ladyjacks] it would come down to the last five minutes, and we were fortunate enough to be within striking distance in the last five minutes."

"I was putting more pressure on the ball," Williams said of the Lady Demons' run back into the game. "We were running the ball and really had our break going."

In the second half, the Ladyjacks enjoyed eight-point leads on two separate occasions, only to see the scrappy Lady Demons climb right back. SFA opened the half on an 11-4 run to go up 48-40, but sat back and watched Northwestern run off 10 straight points to take a 50-48 lead with 10:23 remaining in the game.

Harris and Jill Reeves answered for SFA with a bucket apiece to push the Ladyjacks back on top, 52-50, followed by a tying basket from Northwestern's Susan Baxter at the 8:23 mark. Smith scored on a putback at 8:09, and Williams answered for the Lady Demons on a layup with 7:17 remaining.

Following a timeout, the Ladyjacks simply took over the remaining seven minutes of the contest. SFA reeled off nine straight points to go up 63-54 and its defense held the Lady Demons scoreless until a Simpson bucket with 2:49 remaining. Northwestern was outscored 14-6 in the final seven minutes to seal the win for the Ladyjacks.

For the second game in a row,

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## Making His Mark



**Demon shot putter Steve Readeaux prepares for a toss in Saturday's Northwestern Relays. Readeaux swept both the shot put and discus competition on the day, which saw Northwestern teams dominate the meet.**

PHOTO BY ERIC DUTILE

# Garner nabs Player of Year; Brown named to second team

Northwestern basketball players Tarius Brown, Joskeen Garner, Angela Simpson, and Stephanie Shaw received All-Southland Conference honors last week in voting by league coaches and media representatives.

The Lady Demons' Garner was named the Southland Conference "Player of the Year" after leading Northwestern to the first Southland Conference title in school history this season.

Garner was a first-team All-SLC selection for the third straight year. She led the conference in rebounding at 12.8 rebounds per game and ranked second in steals (3.6), third in blocked shots (1.8), fifth in assists (4.8), eighth in field goal percentage (49.4) and ninth in scoring (14.8).

"I'm happy for Joskeen. She is definitely deserving of the award," Lady Demon Head Coach James Smith said. "Joskeen is a complete player. There is nothing she can't do on a basketball court."



**Garner**

Brown earned second team All-SLC honors for the Demons. The 6-3 senior walk-on from Birmingham, Al., was the fifth leading scorer in the SLC at 18.1 points per game and ranked sixth in rebounding with 7.6 per game and led the Demons as the surprise team in the conference. Preseason polls tabbed the Demons to finish in last place this season, but Northwestern fought hard all season and finished in sixth place.

Brown was the only Demon to earn postseason honors.

"Tarius is a fierce competitor and was the heart and soul of our basketball team," Demon Head Coach J. D. Barnett said. "He probably deserved to be a first-team selection because he meant so much to our basketball team and without him I don't think we make the postseason tournament."

Simpson and Shaw were second-team All-SLC selections for the Lady Demons. Simpson ranked fourth in the SLC in scoring (16.1), and Shaw was second in assists (5.2) and seventh in free throw percentage (73.8).

Smith captured SLC "Coach of the Year" honors for the second time as the Lady Demons posted their fourth consecutive 20-win season on the way to the SLC regular season title.

# Demons take two of three from University of Houston

Jon Black gave up a first inning double to Tom Maleski and then held the Houston Cougars hitless the rest of the way in leading the Demons to a 2-0 game two baseball victory Saturday.

In game one, the Demons wasted an outstanding day on the mound by junior Zach Martin in losing 2-1. Martin only gave up three hits and two walks and only one of the Cougar runs was earned.

Rahn Smith scored the winning run for the Demons in the nightcap when he came around on wild pitch by losing pitcher John Box in the first inning. The Demons added an insurance run in the third inning when first baseman Eric Gilmore smashed his third home run of the season to left field.

Black, who is now 3-0 on the year, pitched superbly in going the entire seven innings while walking only one and striking out three. It was Black's first shutout of the season.

Northwestern (12-5) was beaten in the first game by the Cougars' Jon McDonald (2-0). Like Martin, McDonald would allow only three hits and one earned run.

Terry Joseph scored for Northwestern in the first inning from third on an error by Sam Houston transfer Jason Smiga. The Demons carried the lead into the sixth inning when the Cougars scored twice with two outs.

The Demons won the series opener Friday by scoring four runs in the top of the ninth inning and stealing a 9-8 victory from Houston (12-9). Corey Bond picked up the win in relief, going 4 2/3 innings without giving up a run for his second win of the season against no losses.

Houston slammed three home runs off Demons starter Brian Dulin but it was not enough to hold off the late Demon rally. Duane Stelly had a ninth inning home run of his own for Northwestern, and Matt Donner collected three hits and three runs batted in.

Northwestern will continue road play Wednesday when it travels to Hammond, La., for a 6:30 p.m. game with Southeastern Louisiana.

**Game 1**

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John Box, Jason Farrow (5) and Kirk Blount. Jon Black and Shawn McHugh. W-Black (3-0). L-Box (2-2). LOB-NSU 6, UH 1. 2B-Maleski, UH. HR-Gilmore (3), NSU. T-1:37. A-582.

# Wide-open tourney field promises excitement; Hogs, UMass, Heels, Terps ready to make run

March Madness.

It all begins in earnest the week, and all the cliches are in place. The Road to the Final Four. The Sprint to Seattle. The Big Dance.

The NCAA Tournament has become, in the last decade, the only sporting event in the country that even comes close to rivaling the Super Bowl. It generates more hype, more controversy than any other college sport other than the mythical football national championship.

But, there is no myth in college basketball. There will be a true champion standing on the floor of the Kingdome in Seattle April 3, and there will be no questions left to ask about who the best college basketball team in America is.

Of course, there were the usual snubs of teams well-deserving of at-large bids to the Tournament, such as Southwest Conference regular season co-champion Texas Tech (20-9), Iowa (19-11), Georgia Tech (18-12), and George Washington (18-13), which defeated the Tournament's East Regional No. 2 seed Massachusetts earlier this season.

But by and large, the best 64 teams in the nation will begin play later this week for the big prize that awaits someone in Seattle.

Looking at the bracket, I see any one of sixteen teams with realistic shots at pulling off a national championship. Of course, one would have to favor the top four seeds—UCLA (25-2) in the West, Kansas (23-5) in the Midwest, Kentucky (25-4) in the Southeast and Wake Forest (24-5) in the East.

**David Weaver**



UCLA ended the season as the No. 1-ranked team in the nation behind the play of brothers Charles and Ed O'Bannon. The Bruins, as the top seed in the West Regional, should have a competitive matchup in the second round with Mississippi State (20-7), but should not have any trouble advancing at least the Elite Eight next week.

The Jayhawks were awarded a No. 1-seed despite being upset Saturday by Iowa State in the Big Eight tournament semifinals. Of all the top dogs in each of the regionals, Kansas may have the most difficulty reaching the Final Four. Should Western Kentucky (26-3) defeat a depleted Michigan (17-13) squad Thursday, the Jayhawks could be looking down the barrel of an upset gun as early as Saturday's second round.

The Kentucky Wildcats play basketball as if their pants were on fire. Coach Rick Pitino has done the job of the decade in bringing this vaunted program back from the depths of near-extinction to perhaps the best in the country. The Wildcats should make plans to be in Birmingham, Al., March 25 for the Southeast Regional final. There is no way a Pitino-coached squad will fall to the likes of Mount St. Mary's, Brigham Young, or Arizona State.

Wake Forest is the surprise of the season in being the top seed in the East Regional. The Demon Deacons quietly shared the Atlantic Coast Conference's regular season title and knocked off a more talented North Carolina squad in the tournament title game Sunday. Wake will most likely face a tough Oklahoma State team in the Sweet Sixteen before facing Massachusetts in the regional final.

Defending champion Arkansas (27-6) has endured a season in which the Razorbacks have worn a gigantic bullseye on their backs as the preseason favorite to repeat, but have come through with a shining year and have to be considered the team to beat this season. Scotty Thurman, Corliss Williamson, and Cory Beck will be a valuable trio for coach Nolan Richardson, and this team's experience from last season's championship run will be even more valuable.

No. 2 Southeast seed North Carolina is the classic underachiever in the country. The Tar Heels have perhaps the best overall talent of any team in the Tournament, yet could drop any of its games from the second round on. Florida, Michigan State, and Kentucky could knock off Carolina at any point—or the Tar Heels could breeze through the bracket. Jerry Stackhouse, Rasheed Wallace, Jeff McInnis, Donald Williams—this team could play competitively in the NBA. But can they win the NCAA Tournament?

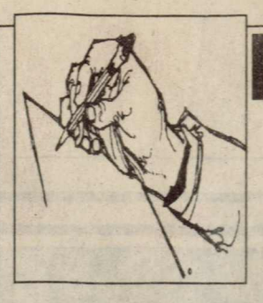
Massachusetts is peaking at just the right time for coach John Caliperi. The Minutemen have quietly eased into the Big Dance with a 26-4 mark and as the East Regional's No. 2 seed. UMass could very well ease into the Sweet Sixteen before facing any kind of serious test at all in Big East tourney champion

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## Former head cashier took over $66,000

### Audit reveals Boswell falsified documents to conceal actions

JANE BALDWIN
*Current Sauce*

Cathy Boswell, Northwestern's former head cashier, admitted to taking over $66,000 in school funds for her personal use, according to a state audit report conducted by legislative auditor Daniel Kyle.

According to Dr. Robert Alost on March 2 the University "discovered irregularities in the NSU Cashier's Office and immediately requested assistance from the state legislative auditor's office in investigating the apparent improprieties."

On March 7 Kyle began investigating records from Aug. 1 1991 to Aug. 31, 1994 while Cathy Boswell was head cashier.

One of her duties as head cashier was to "replenish cash in the vault as necessary." She would prepare a written request for a check from the University and the University police would cash it and bring her the money. The auditor report revealed that Boswell "requested cash in excess of what was necessary to replenish the vault."

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>
> **Dr. Rober A. Alost, Northwestern President**

During an interview March 8 with Boswell she admitted falsifying or altering documents to conceal the excess she would take. She would then take the excess cash and use it for personal use.

According to the University's fiscal affairs office and internal auditor, Boswell "requested at least $66,486 in cash that cannot be accounted for."

The auditor's report has been turned over to Mike Henry, the Natchitoches Parish district attorney, Alost said.

University officials discussed the case with Henry Monday and as of now no charges have been made. According to the district attorney's office the city and campus police are still investigating the case.

## World Report

### CAMPUS

**FORMER GOVERNOR TO SPEAK THURSDAY:** Gov. Buddy Roemer is scheduled to speak at 10 a.m. Thursday in the Ballroom. This is the second gubernatorial candidate to speak at Northwestern. Sen. Mike Foster, another gubernatorial speaker, will not speak March 29th as previously scheduled.
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**FOUR STUDENTS RECEIVE AWARDS AT JOURNALISM CONFERENCE:** Competing with 33 other universities throughout the South, four students received awards during the Southeastern Journalism Conference Feb. 23-25 in Atlanta. Jeff Guin won third place for best editorial page layout and Andrew Martin won second place for best editorial column. Dwayne Jones won second place for best feature artwork and Jeff Burkett received an honorable mention for best broadcast commercial. The *Current Sauce* won an honorable mention for best overall paper. This was the first year Northwestern journalism students competed.

### CITY

**NEW NOISE ORDINANCE BEGAN WEDNESDAY:** Last Wednesday, a new noise ordinance went into effect. The new ordinance lists what noise levels are acceptable and unacceptable. According to Natchitoches Police Chief Keith Thompson, the department plans to purchase a noise meter to determine violators. First time "noise" offenders can receive a fine up to $250 plus court costs.

### STATE

**RAPIDES PARISH SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT REINSTATED:** Betty Cox was reinstated by U.S. District Judge Nauman Scott after a week of suspension. Last week the school board voted to suspend Cox because of her hiring methods and other matters.

### NATION

**COMICS IN CLASS:** Entertaining reading assignments may seem like an oxymoron to many college students. But not so for students in a class taught by University of Connecticut Professor Thomas Roberts. Instead of plodding through hundreds of pages of long descriptions, his students pour through comic books, such as *Batman: The Dark Knight Returns*. Roberts' course is on graphic novels, which resemble comic books. As students become familiar with characters such as Batman and the Sandman, students learn about the major achievements in comics and about comics as an art form, Roberts said.

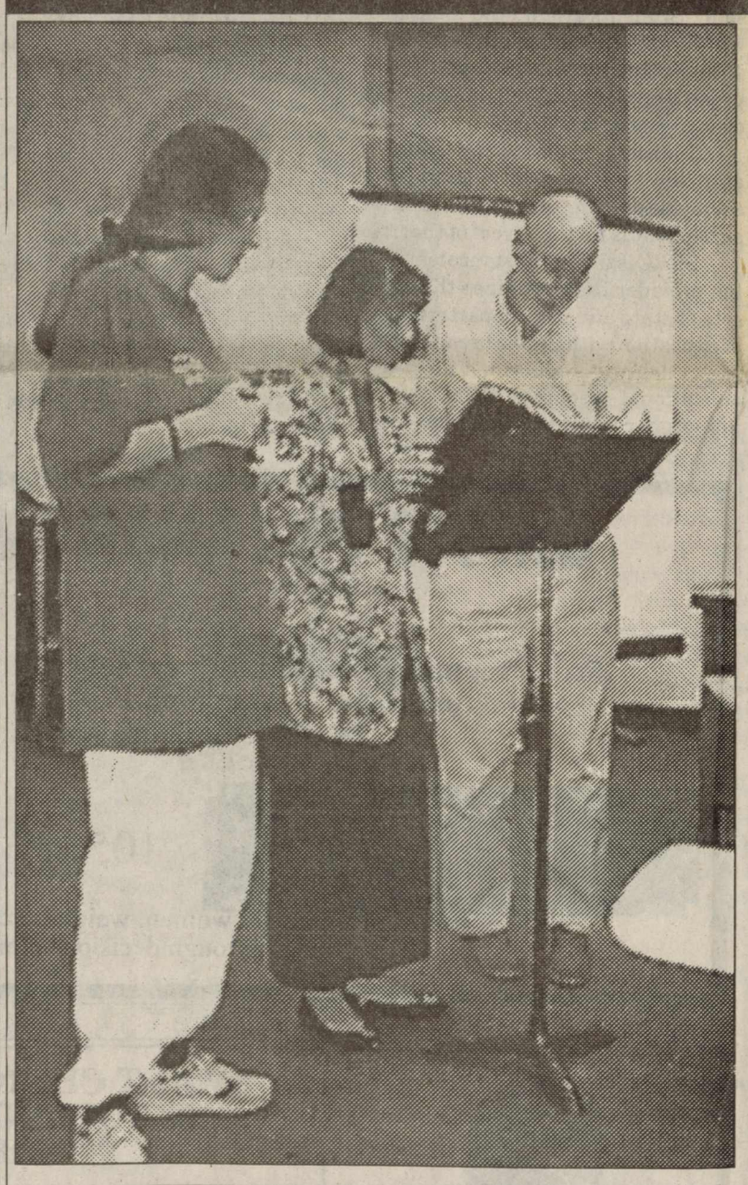
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## Tuning in...



**(Above) Dr. Dennette McDermott (center), professor of music, answers questions after performing various flute selections during Research Day last Wednesday. Students (pictured left) could attend lectures on chemical applications to the nature of hyperconjugation. Northwestern holds Research Day every year to give faculty and guest speakers the opportunity to share their research with students.**

## 'Expert witness' speaks on Twinkie defense, neurology

DEREK RABUCK
*Current Sauce*

"You have to take people's public statements with a grain of salt," Dr. Harold L. Klawans, guest speaker for the Eighth Annual Research Day, said.

Dr. Klawans, a professor of neurology and pharmacology at Rush Medical College in Chicago, Illinois, spoke to nearly 300 people on Wednesday about how he has testified as an expert witness in over 400 trials.

Klawans has written four novels *Sins of Commission*, *Informed Consent*, *Jerusalem Code*, and *Deadly Medicine*. His four non-fiction works include *Toscanini's Fumble*, *Newton's Madness*, *Trials of An Expert Witness*, and *Life, Death and In Between*.

Klawans, who is an expert authority on Parkinson's Disease, Huntington's Disease and Tourette's Syndrome, has been called in to testify in malpractice cases and in cases dealing with the ethics of medicine, to name a few.

Klawans talked about how an expert witness differs from a normal witness, in the way that an expert witness is not a witness of fact. Unlike a normal witness, Klawans explained that an expert witness can give an opinion and is voluntarily recruited to appear before a court.

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> **Dr. Harold L. Klawans, professor of neurology and pharmacology at Rush University**

Though he primarily talked about neurology in respect to criminal cases, Klawans did take time to talk about some humorous occurrences he has ran across while testifying as an expert witness.

One humorous twist that Klawans talked about occurred in a trial held in San Francisco in 1978. A double murder had been committed and the defense had entered a plea of "diminished capacity," which means that an outside source influenced the committing of the crime.

This particular defense said that eating Twinkies had influenced the defendant to commit the murders and hence the defense was nicknamed the "Twinkie defense."

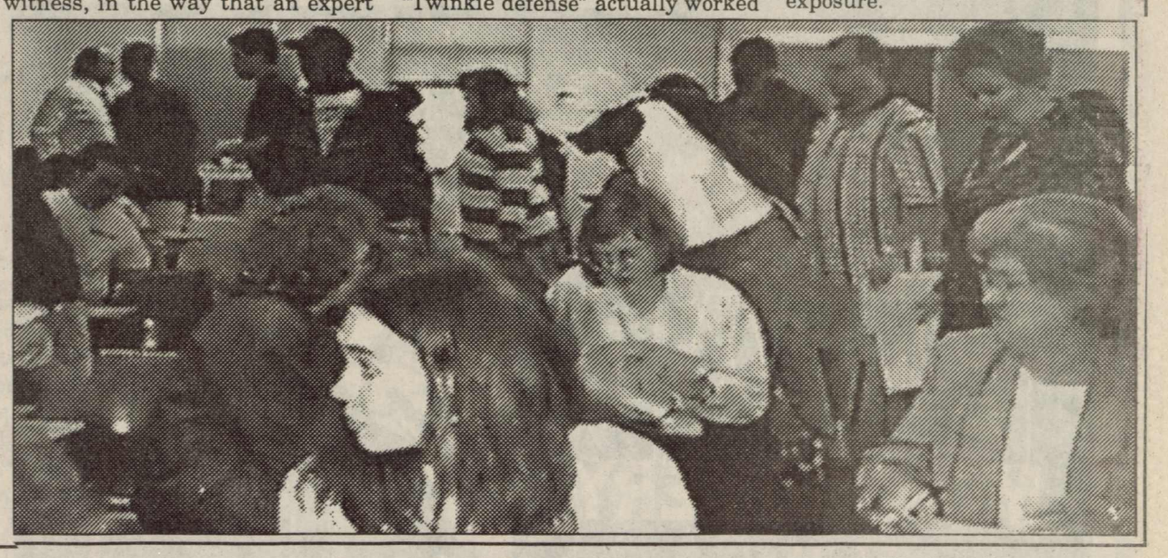
The real twist came when the "Twinkie defense" actually worked and the defendant was found not guilty.

Another humorous incident that Klawans talked about was a case involving the selling of a two year supply of amphetamines to a woman, by her doctor, before she moved to a state where an amphetamine prescription is hard to receive.

What made this case so interesting was the fact that when Klawans was called to testify, he found himself opposing one of the "Twinkie defense's" expert witnesses.

Klawans informed the woman's lawyer about the previous case involving the Twinkies and this helped to win the lawsuit.

Klawans finished up his speech by telling how he was called to testify as the first witness for the defense in the Jack Kvorkian murder trial, which had gained national exposure.



## Black American literature topic of new course

### Grambling professor to teach course in the fall

SARAH CROOKS
*Current Sauce*

Northwestern students will be given the chance to study black American literature in a course taught by visiting professor Dr. Floyd Coleman of Grambling State University next fall.

According to Dr. Garry Ross, of the Department of Language and Communications, this course is something that students have been requesting for some time.

"This is something we've wanted to offer and we now have the opportunity," Ross said.

Coleman is an associate professor of English at Grambling with 32 years of teaching experience. He has taught this black American literature course for nine years at Grambling.

"We're very pleased that he has agreed to do this," Ross said. "We have wanted an outstanding expert in African-American studies to come here and do a course for us for some time."

English 3850-01 45N, Afro-American literature, will be offered from 6 to 8 p.m. on Monday. It will count as an upper-level elective.

Coleman's goal for the students who take his class is "to be able to appreciate man's identity and his search for himself," at the end of the semester.

This class has been offered in the past but this is the first time a visiting professor has been scheduled to teach the course. According to Ross, whether or not this class will be offered in the future, depends on how well it is received by the students.

The concept of visiting professors is new to Northwestern but seems to be catching on.

Other departments plan to invite instructors from other Universities to offer courses like this one after next fall.

By inviting visiting professors to teach classes, the University is able to find experts to teach classes that might not normally be offered.

"I think that the University needs to do this sort of thing regularly," Ross said.

Some of the authors and works to be studied in the Afro-American literature course are *Your Blues Ain't my Blues* by B.B. Campbell, Richard Wright's *Native Son* and *Black Boy*, and *Invisible* by Ralph Ellison. Poetry by Sterling Brown, Langston Hughes and Gwendolyn Brooks as well as some drama will be discussed.

For more information of the course contact Ross at 357-6272.

**Featured Authors in the Black American literature course:**

*YOUR BLUES AIN'T MY BLUES*
BY B.B. CAMPBELL

*NATIVE SON, BLACK BOY*
BY RICHARD WRIGHT

*INVISIBLE*
BY RALPH ELLISON

# News Briefs

Tuesday, March 21, 1995

## Chopin conference to southern identity

Two eminent scholars have been chosen as the featured speakers for the Fourth Biennial Kate Chopin Conference that will be held at Northwestern April 6-8.

The theme of the conference will be *Kate Chopin's South: Race, Ethnicity, and Regional Identity.* This conference will compare Chopin's work to the work of other writers concerned with race or ethnicity or which examine the social, political, and economic contexts through which these issues can be better understood.

Several of Chopin's works were set in Natchitoches Parish.The featured speakers for the conference are Dr. Helen Taylor, senior lecturer in American literature in the Department of English and Comparative Literary Studies at the University of Warwick, England, and Dr. Emily Toth, professor of English at Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge.

Taylor will be the conference's keynote speaker. Her topic will be *The Clandestine City: New Orleans in the Fiction of Kate Chopin.* In her talk, Taylor will examine Chopin's work as typical of popular female representations of New Orleans from the late 19th century into the 20th century.

She will also explore Chopin's original contribution to the body of work on New Orleans.

Toth will hold a workshop, *How to Write about Women's Lives.* She will discuss how to do preliminary research, choosing a subject, what materials are trustworthy, how to do reserarch on the long-dead while avoiding problems of presentism, and why biographies of black women are not being written.

Toth, a researcher of Chopin's life and work for 25 years, is the author of the biography *Kate Chopin* which won the Outstanding Academic Book Award from Choice magazine and was nominated for a Pulitzer Prize.

Registration for the conference is $30, $15 for graduate students and free to all NSU students. For more information on the conference, call (318) 357-4444.



**Students hunt for clues Thursday night during a scavenger hunt. The event was sponsored by the Student Activities Board.** PHOTO BY JONATHAN WALLACE

## Roemer to speak Thursday

Former Gov. Buddy Roemer will appear at Northwestern at 10 a.m. Thursday in the Ballroom. He will address higher education and other issues facing Louisiana. Roemer's speech is sponsored by the Student Government Association.

Roemer was governor from 1988 until 1992. He was a member of Congress from 1980 until 1988, serving a district covering northwest and west central Louisiana.

During the 1987 gubernatorial campaign, Roemer pulled off one of the biggest upsets in recent Louisiana political history, moving from fifth in the polls to first place in the general election in a matter of weeks. He was defeated for re-election in 1991.

After leaving the governor's office in 1992, Roemer started the Sterling Group, an international business consulting group advising Louisiana companies how to increase business with Central and South America and prepare for the 21st century.

Roemer lives in Baton Rouge and is the father of three children, Caroline, Chas and Dakota.

The talk is the first in a series planned by the SGA to bring candidates in this fall's elections to Natchitoches and Northwestern.

## Science program to broadcast nationwide

Northwestern's award winning science program, *Science: Out of This World* will be broadcast to students around the nation beginning this fall.

The program is produced by the Space Science Group and the Louisiana Instructional Satellite Telecommunications Network at Northwestern.

*Science: Out of This World* will be offered to schools in 27 states by SERC, the Satellite Education Resources Consortium, Inc. SERC, based in Columbia, S.C. offers high school credit courses in math, science, foreign languages and social studies courses. Since 1989, SERC has served more than 30,000 students in schools across the nation. The consortium also provides interdisciplinary seminars and special programming that address important issues facing educators.

"This is a very big step for us," Dr. Austin Temple, director of NSU's Division of Mathematics and Science and the Space Science Group, said. "Students around the country will be able to learn math and science in the same way that hundreds of students in Louisiana have over the past two years.

Teachers, students and evaluators have told us that we produce an outstanding program. This agreement is further proof of that."

SERC is the only distance learning provider that combines the assets of state and local departments of education with public broadcasting to design, produce and deliver educational resources. SERC is a non-profit corporation that receives funding from the U.S. Department of Education Star School Program, private agencies and foundations.

Programs provided by SERC are designed to provide equity in education for economically and geographically disadvantaged schools while allowing students to participate in courses outside their school curriculum.

Temple said the program should be broadcast to approximately 15,000 students during the 1995-96 school year and 20-25 thousand students in 1996-97. He said that State Superintendent of Education Dr. Raymond Arveson and Louisiana Public Broadcasting Executive Director Beth Courtney were instrumental in helping NSU gain approval to broadcast the program through SERC.

*Science: Out of This World* was a Gold Medal Winner at the 1995 New York Festivals. For more information on the course, call (318) 357-5186 or 1-800-259-9555.

## Sex doesn't always attract TV viewers

Sex doesn't necessarily sell.

Or so says a Southern Illinois University professor who recently looked at the relationship between sexual content and ratings success on TV.

Jon A. Shilder, an advertising executive-turned-communications SIU teacher, tallied the sexually suggestive dialogue and behavior in 156 prime-time programs that ran on ABC, CBS, NBC and Fox.

"Sexual content by itself does not draw viewers," he says. "If it did, sexually rife shows would always win the ratings race. But they don't. They finish at both ends of the popularity spectrum. Some rise to Top 10 status, and others bomb."

Shidler measured popularity as total viewing households as tallied in A.C. Nielsen Ratings.

"The study affirms the view that hit shows combine good writing, acting, plots and interesting visuals," he said. "Sex alone won't propel a show to the top."


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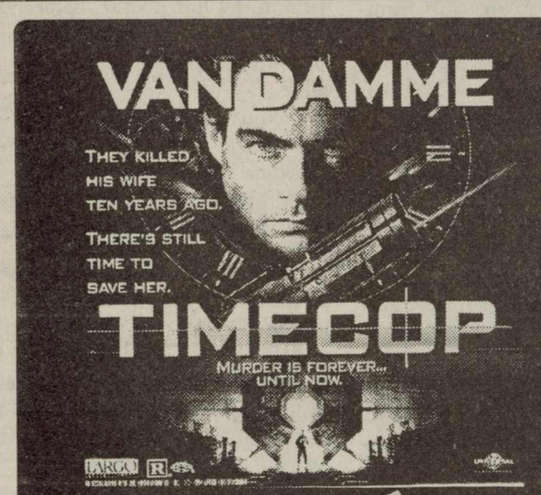
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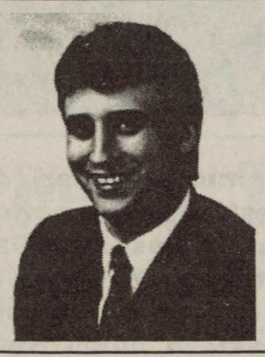
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# Financial aid process dependant on deadlines

BRIDGETTE M. MORVANT
*Current Sauce*

What image is called to mind when the words Financial Aid Office are uttered? For many students the words conjure visions of a brick wall of frustration or an impenetrable fortress of waiting lines and busy signals.

However, Mike Fuller, assistant financial aid director, has a different attitude — for him the cornerstone of the office is deadlines. Fuller, a Natchitoches native and graduate of Northwestern, has worked in the Financial Aid Office for almost three years, mostly dealing with loans.

"What a lot of them [students] don't understand is we have a lot of deadlines that they don't meet and that once a student doesn't meet the deadline that puts us in a bind to get the paperwork ready for the following year," Fuller said.

To understand the importance of the deadlines, one must understand the financial aid process. According to Fuller, students fill out and mail off a Free Application for Student Financial Aid. These forms are processed at an office in Iowa and the information is downloaded back to Northwestern via computer, where it is transferred to various officers.

The Northwestern staff consists of many members performing many functions. According to Fuller they include a verification officer, an officer who pulls the computerized information from Iowa, entry clerks who key in requests from students, an officer who prepares checks for distribution from the Cashiers Office, an officer who handles special circumstances and an officer who handles transfer students. "If they're coming in we have to see what type of aid they had at other institutions and tell other institutions what type of aid the student had here," Fuller said.

Of course, as financial aid director, Gil Gilson is ultimately responsible for all the federal programs. Gilson, with the help of coordinators, also oversees the management and budgeting of the Financial Aid Office, the Student Employment Office and the Scholarship Office.

In order for the paperwork to go through this entire process in time for a student to know what aid he or she is receiving before the beginning of the semester, the deadline must be met, according to Fuller.

"And an example of that would be in order for students to get loans and everything on time for this coming fall semester they have to have paperwork to us by May 1 — that is our deadline," he said.

"Any students whose paperwork is in before May 1, then they will have aid ready to go for the fall semester. Any student who turns in paperwork in after that May 1 deadline, it is first come first serve after we get the applicants who made the deadline process."

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> **Mike Fuller,**
> **Assistant Financial Aid Director**

Unfortunately , Fuller said that about 4,000 students turn in their applications late, the majority coming in June to July.

Fuller said that the combination of the numerous late applications and the smallness of the financial aid staff cause problems and delays in the processing.

". . . . If we can encourage the students to meet our deadline and they do it we won't have a problem because I'll have more than enough time to get the paperwork processed,"he said.

The Financial Aid Office recently reached its deadline for summer financial aid. The office began taking the forms on Jan. 1 and the deadline was March 15. However, according to Fuller, late applications are already coming into the office.

Fuller said that those applications that were turned in on time are guaranteed to be processed by the start of the summer semester and the late applications are being handled on a first come first serve basis.

"I promised everybody that if they had their app. in by March 15, they'll know what they're getting for summer school and they will if I've got to work until 2 o'clock in the morning," he said. "If they [the students] meet the deadlines then this whole office is happy; I'm happy. You know really I can't stress enough that [the deadline] is the key."

Fuller said that the Financial Aid Office has implemented policies designed to better accommodate the students. One example is limiting the amount of paperwork required for financial aid/loan applications.

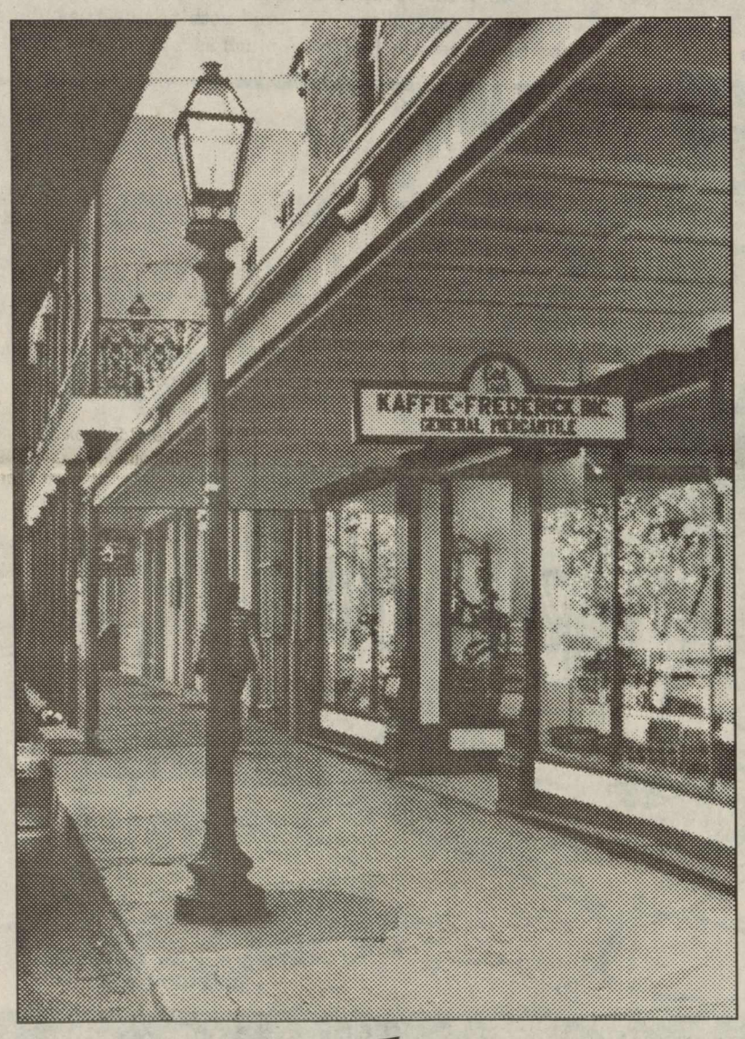
Students need only fill out a student aid report and a data form, unless that student is chosen for verification in which case a copy of taxes and verification form are also required.

"In the past we had needed five, six, seven documents from a student before we could process the paperwork so now a student only has to turn in, you know, two documents in order to get any type of loans or grants or things of that nature," Fuller said. "Next year, we're going to move to where the only thing the student has to turn in is a data form, unless they're chosen for verification."

Also, the office has adopted a new policy for financial aid counseling. Students can come to the office on an open house basis any time between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. to speak to financial aid counselors, but an appointment is needed to see Fuller himself.

"I have a lot of meetings and things; that's why I have an appointment schedule blocked up," he said. "It seems to work very well for the students. The problem that we used to have is students would come and they would pile up in the lobby and they would wait and they would wait and wait and I may be 15 minutes with a student."

Students come by the Financial Aid Office for many reasons, among them to check on refunds owed by the University. According to Fuller, refunds from scholarships or Pell Grants are handled by the Cashiers Office and not the Financial Aid Office. Fuller said that members of his office do compile a list of the students requesting refunds and send this list to the Cashiers Office where the checks are dispersed.




# CLANG, CLANG, CLANG WENT THE TROLLEY

BRIDGETTE M. MORVANT
*Current Sauce*

The sky is blue, the sun is shining. A cool breeze blows through your hair, dispelling the early spring heat. A day like this is perfect — for seeing Natchitoches on the trolley car tour.

The trolley car is owned by Carolyn Bynog and Chuck Nance is located by Cane River Lake, near the Rouque House. Tours are given by Bynog, Nance and Tom Huff at 11 a.m., 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. seven days a week. An additional tour is given at 5 p.m. on Saturdays.

Also available are boat tours along Cane River Lake. Interested students should call 352-7093 to find out the boat's daily schedule and to make tour reservations for groups. All tours are open only if weather permits.In the summer, paddle boats are also available for rent. This is ideal for students who are interested in site-seeing along Cane River Lake -- and getting a little exercise.

Many students may be familiar with the trolley car, but may not have considered taking the tour.

The tour provides useful information for tourists and newcomers to Natchitoches. Many of the sites noted on the tour are familiar to anyone having resided in Natchitoches for some time, such as the shops on Front Street, the churches on Second Street and prominent historic buildings and bed and breakfast inns.

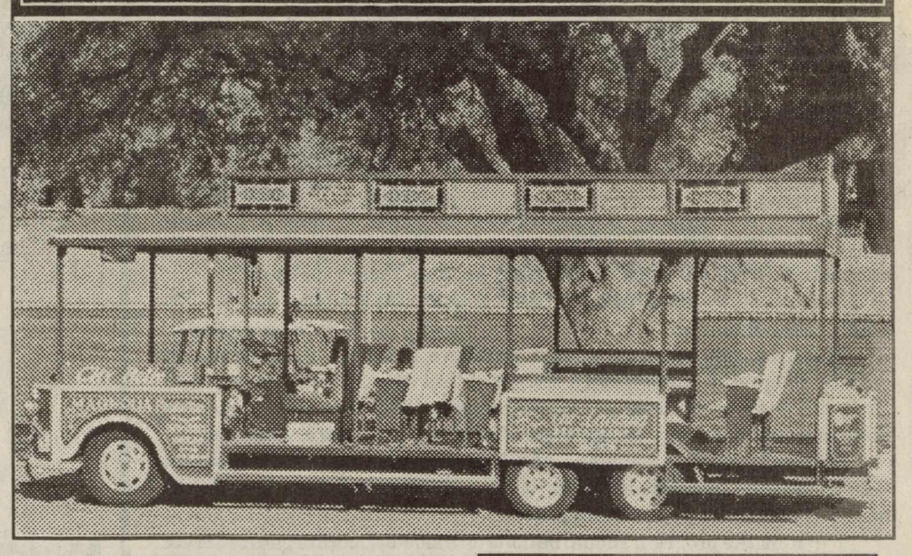
However, the tour also points out more obscure sites such as the old Cotton Exchange Offices on Horne Street and the original site of Ft. St. Jean Baptiste and filming sites from *Steel Magnolias*. In addition the tour guides share lots of interesting tidbits of Natchitoches history all served up with lots of humor.

Most importantly, the tour may give students ideas of new places to explore in more depth later.

**(left) The many shops and restaurants of Front Street are among the first sites noted on the Natchitoches trolley tour. (Right) The City Belle remains parked in the shade when not carrying tourists around the city.**

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## WHAT TO DO IN NATCHITOCHES



# *Senior attributes success to 'happy accidents'*

Daryl Lathon, a Louisiana Scholars' College senior from Shreveport, attributes the driving force in his life to one phrase, "I can do better than that."

However, most of the things that have happened to him have been "happy accidents." But both of these things can be said of his upcoming production *Hearts and Thoughts*.

In order to fulfill his thesis requirements in fine and performing arts with a theater emphasis, Lathon created the original drama and has followed it through all stages of production. *Hearts and Thoughts* will be presented at 7 and 9 p.m. March 22 in Theatre West.

From an early age, Lathon was interested in entertaining.

"I would watch actors on television and say 'I can do that better than those people,'" Lathon said. "Then in high school, I knew a guy in an acting class and one day I told him, 'I can do that better.' So to prove to him and myself, I took Speech II, which was theater."

In the beginning, Lathon had plans to attend Washington & Lee University and major in business. He applied, was accepted and even received a scholarship.

"I had it all planned out. I was going to major in a secure field of study at a very prestigious school," Lathon said. "With a degree from there, you're set for, but something wasn't quite right about it. So, I decided to take time off from school.

"I was glad I did take a year off, too, because I found my way to Northwestern," Lathon added. "I guess it was just a happy accident."

After about a year, Lathon decided to give college a try, so he enrolled in Scholars' College.

"I thought that I should be doing something and I didn't want to sit at home for another year," Lathon said. "I had a lot more energy coming into the program than most incoming freshmen. So when I decided to go to college, I wanted to continue doing theater.

"I ended up doing so much theater, it became my second major," Lathon said. "I wasn't necessarily planning to spend my life doing this, but I didn't realize I could earn a living at it. It also become a happy accident."

Upon attending Scholars' College and Northwestern, Lathon has realized that it is where he needed to be at this point and time. He's comfortable and enjoys what he does, but handling Scholars' College and a theater major can be difficult at times.

"To say the least, it's challenging. It takes up a lot of your time," Lathon said. "Trying to maintain the same kind of status in theater and Scholars' College drained me at times, but it was well worth it."

Lathon began working on his senior thesis in the summer of 1993 and has been working on it off and on since then. Even during holiday breaks, Lathon was working on his play. He always had an end product in mind, but he couldn't necessarily define and expand on it as he wanted.

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>
> **Daryl Lathon,**
> **senior, Scholars' College**

During the summer of 1994, when he was at Horsecave Theatre in Kentucky, Lathon achieved exactly what he wanted. He was sharing an apartment with several other people when one night in his room he sat and listened to all that was going on around him.

"Not that I was eavesdropping, but the walls were very thin in our apartment and I could hear every conversation going on around me," Lathon said. "Observing this made me realize exactly what I wanted to achieve with this play.

"I was trying in essence to capture life on stage," Lathon added. "Theater is one moment of life presented on a stage."

*Hearts and Thoughts* takes place in a city park around a bench and examines the lives of those people who pass by this bench. It's an ensemble play revolving around the characters and not the time or location that the play is set in. "In a way it's very much like Chekhov because it's not plot driven," Lathon said. "It's about characters and people."

Originally, Lathon needed five men and seven women. However since only three men auditioned, he had to rewrite the script. "I had to do a little rewriting and I actually like what I had to change better," Lathon said. "I'm keeping it that way. It's just another happy accident."

Lathon plans to graduate in May and it has only taken him four years to achieve all the requirements for two diverse majors. "If you concentrate you can do it," he said. "A lot of people just get distracted or get very comfortable with college and they don't want to leave because there's a certain amount of security. This is especially true for theater majors because it is a very insecure profession.

"Jobs usually only last a year and then you have to find another, but here you have the security of knowing what the next production will be," Lathon added. "I'll miss it, but it's time for me to move on."

*Hearts and Thoughts* is free and open to the public.

## FAVORITE TEACHER CONTEST

Do you have a favorite instructor here at Northwestern — someone who has made your college experience more fulfilling? The *Current Sauce* would like to provide you with a chance to reward your favorite teacher for his or her educational expertise.

To do this, we are instituting a Favorite Teacher Contest. Students may enter the name of their favorite instructor. The teacher with the most entries will be featured by the *Current Sauce* in the March 28 issue.

To enter your favorite teacher, please cut out and bring this ballot to Rm. 225 Kyser Hall. Deadline for entries is March 21.

**FAVORITE TEACHER CONTEST**

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**Our**View

## Eye of the Beholder

Now that Northwestern has its own official version of Front Street, the *Current Sauce* editorial staff felt it was time for us to re-evaluate our position on campus beautification. Typically, this year's editorial staff, and that of every editorial staff this decade, has written against the project. But this is the first year that Northwestern has seen any meaningful progress in making the campus more beautiful. Heretofore, all we've had to show from this drain of student tuition is the closing of much-needed parking lots.

Even now, with the pretty new bricks gracing the former Kyser Hall parking lot, Northwestern brass (and we don't mean band people) insists on planting trees in the middle of it. And, in case no one noticed, God didn't make trees to grow in parking lots; that's why most of the ones planted up to now have died.

Despite the obviously strange thinking behind some of the policies, we do have to say that we now see the possible good in campus beautification.

The campus, though already naturally beautiful, has the chance to gain refinement—an elegance, if you will—on the scale of some Ivy League universities. This will definitely be responsible for hooking the prospective student. But hooking them is one thing, keeping them is another.

"...When a student gets here, his or her expectations are built on a pretty campus and a few recruiters who do their jobs very well. But what do those students get when classes start?"

Northwestern has a problem with keeping its students happy. The result is low retention.

This is because when the student gets here, his or her expectations are built on the pretty campus and a few recruiters who do their job very well. But what do those students get after classes start? Underfunded academic programs and not many things to do off campus and on the weekends.

This will probably come as a shock to several of our readers, but we believe campus beautification has a place at Northwestern, though not nearly on the scale we are seeing now.

We think the program should be done on a slower, more organized level. This may allow some of the funds to be pumped into academics and teacher pay so new students will have something to stay for when they get here. After all, academics are the reason universities exist.

Or even better, create a program which gives students something to do on weekends. Or, channel the funds to organizations that could pull this off. Making the campus more attractive in this way will go a lot further than planting increasing numbers of trees and plants.

The short version of our stance is this, if the University is determined to go through with the program, we're game. But we'd still rather have the parking lot.

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## Legality doesn't ensure morality



**Gene**Watts

**A View From Above**

The maternal instinct is the most powerful force in the world. One only has to notice how females of any age can display love and devotion to children who aren't even their own."

Many people feel that the absence of earthly justice will be rectified in the afterlife; that in ther hereafter all of us will meet our just rewards and punishments.

Whether or not there is an afterlife is a matter of theological dispute. Until it can be proven, its existence is mere conjecture, pure speculation, without even hearsay to sustain our faith. As there is no evidence of an eternal judge, we must rely on history to be the supreme arbiter of mortal behavior.

Abortion is the perversion of the maternal instinct. That is why it inspires revulsion in so many people. Many people are opposed to abortion on religious grounds, but it goes much deeper than that. They are experiencing something primitive, something they cannot name in their opposition. Such a force is why Susan Smith may die for her crime.

The cold war over abortion has been fought on many battlefields over the years. The latest proxy war is over the confirmation of Henry Foster as the nation's surgeon general. Dr. Foster was chosen by Bill Clinton to replace outgoing Joycelyn Elders, who one Republican called "a campaign ad waiting to happen."

As usual with Clinton nominees, the White House has thoroughly botched the job. Dr. Foster claimed at first to have performed only one abortion, then a dozen. After finally getting his story straight, he settled on 39.

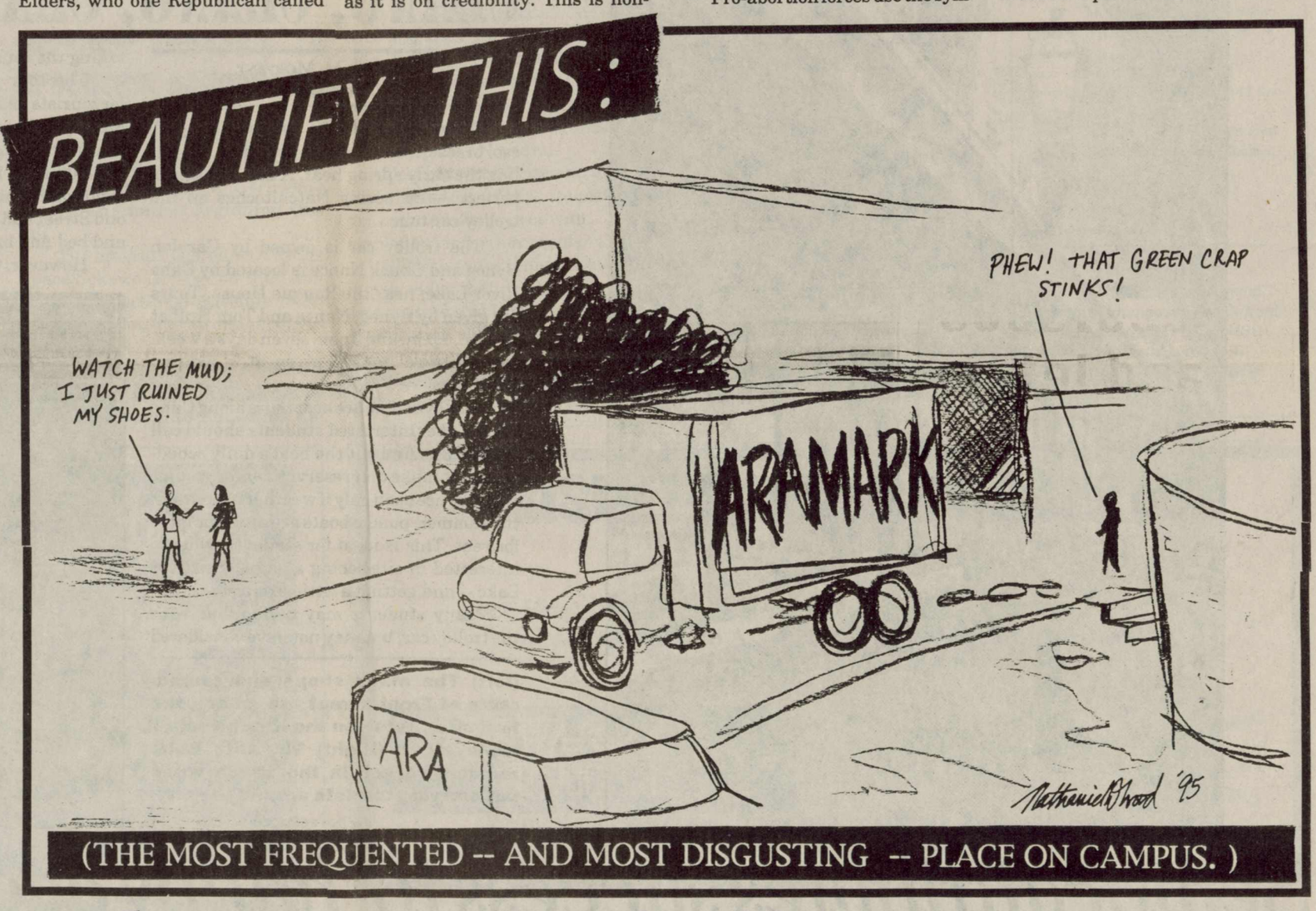
He also sterilized retarded women in the 1970s. Republicans maintain their opposition is based not so much on the issue of abortion as it is on credibility. This is nonsense. It is abortion they are opposed to in this nomination. That is as it should be.

Defenders of Dr. Foster like to point out that abortion is after all legal. Pat Shroeder goes to great pains to remind us that it is legal. Nina Lowey went on *Crossfire* to proclaim the legality of abortion. Nobody questions the legality of abortion. Trite as it may sound, legality does not mean morality.

Pro-abortion forces use the symbol of the coat hanger to remind us that before Roe vs. Wade, women had to seek out abortions in dangerous, squalid, criminally-run back alley operations. Well, to run the risk of sounding extreme, killing an unborn child should be shameful; it should be squalid and it should be criminal. That's the point. It is immoral.

Slavery before 1862 was legal. Hitler came to power legally. The Holocaust was legal as was genetic experimentation on twins. Our treatment of Native Americans was legal. All of these programs had supporters who loudly proclaimed their "by the book" legality. History has seen fit to judge accordingly.

The maternal instinct is the most powerful force in the world. One only has to notice how females of any age can display love and devotion to children who aren't even theirs, who may, in fact, be complete strangers. Despite what some feminists may believe, this is not because they were brainwashed by some conspiratorial patriarchy who forced dolls into their hands when they were children. It is their nature and nothing unsettles humanity so much as a perversion of nature.




## Where in the hell am I going?



**Judy**Giles

**So What I'm Saying Is...**

1961 was a banner year in my life. I graduated from Garland High school, which at that time remained some what distinguishable from the Dallas city limits, "made" my 18th birthday, and promptly joined the Navy. Please trust me, during the '60s, it was *definitely* non-traditional for a young lady to join the service!

Unable to afford college tuition (financial aid as we now know it was a thing of the future), and demoralized that the required age for an airline stewardess was 21, I literally *dove* into the *waves*!

The priority of goals among my graduating peers, it seemed was marriage and children, hopefully in that order (society was not ready to deal with many social issues) . Alternative career choices were not exciting enough for a brand new grownup like me. Thus, on Aug. 1, another recruit, Laura (nicknamed TEX) and I boarded a passenger train in Dallas, enroute to Recruit Training Women, Bainbridge, Maryland. Attired in new suits, hats, gloves and of course high heels, it was painfully obvious that we had no clue as to where we were going! (in more ways than one).

The Dallas recruiter had placed me "in charge" and I felt very responsible and sophisticated as I carried the "sealed envelope" into the Pullman car which would be ours for 2 nights. The instructions were to get off the train at Washington and take a cab to the bus station for the ride to Bainbridge, Maryland.

Neither of us had been out of the Lone Star state except for a quick trip to Louisiana and Florida as children. Both of us were scared to death that we would miss our connection and be thrown in some kind of brig!

Unable to admit our ignorance of geography, we asked the porter to bring us a map of Virginia and one of Maryland. We sat up both nights, searching those maps for the city of Washington. (After all, there might be one in each of the states).

We remained clueless as we got in the cab and it proceeded down Pennsylvania Ave. Over to the left I spotted a large white domed building. Wow!

Now seeing the chance to solve this two-day dilemma, I politely asked the driver, "what is the domed building?" Sounding a little surprised, "that is the Capital Dome," he said. The suspense was too great as TEX inquired, "Capitol of *what*?"

After the driver regained his composure from laughing, and told us that we were in the same city as President John F. Kennedy ( incidentally, our new commander-in-chief).

We both came unglued! We spent too much cab fare sight-seeing for the next hour, reached the bus station just in time to purchase all the JFK postcards we could find and hurriedly write home to our mothers: *Guess where we are!*

This embarrassing tale has a point, and that is our perceptions of places and locations sometimes don't match reality.

I admit, despite Texas education systems best effort, and regardless that I passed geography, I boarded that train with the assumption that we were going to a city called Washington, naturally of no real significance, since my assumption was that *Washington D.C.* was located up in the left hand corner of the United States Map!

Can any of you relate to this?

Geography professor, Brad Bayes, (by way of consoling me) offered the results of an Informal geographical literacy test.

It is comprised of three areas: The Information Surface, The Ignorance Surface and the Residential Preference Surface. His findings were typical, that knowledge of place is best for local area and region. NSU students on Residential Preference, tend to be affected by their information about other places and this largely conforms to current national patterns of Residential Migration. Highly preferred are the metropolitan areas of Dallas, Houston, Atlanta and Nashville , located in the southern sun-belt. Louisiana and Mississippi scored lower on Residential Preference than other southern places.

The results of Professor Bayes anonymous surveys revealed some most interesting misconceptions of many freshmen at Northwestern in the year 1995.

Geography has not been given it's rightful importance in education, it would appear, for a long period of time (at least as long as I have struggled with Geography and Math LAG) Professor Bayes research findings will be expanded in a later column.

So what I have been saying is...

Before you reach my age and your life experience reads like "Humor In Uniform" (*Reader's Digest*), sign up for a SERIOUS geography course. I am living proof that it is never too late to learn. Although, I don't know if Mrs. Veuleman would agree in my case.

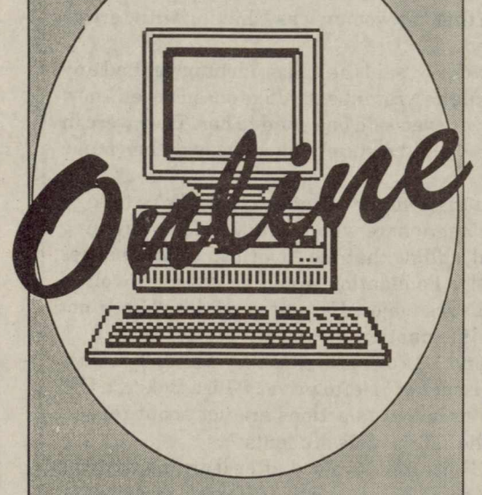
# CampusForum

Tuesday, March 21, 1995

News and Views from the Northwestern Community

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## Write a letter to the editor




## Call the *Current Sauce* on the internet at NSGUI3005 and let us know what you think about campus and student issues.

# Find new employment opportunities at the crosswalks

## Anyone can qualify though you could say the benefits are lacking

DENNIS H. CLARKSTON



**Forum**Viewpoint

This section provides readers the opportunity to express their views in a column-type format. Each submission should be between 400-600 words and include the author's signature and phone number. Columns must be written professionally and include no personal controversy. They are due Friday before the Tuesday publication.

People discover a new career choice and the position's title is the "Pedestrian Hood Ornament."

Students attend universities to pursue various career choices: education, computer information systems, nursing, English and many others.

This course is not in any college catalog. It is not that the new career is prestigious, but matter of fact, it is a short-lived position and usually involuntarily taken.

In my opinion, it must be popular. I observe several people each day who attempt to embark on this new career of "pedestrian hood ornament."

To become a hood ornament is fairly easy, it's a job one can just step into. Just entering a crosswalk without looking both ways for cars is all it takes.

I close my eyes, so I can imagine what it would be like to take on the vocation as a "pedestrian hood ornament." There I'd be thrust upon the hood rather quickly with the original ornament located up into my "nether region." Here, I'd be sitting on the hood with my eyes wide open and the sound "Aiyeeeee" emanating from my mouth.

After thinking about the career change for a few minutes, I concluded that I would prefer not to take on this new job. Yes, it is a high visability position, and one can work in the fresh air and sunshine, but the disadvantages far outweigh the advantages. The sudden placement into the position is painful; the pay is non-existent; not to mention the bugs that get into one's eyes and mouth. Though the ingested bugs are a rich form of protein, they wouldn't taste too great.

"To become a hood ornament is fairly easy, it's a job one can just step into. Just entering a crosswalk without looking both ways for cars is all it takes."

I am curious about how other people feel about this career change, though I have not met with too much enthusiasm. But I see quite a few people that are aching to take on the job.

They walk into the street, whether they are at a crosswalk or not, without looking to see if there is a vehicle coming.

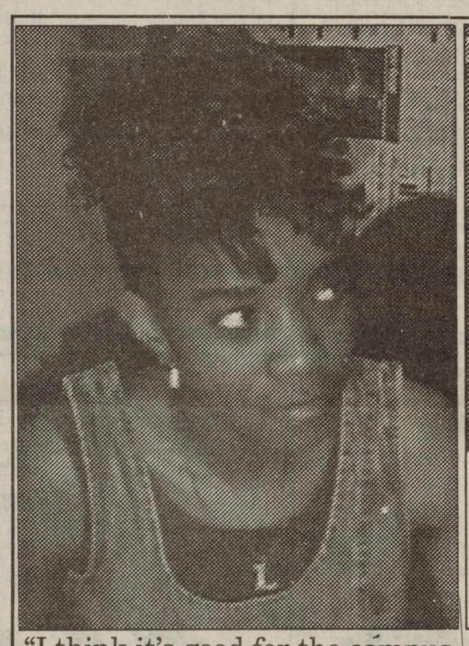
Yeah, I've read and heard that pedestrians have right of way. What would I rather choose when approaching a crosswalk: be right while being terrified while rolling over the top or under the bottom of a car or take the precaution of looking both ways before entering the crosswalk?

I choose the latter because I do not like pain.

It does not matter to me whether I have right of way when entering the cross walk. I'll still be the one in pain on the ground, and the driver is standing on his two good legs looking down at my broken body.

So, I always make a point to look both ways before entering a crosswalks. This, I believe, greatly increases my chance to graduate in two years. Wouldn't you think so?

## CurrentQuotes What's your opinion of Campus Beautification



"I think it's good for the campus but too expensive. We need more parking spaces."

***--DeAdrian Alexander***
***Junior, Hospitality/Tourism***



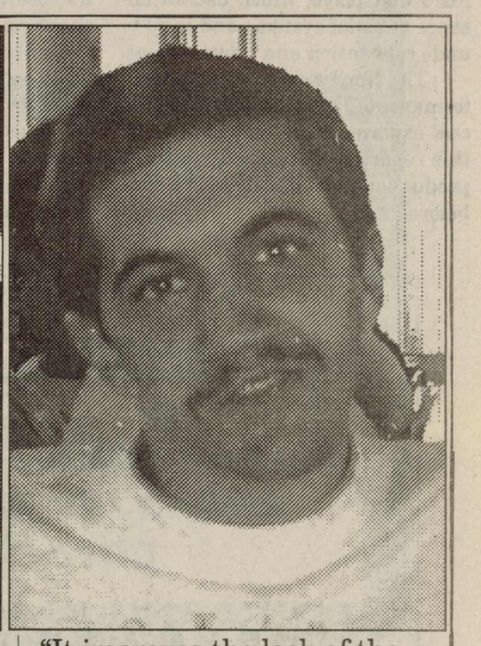
"I think it's a waste of money-there are plenty of places to get together."

***--Christine Chang***
***Sophomore, Telebroadcasting***



"It's nice. It's much more comfortable than the parking lot."

***--Nick Ignatyev***
***Freshman, Pre-Med***



"It improves the look of the college, but I wonder why they've stopped."

***--Steve Tilly***
***Sophomore, Physics***

SGA MINUTES FOR MARCH 6, 1995

Meeting opened 8:05 p.m.

Roll Called: The following senators were absent—Stephanie Gardner, Jeff Burkett, Jamie Cheramie, Kasie Nunley, Ken Posey, Mary McDaniel.

Minutes from the last meeting were approved.

REPORTS

Treasurer: Bleacher for ROTC field are paid for. Need to approve scholarship for Tate Wilson A.A. Rebecca Gill invites SGA to the Intercollegiate Horseshow at Water Road Ranch Sat. March 11 and Sun, March 12 at 8:00. Bill 95-07 (NSU Amateur Radio Club will need to go to Club Sports before Senate can vote.

Vice President: Many senators made points for committee meetings and bills. NEED to do 3 office hours a week. Need to have committee meetings. Election is planned for April 19-20 with the 19th @ Iberville and the 20th @ Student Union. April 26-27 will be run-off dates. Election intent forms will be out soon and due at end of March. Please sign up to work election week.

President: Thanks to the Free Speech Committee for a job well done on the Women's Caucus. Academic Affairs Committee is working on an student evaluation. Sign up for an evaluation interview. Cari Pecquet is here to speak for the Greek Carnival. Set up times for the committee meetings. We will be following an agenda starting next week. Legislation is due by 12:00 noon. on Fridays. Position roll call. Check over phone list. The Admission, Credit and Graduate Council met and sent letters tabling SGA resolution #94-11 (Dean's list) upon further investigation, and rejecting SGA resolution #94-53 (Drop/Add Day Change.)

Academic Affairs: Teacher evaluation forms—met with Faculty Senate for approval. They rejected it. We are going to amend the evaluation. Meeting is Monday, March 13 at 7 p.m. Going to investigate the drop/add situation.

Environment: We are meeting for fun on Thursday March 9 at 7 p.m.

Free Speech: The Women's Caucus was successful and impressive. Hope to continue and enlarge. Going to try and set up debate/platform proposal for elections. Having guest lectures (gubernatorial candidates) Res. #95-03 & 95-04 both passed by Executive Order.

Old Business: None

New Business: Senator Meche moved to accept April 19-20 as Senate elections and April 26-27 as run-off dates. Passed by general consent.

Senator Alexander moved to approve scholarship for Tate Wilson as new A.A. Passed by general consent.

Sean Schneyer moved to accept Resolution 95-05 (Internet in dorms). Passed by general consent.

Senator Scheneyer moved to accept Resolution 95-06 (Computer labs created and upgraded) Passed by general consent.

Senator Conway moved to accept Resolution 95-07 (give $6,200 to Amateur Radio Association for Fall '95). Mr. Gray, president, spoke on behalf of the club. Stated all the benefits of having amateur radio and that it is a one-time price. The receiver will be placed at the top of the stadium or the police tower. tabled until it passes by Club Sports which meets March 13 at 7:00 p.m..

Cari Pecquet, chairman of the Greek Carnival, asked for $500.00 to purchase prizes for the community and children's Greek Carnival on April 20.

Senator Bailes moved to donate $500.00 for the Greek Carnival. 13 approved. 1 abstained.

SPECIAL REPORTS: Senator Mayeux reported form the SAB. On March 9, @ 7 p.m. Pete Jenson will perform magic for a taped performance to be sent to several talk shows. 8:00 p.m. will be a horserace. Students can win money.

Senator Johnson reported on COSGA. Stated that NSU's apathy is normal or better than several other schools. He also brought back stuff to look over for future use.

Senator DeVinliss remarked that Quenton Dastugue, state rep. will be walking through Natch.

Senator Bailes said that the Lion King is playing this week.

Senator Johnson said the Environment Committee meeting is moved to 6:00 p.m.

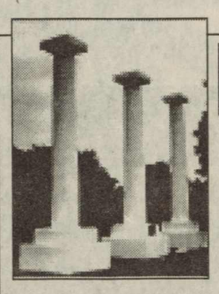
President Dickens reminded about bills.

Senator Veuleman's quote of the week said something to the effect of: "Remember, when you walk into a new place for the first time, you are never a stranger but once."

Meeting adjournment at 9:02

## Newspaper limits coverage of minorities

DEBORAH HARRIS



**Your**View

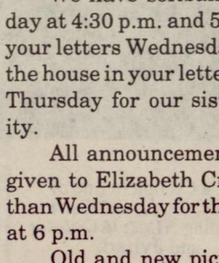
*Letters*

Submissions should between 300-500 words and must include the signature of the author, the author's classification, major and phone number for fact verification. They are due the Friday before the Tuesday publication date.

I am writing in regards to the lack of interest displayed by this newspaper for minority events. Wednesday, March 8, the NSU Pep-N-Spirit Club presented "Showtime at the Apollo." This event attracted over 600 students!

The Alley had a case of "standing room only." I do not understand why there was not any mention of this event in the paper? Every Tuesday, I read about events (that I have attended) that did not attract the interest of more than 20 or 30 students. I feel the University newspaper should represent the "WHOLE" and not display interest towards topics and events that only satisfy the needs of the writing staff. During African-American Commemorative Week, I rarely viewed coverage of the many ceremonies and events taking place. The opening ceremony was definitely one that deserved mention as well as praise. This one-sided coverage on campus aides in the misconception that there is not anything developed here for minority students to participate in or be proud of. I would greatly appreciate an earnest effort from your staff to equalize what you present to the student body as "NEWS."

**Editor's Note: The* Current Sauce *editorial staff stands behind its coverage of what is "news" on campus. As for our coverage of African-American Commemorative Week, it occupied most of the front page in our Feb. 21 issue. As always, we invite all students to join our writing staff so we may expand our coverage.*



**Campus**Connection

Campus Connection submissions must be brought to Rm. 225 by noon on the Monday before Tuesday publication. All submissions should be **less than 100 words** and should pertain solely to **meetings, announcements and upcoming activities**. Birthday greetings, congratulations and/or product advertisements should be submitted as paid classified ads. Connections must be resubmitted each week they are to be run.

***Sigma Sigma Sigma***

Monday: Student Government Association meeting at 8 p.m.

Tuesday: Dress up and wear your badges.

Wednesday, Wear your letters. Songfest has been cancelled.

Thursday: Make plans to attend lecture of former governor Buddy Roemer. We have a meeting at the house at 7 p.m. to make favors for formal.

Saturday: Formal begins at 9 p.m. in the Student Union ballroom. Line up for new initial presentation begins at 10 p.m.

Sunday: Founder's Day at 12 p.m. in the Student Union ballroom.

Remember to keep up with your study hall hours. Softball practives will be announced at the next meeting. Get in touch with Mona Ross or Elizabeth Grazati for more information.

***Phi Mu***

We have softball games Tuesday at 4:30 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. Wear your letters Wednesday. Meet up at the house in your letters at 5 p.m. on Thursday for our sisterhood activity.

All announcements need to be given to Elizabeth Crump no later than Wednesday for the Sunday C.D. at 6 p.m.

Old and new pictures for rush brochure are due by March 27 and need to be turned in to Gina Alcala.

Don't forget to give Jamie Ott your ballot for Parent's Day Banquet this Sunday at 1 p.m.

***Sigma Gamma Rho***

The sisters of Sigma Gamma Rho will be having their spring Rush on March 28 at 7 p.m. in the President's Room in the Student Union.

If you are interested, please send a copy of your transcipt and a letter of intent to: Sigma Gamma Rho, NSU Box 3508 Natchitoches LA. 71497.

You may also bring the above items with you when you come to Rush.

To qualify for Rush, you must have a 2.5 semester and cumulative grade point average and 15 semester hours.

We are encouraging all ladies to come out and be a part of this special event.

***Current Sauce***

We will have our staff meeting at 5 p.m. Wednesday. Current staff members (Columnists, Lifestyle, News and Sports writers) are required to attend. Bring your staff manuals.

All students interested in becoming a part of the staff are encouraged to attend.

# Foreigner's latest grabs spotlight

Derek Rabuck
*Current Sauce*

Rock 'n' roll is back with a vengeance.

Superstar rockers Foreigner have returned to reclaim control of the rock 'n' roll spotlight. With the release of *Mr. Moonlight*, Lou Gramm and company are showing fans everywhere that rock 'n' roll is not dead, but alive and kickin'.

Foreigner's musical career began in the late 1970s. Since Foreigner's debut release, *Foreigner*, the band has managed to rake up a ton of No. 1 singles and albums, not to mention platinum records.

With hits such as *Hot Blooded*, *Cold As Ice* and *Urgent*, Foreigner has never been a stranger to success. In fact the band was one of the most popular music groups from the late 1970s to the mid 1980s, until the group disbanded after vocalist Lou Gramm left to pursue a solo career.

Gramm's departure did not stop Foreigner for long. Members regrouped with new vocalist Johnny Edwards to record *Unusual Heat* in 1990, but even though *Unusual Heat* was a good record, it failed to become a big hit.

Then, Lou Gramm rejoined the group in 1993 and recorded three new songs to be added to a greatest hits album called *Foreigner: The Very Best and Beyond*.

## REVIEW

Now with the release of their eighth studio album, *Mr. Moonlight*, Foreigner has returned to the rock scene with an album full of great music and emotional lyrics.

*Mr. Moonlight* begins where *Inside Information* left off. (*Inside Information* was the last album recorded by Foreigner before Lou Gramm left the band.)

With new songs such as *Hand On My Heart*, *I Keep Hoping* and *All I Need To Know*, their latest album is proof that Foreigner has done what many legendary bands have tried to do as of late — regain their fame. Supergroups of the 70s and 80s such as Boston, Traffic and Lynyrd Skynyrd have recorded new albums that are great, but these groups have not been able to recapture the sound that made them legends.

Foreigner, on the other hand, has managed to write and record songs that take the band to a new level, while still keeping the appeal of Foreigner's earlier releases.

One thing that is different about this version of Foreigner is the lineup. Gramm and guitarist/songwriter Mick Jones remain, but Bruce Turgon and Jeff Jacobs have replaced the original bass player and keyboardist.

*Mr. Moonlight* also boasts a couple of tunes that show a new, progressive side to Foreigner's music. *Big Dog*, unlike most Foreigner tunes, relies more on showing off the playing ability of the group. In the past and on some *Mr. Moonlight* songs, Foreigner concentrated more on delivering a searing vocal performance with tight melodies, than placing emphasis on the lead guitar.

Another big difference with *Mr. Moonlight* is that long time record label Atlantic Records has been replaced with Rhythm Safari/Priority Records. This is an interesting alliance, because Priority Records mainly promotes and distributes rap albums.

What is really unusual is that Foreigner's switch from a major label to an independent label seems to have been a good idea. Foreigner seems to have concentrated more on the music for *Mr. Moonlight*, instead of worrying about how big their recording budget was going to be for this album. I feel the switch helped make *Mr. Moonlight* a record worthy of the Foreigner name.

If you're in the mood for some good ole' rock 'n' roll done the right way, give Foreigner's *Mr. Moonlight* a listen. *Mr. Moonlight* is living proof that rock 'n' roll will never die.

# Absurdist plays provide humor, insight

Keri Champion
*Current Sauce*

If you were looking for laughs last week, then the Northwestern production of *That's Absurd* was the place to be.

Northwestern's thespians performed *That's Absurd*, a trio of Absurdist plays, which use an absence of belief systems and logic to undo convention and prove a point.

The Northwestern theater performance of *That's Absurd* was truly one experience in theater new to this reporter. The comedy in these productions was like none I've seen before.

The first play, *The Bald Soprano*, was a unique piece of work full of nonsense, comedy and fun. The teasing of the ignorant nature of social structure was well understood, which I believe was the intention of this work.

*The Bald Soprano* presented to the audience the opposite nature of reality, for this reason I feel it was an entertaining and uplifting hour that was well-spent. I would especially like to commend Angel Guidroz who kept the energy of the play alive with her portrayal of Mrs. Smith.

*The Real Inspector Hound* was a classic whodunit with a few twists along the way. Although the play doesn't appear to be headed anywhere in the beginning you quickly realize that things are not as they seem.

The play starts off with the shooting of an unknown man presumably of no importance to the play. All of the characters reside in a large manor deep in the swamps of a small county. Little do they realize that a murderer is among them, or is there? The truth is not revealed until about halfway through the play. Two critics who appear to be only doing their jobs were of great significance to the understanding of the work. Many of the characters proved to be someone else entirely at the end of the piece.

Although the acting in this work is very good the play itself is hard to understand and even harder to follow. The housekeeper, played by Abby Carmichael, is an interesting character whom I enjoyed watching. The rest of the cast did equally well with their roles, but I found *The Real Inspector Hound* to be confusing and pointless.

The last play to be performed was Entitled *Ecstasy: A Catastrophe in Two Acts*. This play featured Seine Liles as a young TV evangelist who has not been in contact with her father in 18 years, when his plane

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# ComputerCorner

Marco Buscaglia
*College Press Service*

ANN ARBOR, Mich.—A student at the University of Michigan has found out that while writing about killing someone may make for some exciting prose, it doesn't exactly endear you to others on campus or to the FBI.

Sophomore Jake Baker was suspended from school and arrested after he used the name of a student in a graphic story involving rape, torture and murder. He wrote and posted the story on the Internet on Jan. 9.

When UM officials learned of Baker's story on Feb. 2, they immediately ordered campus police to seize the 20-year-old student's identification card and evict him from his residence hall. Baker was then suspended from the university.

While waiting at his attorney's office on Feb. 9 for a hearing with the school's disciplinary board to seek readmission, Baker was arrested by the FBI for making an interstate transmission of a threat to injure another person. If the Boardman, Ohio, native is found guilty, he could face up to five years in prison.

During Baker's initial hearing, U.S. Magistrate Thomas Carlson said the student was "disturbed and dangerous" and ordered him held without bail. Baker is currently being held in Milan Federal Facility in Michigan.

Baker's troubles began when he posted his story on "alt.sex.stories," a USENET bulletin board. In Baker's story, he described himself and others breaking into the apartment of a female and beating, torturing and raping her. Baker wrote that the woman was "shaking with terror" throughout the entire incident.

David Cahill, Baker's attorney, said the UM student never had any intention of harming the female he wrote about. "Jake doesn't even know her," Cahill said. "He has never even said one word to her. They were in a large lecture class together, and he simply liked the way her name sounded."

Cahill said that his client is a victim of censorship. "We're talking about a typical college sophomore here who has never done anything wrong in his life," Cahill said, adding that the American Civil Liberties Union and Electronic Frontier Foundation would be getting involved with the case. "He's a linguistics major. He writes stories. That's not illegal by any stretch of the imagination."

Although both federal and UM officials said they couldn't discuss the case because it involves issues of federal privacy, Lisa Baker, a UM spokesperson, said that the university's actions are not about censorship, but about protecting the safety of its students.

UM officials and the FBI became involved after learning that the female in the story had the same name as one of Baker's classmates. According to Cahill, a UM graduate living in Moscow read Baker's story on the "alt.sex.stories" bulletin board, noticed the school's electronic address and called UM administrators to ask if the female was a student at the university. After a quick search revealed that she was enrolled in Ann Arbor and had taken a class with Baker the previous year,

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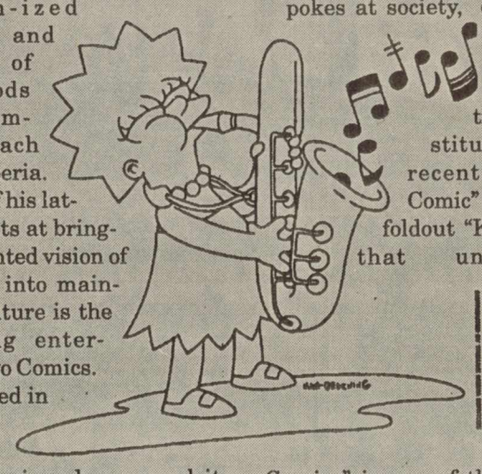
## The Simpsons...

DAVID BAIZ
*College Press Service*

It's a bit ironic that an avowed underground cartoonist—a self-described product of a youth misspent watching hours of mindless television sitcoms—has found himself manipulating a runaway merchandising behemoth estimated at a quarter of a billion dollars.

Yet with his vast and endless supply of satirical wit, cartoonist Matt Groening regularly brings his brand of irreverence to mainstream television America, and in the process, has made his cult creation *The Simpsons* a weekly prime-time hit and a fertile cash cow.

Groening, undeniably the Grand Pooh-Bah of ancillaries, continues to supply retailers with an endless array of pinball and video games, trading cards, CD's, Simpson-ized clothing, and hundreds of other goods that seemingly reach here to Siberia.



One of his latest attempts at bringing his slanted vision of the world into mainstream culture is the publishing enterprise Bongo Comics. Inaugurated in early 1994, Bongo since has carved its own niche with a broad and diverse readership.

"The majority of comics now out on the newsstands are intentionally grim and solemn," explains Groening. "The humor market is pretty dried out, and I want to get funny books back on the street"

The result is a clever line of titles that are jammed with inside jokes and collegiate gags that often require more than a marginal degree of astuteness (the clueless need not subscribe). Of course, the dysfunctional cartoon characters give the uneasy impression that Groening is a little too observant of society's foibles.

According to Jason Grode, Bongo's managing editor, this type of corkscrew view of our culture is the key to the success of the comic line.

### COMICS

"We're looking at this venture as more of a personal crusade and not a means of selling out. We've got strong story lines, a need to laugh at ourselves, and most importantly, we don't fear pushing the envelope."

The theme of '60s rebellionism is a palatable one in all Bongo titles, such as Simpson Comics, Itchy & Scratchy, Bartman and Radioactiveman.

While most adults will be hard pressed to admit enjoying these illustrated tomes, even the surliest reader might snicker at the magazine's savvy underlying pokes at society, often taking liberties with some entrenched institutions. One recent "Krusty Comic" contained a foldout "Krustyland" that undoubtedly caused Walt to roll over in his cryogenic crypt. "Krusty Comics" is one of the latest of three installments hitting the streets through April, in addition to a special "Lisa Comics" coming this spring.

Grode and Groening seem particularly proud of "Lisa Comics."

According to the pair, this line is especially geared toward girls, a segment of the audience heretofore ignored within the comic book industry.

"We have tried to be the comic book equivalent of the TV show," states Groening, "and if you're a Lisa fan, you'll understand that there's considerable substance to her character."

## *Outbreak* 'too tidy,' lacks tension for subject matter

BRENDA BRYANT
*Current Sauce*

The director of *In the Line of Fire* has brought a new thriller to the screen. This time, however, he's working with a total different kind of killer: a virus.

*Outbreak*, starring Dustin Hoffman, Rene Russo, Morgan Freeman and Donald Sutherland is Wolfgang Peterson's new thriller about a killer virus that gets lose and wreaks havoc on a small California town.

In the film, it is up to Col. Sam Daniels (Hoffman), an Army medical researcher, his ex-wife, Robby (Russo), who now is a research director for the Center for Disease Control, and his research colleagues (Kevin Spacey and Cuba Gooding, Jr.) to find the cause of the virus and a cure.

### MOVIES

However, he faces a few minor problems. First, Daniels must figure out how the virus got into the country. Second, he must deal with his military commanders (Freeman and Sutherland), who seem unusually eager to stop his research on the deadly Motaba virus and would rather see the infected town destroyed than a cure found.

Overall, Peterson does a good job of creating a film that has enough suspense to keep us on the edge of our seats. The nerve-wracking moments where the disease slowly spreads from one person to the next are enough to keep audience members mesmerized and somewhat uneasy throughout most of the film.

The problem with this film, however, is that it tries to do too much. The script is full of subplots--too many subplots, unfortunately. There is the question of how and to whom the virus will spread, the romantic storyline between Sam and Robby, and the helicopter chase between Sam and the evil General McClintock, too name a few.

Also, Peterson goes crazy with his camera angles. One minute, you are seeing the world through the eyes of a victim, the next you are a particle of the virus, traveling along with all the other particles, the next you are in downtown Cedar Creek (the infected town) and the camera is spinning to show you the white flags on the doors of infected houses (i.e. all of them). After awhile, your head is spinning so much from trying to keep up, you may begin to wonder if you are coming down with something.

The best part of the film, ironically, comes in the middle when the virus is first beginning to spread. In those scenes, there is tension. I was on the edge of my seat as I waited to see who, and how much of the population, would come down with the deadly Motaba virus. The movie theater scene where a man coughs the virus onto unsuspecting movie goers had everyone in the theater on the edge of their seats—and ready to lynch the first person who even cleared their throat.

That tension is not equalled again until many scenes later, when Casey (Spacey) accidentally rips his suit in the lab. In the scenes that follow not only does he come down with the disease, but Robby punctures herself with a needle and she too, gets it.

However, after that things are pretty boring and the film becomes standard action-film fare.

Peterson's film ends with a bang, but it's one that we have seen too many times. Of course, we all love Hollywood happy endings, but this one is just a little too tidy. All the lose ends tie up too easily.

On a scale of one to five, I'm afraid *Outbreak* only deserves a three and a half. There was potential here for a great film, but it falls short and overextends itself. It is worth seeing, but if you're inclined to motion sickness, I suggest you bring some Dramamine.


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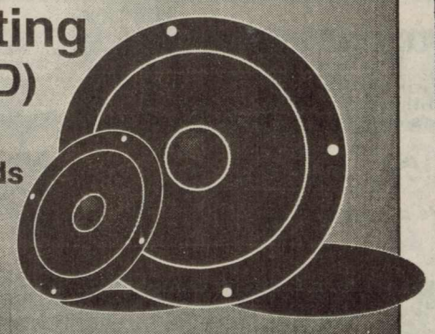

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By Dennis Clarkston

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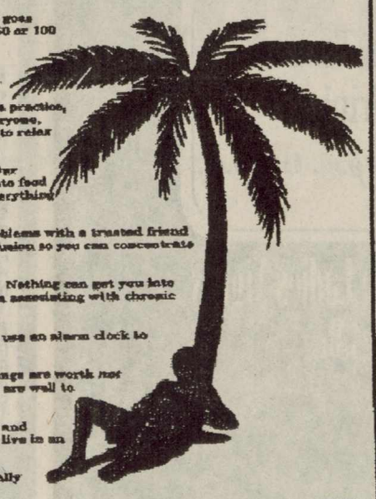

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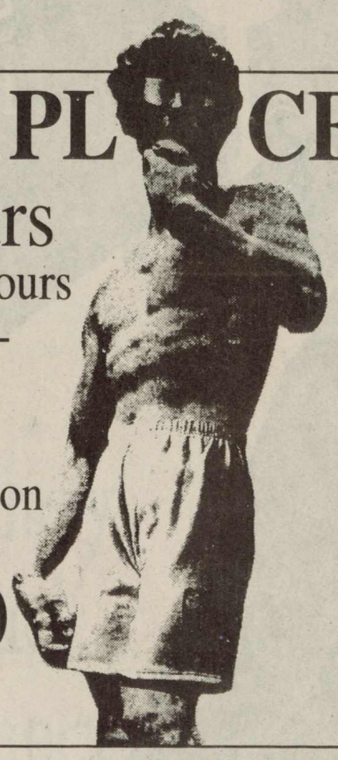
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# Landing an internship not an easy task for students

Samer Hamadeh and
Mark Oldman
*College Press Service*

You have decided to apply to some internships. But your GPA is less than stellar and your college didn't come close to cracking the top colleges list.

Add to that the fact that you have taken few courses relating to the industry in which you want to work.

If you were applying to a top grad school, the answer might be a hearty "yes." Grad schools are notoriously interested in their applicants' grades, courses and college reputation.

But internships are a different bag. Unlike "ivory tower" admission committees, internship coordinators are more flexible in deciding whom they will select.

To be sure, some internship programs impose a minimum grade point average, although such requirements are relatively rare. The Central Intelligence Agency, for example, seeks undergraduates with at least a 2.75 GPA, while the Environmental Protection Agency draws the line at a 3.00 GPA. Moreover, a few programs also scrutinize the coursework of their applicants.

The auction house Butterfield & Butterfield favors art history majors, and "The Washington Post" seeks out students who have taken classes in journalism. And every now and them, one runs across an internship that seems to have a disproportionately high representation of students from the Ivy League and other top schools.

But with internships, application requirement are typically looser.

According to the vast majority of internship coordinators, the deciding factor is often an applicant's attitude. Specifically, coordinators use cover letters and interviews to gauge an applicant's motivation and energy.

Organizations want interns who are fired up and who will accept all assignments or ask for more during slow periods.

Counterbalancing the "go-getter" attitude, applicants must also show they realize that as interns, they will be temporary observers, oftentimes in a sensitive, hierarchical institution.

Consequently, coordinators highly prize interns who display diplomacy and discretion.

The key for internship applicants is to play up not only their enthusiasm but also their professionalism and maturity.

## HARRASSMENT: *Student's sordid story deemed criminal*

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university officials decided Baker should be suspended while they determined if he was a threat to the student.

Acting under an order from President James Duderstadt that circumvents various policies if a student is placed in danger, university security immediately escorted Baker off the Ann Arbor campus.

Although Baker was scheduled to appear at a number of hearings with UM officials to see if he could be reinstated to the university, Cahill said both parties have decided to suspend any action on enrollment until the federal case is settled.

While being escorted back to prison after a recent arraignment hearing, Baker told reporters that he thinks he is being held without cause.

"I haven't harmed anyone," he said. "I think this is a violation of my First Amendment rights and probably several other rights."

Federal officials, however, disagree. Last week, Carlson produced a document containing an electronic message Baker sent to a man in Ontario, Canada, which stated, "Just thinking about it doesn't do the trick. I need to do it."

"Jake is sorry this happened. He never even met this student," Cahill said. "He simply used her name because he liked the way it sounds.

"He says that he has trouble coming up with names for his stories," he said.

## ABSURD: *plays receive mixed reviews*

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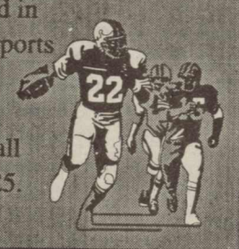
plane went down in Cambodian jungle. While live on television Vaughn Ray McClendon, the evangelist, manages to contact her father by ham radio with the help of some of her father's old friends.

However, an oncoming storm cuts off the electricity before Vaughn is able to pinpoint her father's whereabouts and he remains in Cambodia.

In the second act, the TV studio acts as a health clinic for those injured in the storm. The stress and confinement caused by the hurricane causes many of the people in the studio to lose their sanity and full blown catastrophe breaks loose. The play ends with the death of Vaughn Ray right as she is once again able to reach her father.

In my opinion, this was the best of the three plays because its purpose is interesting and it was a lot of fun to watch.

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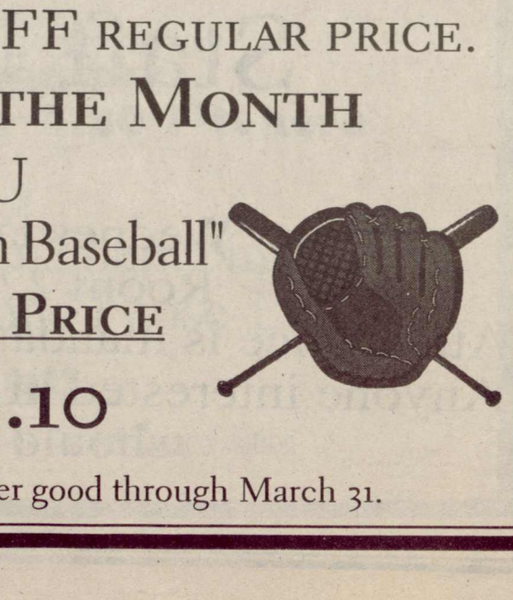
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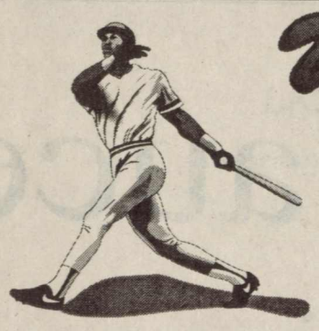


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## Tickets available for Demons-LSU game

Baseball fans in central Louisiana will have several outlets to purchase tickets for the March 22 "Battle at Bringhurst" game between the Northwestern Demons and the Louisiana State Fighting Tigers.

Two Arby's restaurant locations will have the tickets: 1200 MacArthur Drive in Alexandria and 2701 La. 28 in Pineville. Tickets will also be available at various State Farm locations in Alexandria, Pineville and Colfax. The other outlet will be the Louisiana Sports Medicine Center at Cabrini located at 310 4th Street in Alexandria.

General admission tickets can be purchased for $5 while Diamond Side Boxes are also available by calling the Northwestern ticket office at (318) 357-5251. For $100, the purchaser will receive four tickets, game programs, hostess service and premier parking.

This will be the second meeting between the two schools this year, with LSU taking the first game 16-5 at Alex Box Stadium in Baton Rouge Feb. 21.

Currently, LSU is ranked No. 2 in the Collegiate Baseball poll while the Demons are 15-5 and rebounding nicely from the LSU loss.

## Tennis rebounds with strong weekend performances

The Northwestern women's tennis team showed the form that made them Southland Conference champions last year as they earned home victories over Stephen F. Austin and Sam Houston this past weekend.

The Lady Demons pounded SFA 7-2 Saturday, winning five of six singles matches played. Natalie Opoku and Nathalie Roziers returned from shoulder injuries to gain straight set wins over their Ladyjack opponents.

In Sunday's action, Northwestern used singles wins from Opoku,Roziers, Glynnis Carolissen, and freshman Julie Lessiter to whip Sam Houston 6-3.

In doubles play, Opoku and Roziers cruised past the Bearkats' top tandem of Jennifer Jerabek and Heather Waddell 6-3, 6-4. Carolissen and Sandra Emde shut out Karen Smith and Tracy Tigner 6-0, 6-0 to lead the Lady Demons.

Northwestern upped its mark to 2-6 (2-2 SLC) and travels to Monroe Tuesday for a match with conference rival Northeast.

## Demons, Lady Demons dominate Northwestern Relays

Outstanding distance performances, led by Maryalyce Walsh, Carla Davison, Tim Rosas and Jeremy Huffman, highlighted Northwestern's participation in Saturday's LSU Invitational track and field meet.

Walsh ran a 17:48.11, fourth overall in a 26-woman 5000-meter field. Rosas had a 15:31.81 time, eighth overall, in the 25-man men's 5000.

Davison registered a 2:14.68 for seventh in a 34-woman 800-meter competition. Huffman ran 1:55.78, 14th overall, in the 43-man 800-meter race and clocked a 3:58.51 for 11th in the 52-man 1500-meter field. Demon teammate Dylan Kennedy was 13th at 3:58.89.

Northwestern's Ron Lewis ran 48.14 for fifth in the 400-meters. Lady Demon thrower Regina Buford was third in the shot put (43-4 1/4) and fifth in the discus (133-3).

"We had a fairly solid meet," Demon Coach Leon Johnson said. "We didn't have a bunch of outstanding marks but we had very few letdowns in a very competitive meet."

Athletes from 22 colleges competed, including Southland Conference rivals McNeese State, Northeast Louisiana, and Nicholls State.

## Football tackles tough 1995 schedule

Northwestern has taken on a rather challenging football schedule next fall, based on the performance the 1995 Demon opponents put forth in 1994.

The Demons will open the season Sept. 2 against Southern, which thrashed the Northwestern 20-0 last season in Turpin Stadium.

Perennial Division I-AA power Troy State will host the Demons Sept. 9 in Troy, Al. The Trojans will be looking to avenge a 24-20 upset loss at the hands of Northwestern last fall, a game which knocked the fourth-ranked Trojans from the unbeaten ranks.

Northwestern opens its 1995 home season Sept. 16 against Delta State, followed by home matchup the next week against Division II East Texas State, which knocked off the Demons 28-24 last season in Turpin Stadium.

The Demons will travel to Boise, Idaho, Sept. 30 for a contest with 1994 Division I-AA runnerup Boise State. Nicholls State (Oct. 7), Southwest Texas (Oct. 28), and Stephen F. Austin (Nov. 18) will visit Turpin for Southland Conference play.

Northwestern resumes its rivalry with Northeast Oct. 21 in Monroe.

# Baseball Boxscores

**Demons 7, Texas-Arlington 5**
Game One
*Saturday, Brown-Stroud Field*
TEXAS-ARLINGTON (9-12, 1-3)

| *Batting* | AB | H | R | RBI |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| B. G. Wilson, 2B | 4 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Wess Winn, SS | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Brian Reagan, CF | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Paul Stovall, DH | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Chad McBroom, C | 3 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Jason Garrett, 1B | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Mark Manwarren, RF | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| George Honsaker, LF | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Billy Martin, 3B | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Bryan Tambone, 3B | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| TOTALS | 25 | 5 | 5 | 5 |
| *Pitching* | IP | H | ER | BB | SO |
| Roy Miller, L 2-1 | 1 2/3 | 6 | 5 | 1 | 3 |
| Josh Prince | 4 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| Chad Duffer | 1/3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

NORTHWESTERN (13-5, 3-1)

| *Batting* | AB | H | R | RBI |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Terry Joseph, CF | 4 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| Duane Stelly, 2B | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Matt Donner, 3B | 4 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| Mark Burke, 1B | 4 | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| Eric Gilmore, LF | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Rob Landstad, RF | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Shawn McHugh, C | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Rahn Smith, DH | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Brad Duncan, SS | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| TOTALS | 34 | 11 | 7 | 7 |
| *Pitching* | IP | H | ER | BB | SO |
| Zach Martin, W 3-3 | 7 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 7 |

| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | R | H | E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| UTA | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 5 | 5 | 0 |
| NSU | 3 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | -- | 7 | 11 | 1 |

E-Donner. LOB-UTA 5, NSU 7. 2B-Joseph, McHugh, Reagan. HR-Burke (1) off Miller, Gilmore (4) off Prince, McBroom (1) off Martin, Garrett (4) off Martin. HP-Stelly by Prince. SB-Smith, Manwarren. Attendance-147. T-2:04.

**Demons 5, Texas-Arlington 3**
Game Two (11)
*Saturday, Brown-Stroud Field*
TEXAS-ARLINGTON (9-13, 1-4)

| *Batting* | AB | H | R | RBI |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| B. G. Wilson, 2B | 4 | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| Wess Winn, SS | 4 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Brian Reagan, CF-LF | 5 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Jason Garrett, 1B | 5 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Chad McBroom, DH | 5 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Craig Rich, PR | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Mark Manwarren, RF | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| George Honsaker, LF | 2 | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| Jack Melton, PR-CF | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| John Karant, C | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Bryan Tambone, 3B | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| TOTALS | 35 | 9 | 3 | 3 |
| *Pitching* | IP | H | ER | BB | SO |
| Matt Splawn | 5 1/3 | 8 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Chad Duffer | 1 2/3 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Jay Dixon, L 2-2 | 3 2/3 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 |

NORTHWESTERN (14-5, 4-1)

| *Batting* | AB | H | R | RBI |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Terry Joseph, CF | 6 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Duane Stelly, 2B | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| Will Pearce, PR | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Chad Tannehill, 2B | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Matt Donner, 3B | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Mark Burke, 1B | 5 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Eric Gilmore, LF | 4 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Rob Landstad, RF | 4 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| Karl Goins, C | 4 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Rahn Smith, DH | 5 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Brad Duncan, SS | 5 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| TOTALS | 40 | 12 | 5 | 4 |
| *Pitching* | IP | H | ER | BB | SO |
| Brian Dulin | 6 2/3 | 7 | 3 | 4 | 4 |
| Mike Ruhmann, W 1-0 | 4 1/3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 3 |

| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | R | H | E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| UTA | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 9 | 1 |
| NSU | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 5 | 12 | 1 |

E-Dulin, Tambone. LOB-UTA 8, NSU 10. 2B-Stelly, Donner, Landstad, Garrett. HR-Tannehill (1) off Dixon. SB-Landstad. Balk-Splawn. Attendance-311. T-3:08

# JORDAN: He's back

*Continued from page 10*

Derrick Coleman, Chris Webber, Glenn Robinson, and Latrell Sprewell has ruined the public image of professional basketball in the United States.The pouting and crying of its young players has created a giant P. R. crisis for a league which for years thrived on its public image.

Jordan is the one person who can single-handedly return the league to its elite status. It was hoped that Shaquille O'Neal could carry the Air torch when Jordan retired, but Shaq is too busy making movies and rap albums to promote basketball.

Did His Royal Airness fail as a baseball player? It could be a stigma which haunts Jordan the rest of his professional career. But one argument should be made in his defense—he was the greatest basketball player in the world and perhaps the most recognizable human on the planet. Yet he took up a sport in which no one gave him a fighting chance and labored in the minor leagues, a far cry from Chicago Stadium, Madison Square Garden or Boston Garden.

Jordan was willing to "lower" himself in order to live a dream, no matter how famous he was or how it would be perceived.

And how classy a move was it for Air Jordan, whose retired No. 23 is as synonymous with his image as is Nike, to leave the "retired" jersey hanging in the rafters of Chicago's new United Center and accept his baseball No. 45? It was a mystery at first as to the puzzling number change, but Jordan had his reasons.

No. 23 was the last number his father, James Jordan, had seen his son wear on a basketball court. As a memorial and dedication to his father, who was brutally murdered a few months before Jordan retired in 1993, Air wants the jersey to stay in its retired place. It is an act that relates to the common man and not just a pampered, spoiled superstar.

So, Michael Jordan is back to doing what he knows and loves best. And there is a message to be sent to the Colemans, Webbers and Sprewells out there.

Class is in session on how to conduct yourself, both on the court—and off of it.

# DEMONS: LSU not 'do-or-die'

*Continued from page 10*

a shot at hitting for the cycle, but walked on four pitches from UTA hurler Price Rogers.

"Stelly's kind of a laid-back guy," Van Horn said. "It was good to see him swing the bat and show a little emotion."

Van Horn was pleased with the overall play of the Demons.

"I was very proud of our team this weekend," he said. "We hit well, we fielded well, and we pitched well. I think we're probably a little bit farther along offensively than I thought we would be at this point."

The Demons now get ready to face Louisiana State Wednesday in Alexandria. The Tigers, ranked No. 2 in the nation, broke open a close game with Northwestern Feb. 21 to pound the Demons 16-5.

"We played real well the first time until the bottom basically fell out," Van Horn said. "There's no doubt we're really looking forward to it [Wednesday's game]. We're going to do what we can to win the game, but it's not a do-or-die situation for us. We've got to be ready for the conference."


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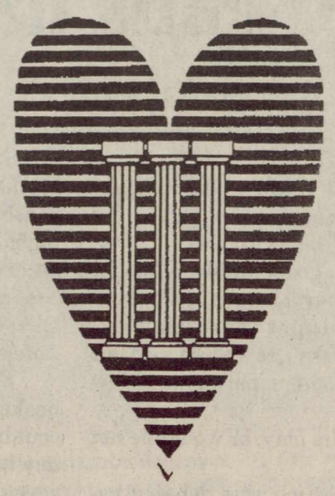
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# SportsWeek

Tuesday, March 21, 1995

# Heroic performances boost Demons to sweep of UTA

David Weaver
*Current Sauce*

This weekend was a time for heroes in the Demons' three-game sweep of Southland Conference rival Texas-Arlington at Brown-Stroud Field.

Starting pitcher Zach Martin snapped a personal three-game losing streak with a gutsy, five-hit complete game in a 7-5 Northwestern win in the series opener.

Reserve second baseman Chad Tannehill came off the bench in the 11th inning of the nightcap Saturday to and launched a two-run, two-out home run to give the Demons a 5-3 victory. Tannehill's blast made a winner of pitcher Mike Ruhmann, who pitched the final 4 1/3 innings for the Demons and surrendered only two hits in earning his first win of the season.

Starter Jon Black, coming off a week in which he earned the Southland Conference "Pitcher of the Week" honor, gave up one run on four hits in eight innings Sunday.



Tannehill

Second baseman Duane Stelly helped Black at the plate, lacking only the home run in hitting for the cycle. Stelly went 3-for-4 with three runs scored and a run batted in.

With the three-game sweep of UTA, the Demons (15-5, 5-1 SLC) stand poised to make a run for a third straight SLC title. According to first-year Northwestern Head Coach Dave Van Horn, his team was hoping to send notice that they aren't quite ready to give up the SLC title just yet.

"We talked about it all week and it's time for us to get going," Van Horn said. "We wanted to send a little message that we've got a pretty good club. We did that this weekend."

The Demons played well in all areas during the series. Martin (3-3), Brian Dulin (4-0), and Black (4-0) gave the Demons solid performances on the mound, with Dulin the only starter to suffer a no-decision despite working 6 2/3 innings in Saturday's second game. Ruhmann, however, picked up the slack and held off UTA (9-14, 1-5 SLC) until the offense could win the game in extra innings.



Ruhmann

"He's been chomping at the bit to get into a game," Van Horn said of Ruhmann. "We were going to start him against USL, but the game was rained out. He finally got his shot and did a great job of keeping us in the ballgame."

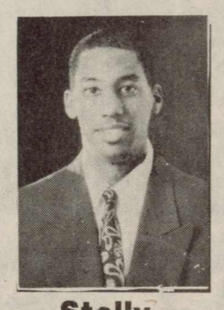
"It's always good to win, let alone a big conference game such as this one," Ruhmann said of his first win as a Demon. "There was a lot riding on this game."

The Demon bats were also hot, as Northwestern collected 36 hits and 23 runs over the three games. The Demons used the long ball in the first game Saturday, with first baseman Mark Burke blasting his first round-tripper of the season in the first inning, a two-run shot to center field which helped the Demons to an early lead. Left fielder Eric Gilmore rocketed his fourth dinger of the season well over the bushes at the 400-foot mark in center field in the fifth inning.

Burke (2-for-4, 3 RBI) and third baseman Matt Donner (2-for-4, 2 RBI) led the way in the opener for the Demons, with center fielder Terry Joseph also going 2-for-4 with a RBI and run scored.

Although the Demon offense was stifled effectively in the nightcap as Dulin and UTA starter Matt Splawn dueled on the mound, Northwestern managed to stay ahead or tied the entire game and set the stage for Tannehill's heroics.

After taking over for Stelly in the 10th inning, Tannehill stepped to the plate in the eleventh with shortstop Brad Duncan on first base and two out. The junior from Monroe jumped on the first pitch from Maverick reliever Jay Dixon (2-2) and lined the game-winning shot over the left field wall to give the Demons a dramatic 5-3 doubleheader sweep.



Stelly

"I was looking for a fastball and anything close," Tannehill said. "He threw a hanging curve and I just sat back and waited on it."

Stelly provided the spark in the series finale, with a single in the first, a double in the second, and a triple in the sixth to send the Demons to an easy 11-1 win. Stelly came to the plate in the eighth with

*See* Demons/*Page 9*

# Lady Demons prepare for NWIT, Clemson

David Weaver
*Current Sauce*

It's not exactly where the Lady Demons had hoped to be this time of the season, Northwestern Head Coach James Smith and his team are still looking forward to competing in the National Women's Invitational Tournament this week in Amarillo, Texas.

Northwestern (23-6) faces off with Clemson's Lady Tigers at 6 p.m. Thursday in the opening round of the NWIT. According to Smith, the Lady Demons have pretty much put aside the stinging disappointment of being snubbed by the NCAA Tournament selection committee last week and are ready to make a run at the NWIT title.

"We took three or four days off last week to kind of regroup mentally and physically," Smith said. "It was a big disappointment [not making the NCAA's], but we've turned our attention to the tournament this week. We're looking forward to going."

The Lady Demons enter the tournament as the seventh seed in a field of eight teams and are guaranteed of playing three games in three days. Northwestern most likely will face Clemson, Notre Dame and Texas A&M if the Lady Demons are to win the tournament.

"It's going to be tough," Smith said. "The field is a little stronger than in past years. Having to go through Clemson, Notre Dame and Texas A&M to win the tournament is a tough draw anywhere."

The Lady Tigers (19-10) will hold a distinct size advantage inside on the Lady Demons. In the final of the Century Cellunet Southland Conference Classic March 12, Stephen F. Austin pounded the glass and outrebounded the Lady Demons by 22 in a 68-60 Ladyjack win, which gave SFA the SLC's automatic NCAA berth.

Smith is concerned about the size disadvantage facing his team, but knows the Lady Demons have faced similar challenges this season in earning the first Southland Conference regular season championship in school history.



**Northwestern senior Bridgete Williams (14) will look to lead the Lady Demons in this week's National Women's Invitational Tournament in Amarillo, Texas. The Lady Demons will begin NWIT play Thursday with a first round game against Clemson.**

Photo by Don Sepulvado

"Our goal will be to get the game open and play an up-tempo style," Smith said. "They have good size up front and we can't allow them to just pound us inside. It will be a good challenge for our team."

Northwestern, Clemson, Notre Dame and Texas A&M will be joined in in the tournament by Virginia Commonwealth (19-8), Massachusetts (18-9), Pacific (20-12) and East Tennessee State (20-7).

Smith felt the seventh slot was a "little low" for his team, but hopes to use the seeding to Northwestern's advantage.

"It [low seeding] gives us a little more desire," he said. "I understand that it is very difficult to seed a field of eight teams, but being seeded seventh is a little low for us."

Northwestern has worked this week on trying to turn a very disappointing NCAA Tournament snub into a positive NWIT berth.

"Following the [SLC] tournament, we felt we had let ourselves down," Smith said. "But now, we realize that our season might be over [with an NCAA berth]. From the standpoint of the seniors on our team, that's very good that we're still playing this week."

# Lady Demons drop series to UTA Lady Mavericks

Freshman right fielder Tammy Sullivan blasted a two-run homer and Amy Thomas went 3-for-4 to lead the Northwestern Lady Demons to an 8-3 win in game two as they earned a split in Friday's softball doubleheader with Texas-Arlington.

The Lady Mavericks responded Saturday by sweeping a doubleheader on the strength of freshman pitcher Kimberlee Johnston, who fired two consecutive complete game shutouts.

In Friday's game one, UTA pulled ahead with three runs in the sixth inning and held off a late Lady Demon rally to escape with a 4-3 nailbiter.

In the nightcap, Sullivan's first home run of the year not only put two runs on the board but ignited the rest of the Lady Demon bats as they went on to pound out a season-high 14 hits in the game, six for extra bases.

Thomas and Sullivan led with three hits each while Kita Williams, Becca Allen and Robyn Robinett each chipped in two.

Leftfielder Jennifer Painter added a double and was outstanding defensively as she robbed UTA's Melissa Bollom of extra bases with a sensational headfirst, diving grab.

Vicki Bone went the distance for the win, scattering three hits and three walks to raise her mark to 3-5 on the year.

Deven Macnair started game one for the Lady Demons and pitched well in defeat, allowing four runs and six hits.

In Saturday's action, Johnston scattered three hits in the first game and six in the nightcap as UTA cruised to 3-0 and 8-0 victories.

Anne Hamilton (0-3) took the hard-luck loss in the opener, allowing just three hits and one earned run in seven innings.

In game two, the Lady Demons twice had a runner at third with no outs but could not drive the run across. Williams, Robinett and Bone each registered two hits on the day.

Bone surrendered five hits and three runs in three innings.

Lady Maverick center fielder Kellye Gaskins singled, tripled and knocked in two runs to lead UTA.

The Lady Demons travel to Nacogdoches today for a Southland Conference doubleheader with Stephen F. Austin.

## 'Player of Year' nabs honorable mention

# Garner earns spot on All-America team

Northwestern's Joskeen Garner was named to the Associated Press women's All-America basketball team last week in voting by a 32-member panel of voters from the media.

Garner, the Southland Conference's Player of the Year," was an honorable mention selection.

"I'm real honored to be named to the AP All-American team," Garner said. "To be mentioned with the other great players who made the team is very special. I would have to thank my teammates, because they're the ones who helped me reach this level."

A native of Florien, La., Garner averaged 14.6 points, 12.7 rebounds, 4.5 assists. 3.4 steals and 1.9 blocked shots per game this season. She ranked first in the SLC in rebounding for the third straight year, second in steals, third in blocks, fourth in assists and seventh in scoring. She was named to the SLC's first-team for the third straight year.

Garner recorded 13 double-doubles and two triple-doubles this season. She grabbed her 1,000th career rebound and broke the 18-year old school record with 26 rebounds against Texas-Arlington.

"This is a great honor for Joskeen," Lady Demon Head Coach James Smith said. "She came here as a Kodak All-American out of high school and has continued to improve. She is very deserving of the honor and I hope she will have a great senior season and take Northwestern women's basketball another step."

Garner led Northwestern to its first Southland Conference championship and to its fourth consecutive 20-win season.

Lady Demon great Pam Hudson was the last Northwestern player to be named to an All-American team when she was named to the United States Basketball Writers Association second-team in 1990.

Garner leads Northwestern to its second National Women's Invitational Tournament in three years this week, as the Lady Demons face Clemson in the opening round at 6 p.m. Thursday at Cal Farley Coliseum in Amarillo, Texas.

# 'Air' returns to basketball with flair, class

It's been the worst kept secret in history. For two weeks His Royal Airness, Michael Jordan, has kept the civilized world at bay with a simple decision.

To play, or not to play.

It was a grand public relations ploy on the part of Jordan, who suddenly popped up at a few Bulls workouts two weeks ago and popped out of his baseball experiment a few days later.

Would he play, or would he not play?

The question was debated everywhere, from CNN to neighborhood barber shops. This sounded like one of Air's post-retirement commercials, but it turned out to be very real.

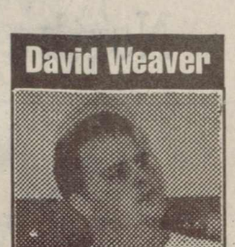
He's baaaaaaaack.

The heart and soul of basketball as we know it has returned from baseball oblivion. For the past fortnight Michael Jordan has once again become the greatest news lead in America, thankfully taking over the Days of O. J.'s Life saga unfolding in Lance Ito's courtroom.

Forget the fact that the best basketball player in the universe couldn't throw it in the ocean Sunday in his opening act, hitting only seven of 28 shots from the field in an overtime loss to the Pacers. The opening line was not all that far from just a Jordan-type off night—19 points, six rebounds, six assists, and three steals.

The simple glory in Jordan's return is that he re-entered basketball on his own terms, the same way he exited some 17 months ago. No huge media press conference to proclaim his eventual return. No talk show appearances. No public appearances.

David Weaver



He prepared himself mentally and physically and did an unbelievable job of staying away from the army of media personnel who have invaded the Bulls' lives the past few weeks. The fact that Jordan took his return seriously and not as just a public relations stunt in the fashion of Magic Johnson's failed unretirement plans. He wanted to stay away as long as possible—because he had work to do.

That attitude has, for the overwhelming majority of young players in the NBA, been lost in the 1990s. The selfish greed of young pups like

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**STUDENT KILLED CROSSING THE STREET:** Michael Neelley, 20, a sophomore aviation major, was killed instantly around 2 a.m. Friday while crossing the street with three other people on the bypass by ConAgra. According to the Natchitoches police department Todd Covington, 21, also a Northwestern student, hit Neelley with his car. Police said Covington could not see Neelley because of the thick fog that morning. No charges are being pressed at this time.

### CITY

**BOARD SUSPENDS TWO SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS:** Lakeview Jr. High School principal Samuel Jackson and Lakeview High assistant principal Shirtee Evans were suspended Thursday without pay for 10 working days. The Natchitoches Parish School Board met in executive session Tuesday to discuss the investigation of the alleged fight that occurred March 15. Jackson is a candidate for the school board superintendent.

### STATE

**LOUISIANA MEDICAID FUTURE LOOKS BLEAK:** Medicaid is at the top of the list of the Louisiana legislatures as it meets this week. The state has fallen $750 million short of the required amount to match the federal funds that pay for Medicaid. Over 700,000 state residents on the state's health-care program will be affected.

### NATION

**HURRICANES CANCEL PLAY WITH MARLINS:** The University of Miami Hurricanes canceled an exhibition baseball game against the Florida Marlins, saying it would be inappropriate to play with the Major League team in light of the 7-month-old strike. "We support Major League Baseball and the Florida Marlins, but we feel that it's better for our players not to be involved in this game," said Miami head coach Jim Morris. "The strike is not beneficial to the game of baseball, therefore we would rather not be associated with it." The game would have been the Florida Marlins second annual exhibition against a Florida university.

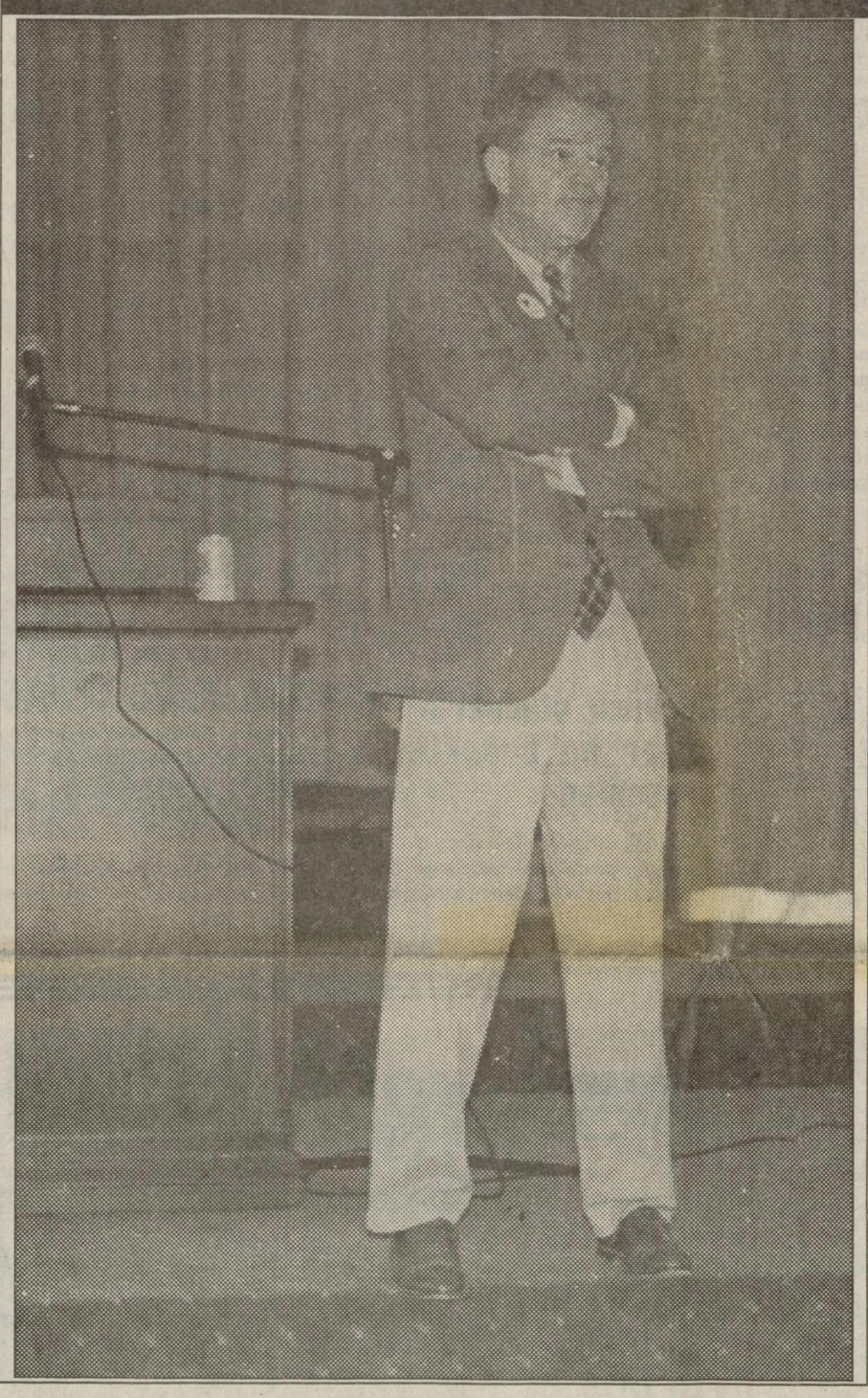
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## The Contractor



# Roemer takes on crime in 'Contract with Louisiana'

DEREK RABUCK
*Current Sauce*

"Open fields, barbed wire, ditches, and pup tents" is how former governor Buddy Roemer plans to fight crime in the state.

He spoke to an estimated 200 Northwestern students, faculty and guests about one aspect of his political platform Thursday.

This comment, which was centered around Roemer's plans to help cut down on crime in Louisiana, is part of the Roemer '95 political platform called the *Contract with Louisiana*.

Roemer's *Contract with Louisiana* centers around six focal points, including crime. Other points include changes in the state government, educational reforms and a reconstruction of the welfare system currently in operation in Louisiana.

He talked about how the current political system in Louisiana is flawed and in need of reforms to help give Louisiana respect around the country.

"What I want is for my friends across America to stop laughing at us," he said.

Roemer admitted that he made mistakes during his time as governor. "I developed the habit of doing it [running the state] myself," he said. "The job was so big that you couldn't do it yourself."

Roemer said that he learned his lesson during his first term, and if he is re-elected in October, he will not "quit on Louisiana."

"I would like to make our state a retirement state," he said.

He also said that he wanted to eliminate the income tax paid by senior citizens and shape Louisiana into a state like Arizona, whose population is comprised of a large number of retired citizens.

Roemer said he feels like shaping Louisiana into a settling place for retired citizens would bring a large amount of jobs along with it, adding that educational reforms were needed in Louisiana.

His plans include setting up charter schools and teaching Vo-tech in high school.

Another educational plan in his platform calls for giving teachers another pay raise. Roemer had previously given the teachers in Louisiana the biggest pay raise ever while serving his first term as governor.

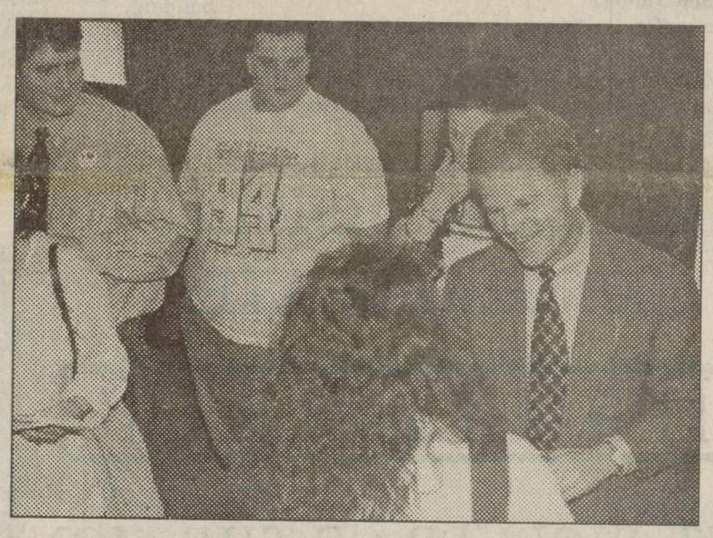
"I will be the next governor to give them [teachers] a pay raise," Roemer said. "That's my commitment."

He commented that he was trying to be more positive with his actions this time around.

Roemer admitted that he made a huge mistake with the teacher evaluation program he initiated during his first term.

Roemer did defend his mistake by saying that he gave birth to the teacher evalua-

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**Former governor discussed his Contract with Louisiana in a lecture to over 200 Northwestern students Thursday. The 'Contract' focuses on crime and education.**

# Funding for project generated from many sources

DEREK RABUCK
*Current Sauce*

*Editor's note: This is the first in a series of articles on campus beautification.*

Campus beautification is a hot topic at Northwestern.

As higher education in Louisiana suffers due to budget cuts and insufficient funding, projects such as campus beautification have become controversial.

Approximately $157,400 has been spent so far on the project, but with more construction planned ahead the total cost is increasing.

According to Loren Lindsey and Waddy Norman, director and assistant director of the physical plant, the campus beautification project has been receiving funding through what is called capital outlay funding for the past three years.

"Capital outlay funding originates through several means," Lindsey said. "The funding can come from the federal level, through self-generated funds or through other sources."

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> **Norman Lindsey, director of NSU's physcial plant**

According to Lindsey and Norman, the University received the funding after getting approval from the Board of Regents and the Board of Trustees.

In order to complete the overall beautification project, the university has been broken down the entire plan into three phases. Dividing the overall project into phases helps to compensate for funding that is needed to complete the individual projects that make up each phase. If an individual project cannot be completed after it is started because of funding, then substitutions can be made.

According to Lindsey and Norman, the estimated cost of all three phases is around $500,000. However, they said that this amount is only an estimate. "You can't put a time line or dollar amount," Harold

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# All that jazz...

## NSU's jazz band and symphony orchestra team up Friday

The Jazz Ensemble will be featured at the Natchitoches - Northwestern Symphony Society's Big Band Dance Friday, March 31 in Prather Coliseum.

Proceeds from the dance will go to fund scholarships for symphony orchestra members.

"For a long time, jazz groups played what was considered illegitimate music while classical music seemed legitimate," Al Slatter, Jazz Ensemble director, said. "But symphony orchestras are doing pop concerts and asking jazz ensembles to get involved in benefits. We're happy to be involved."

According to Slatter, Northwestern's jazz program is attracting a great deal of interest from current and prospective students. Northwestern has two performing jazz bands and will create more opportunities for students to perform in the fall.

"It puts extra strain on us, but the problems we have are the kind that go with a growing program," he said. "All of the areas within the Department of Creative and Performing Arts have been very supportive of us including theater, dance, voice and art. Everyone has played a role in helping us grow."

The most intriguing part of the program will begin in the fall when the University starts an all-female jazz band.

"For a long time, women were not con-

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**The Northwestern Jazz Ensemble will perform Friday with the symphony orchestra for Northwestern. Tables can still be reserved by calling Dr. Bill Mathis at 4522.**

## New professorship established

Northwestern's alumni foundation has received a donation of $60,000 to establish the Clyde M. Bostick, Jr. Professorship of Social Studies. The professorship was established with funds from the Bostick estate and will be matched with $40,000 in funding from the state of Louisiana.

Bostick, a Northwestern alumna, died in June 1994. Interest from these funds will be used to fund research by a designated faculty member including travel and material to enhance academic performance.

"Clyde Bostick had a great love for Northwestern. He wanted to leave a fitting memorial and it is appropriate this professorship is established in the Department of Social Sciences," President Robert A. Alost said. "He was a gracious, giving person through all the years I knew him. Northwestern will use these funds wisely to help our faculty and students."

The Bostick Professorship is the fifth endowed professorship at Northwestern. The Morrison Professorship of Business, two Coughlin-Saunders Professorships in Nursing and the Magale Professorship in the Mrs. H.D. Dear, Sr. and Alice E. Dear Department of Creative and Performing Arts were previously established.

## Conference for gifted and talented set for April

The 20th Annual Conference on Gifted and Talented for administrators, teachers and parents will be held Saturday, April 1 in the Student Union on the campus of Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge.

The conference is sponsored by the Association for Gifted and Talented Students. This year's conference theme is *Visions for the Future: Enhancing Math and Science Education*.




**Brad Montgomery performs a magical act with a student during his performance in the Alley last Thursday. Montgomery combined magic and comedy to entertain the audience. The event was sponsored by the Student Activities Board.** PHOTO BY RITA FLETCHER

The featured speaker for the conference will be Celeste Pea, science coordinator for the Louisiana Systemic Initiatives Program. Pea will speak from 10:15 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. and after lunch from 12:30 p.m. until 1:50 p.m.

Sessions will be presented by university professors and teachers of gifted and talented students beginning at 9 a.m. The sessions will be beneficial for teachers and parents of gifted and talented students.

Registration will begin at 8 a.m. on the main floor of the Union Building. The deadline for pre-registration is March 28. For more information, contact the Association for Gifted and Talented Students at 800-259-4438.

## Scholars' professor presents paper on classical tradition

Dr. Jean D'Amato, associate professor of classics in Scholars' College, recently presented a paper at the third meeting of the International Society for the Classical Tradition held at the Institute for the Classical Tradition at Boston University.

The conference covered aspects of the classical tradition in a variety of areas: literature, philosophy, art and architecture and political science. D'Amato presented a paper on the U.S. Supreme Court Building within the session on American Classical Architecture. The session was organized by the Institute for the Study of Classical Architecture based in New York.

## Demon Dazzlers dance line tryouts to begin

Northwestern will hold tryouts for its Demon Dazzlers Dance Line April 1 beginning at 8 a.m. in the Health and Human Performance building.

A first round elimination will be held based on a routine prepared in advance by the participants. Final evaluations will be based on an audition routine taught by the choreographer. Auditions are closed to the public.

The Demon Dazzlers serve as the University's official jazz line, performing at football and basketball games as well as at other University functions. They are an auxiliary unit of the "Spirit of Northwestern" Marching Band. A scholarship of $500 is provided for each semester of performance to each Demon Dazzler.

To be eligible to audition, all candidates must plan to enroll at Northwestern and participate in the fall and spring semesters. Each candidate must have and maintain a 2.0 grade point average. Transfer students and first-semester freshmen must enter with a 2.0 average.

## Business student's paper on budgeting presented

Budgeting can be a nightmare for many profit and not-for-profit agencies, but a student at Northwestern has developed a method that may help these agencies smooth out the process.

Annie James, a senior business administration major from Rosepine, delivered her findings in a paper she presented at the 22nd Annual Meeting of the Mid-South Academy of Economics and Finance held recently in Biloxi, Miss. In the paper, *Budgeting for Profit and Not for Profit Agencies,* James proposed setting up a reward system for agencies that run a surplus.

"Not for profit agencies often have a difficult time predicting their break-even point and there are few techniques available to solve that problem," James said.

James worked on the paper with the assistance of Dr. Carroll Aby, the Morrison Professor of Applied Business and Dr. Joel Worley, professor of business and acting head of the Division of Business.

James plans to attend graduate school in business in fall. She has been accepted at the University of Arkansas and Mississippi State University, but has not decided where she will attend school.

## Yankowski displays photos of Cane River life

Michael Yankowski hopes to measure up with his *Photographic Essay of Cane River* art show which opened last Wednesday.

Yankowski, assistant professor of art, completed the exhit as part of a fellowship he received last summer.

The photo exhibit displays activity around Cane River.

He was out everyday last summer taking over 1,000 shots of activity around Cane River.

The show includes 40 photographs taken of a variety of people and places that relate to the Cane River in a variety of ways.

The exhibit will be on display until April 8 in the Orville Hanchey Gallery. It is free and open to the public.

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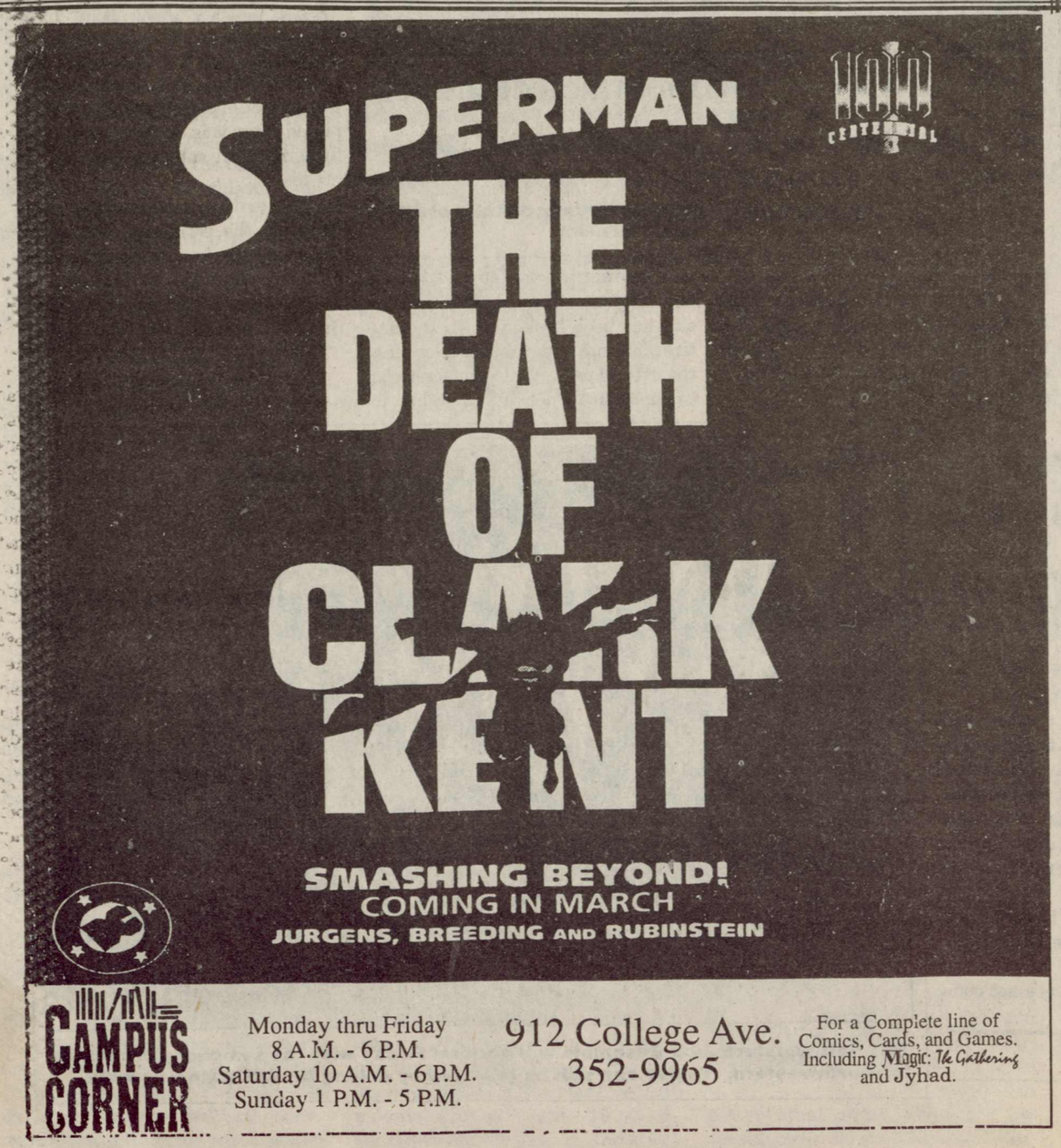
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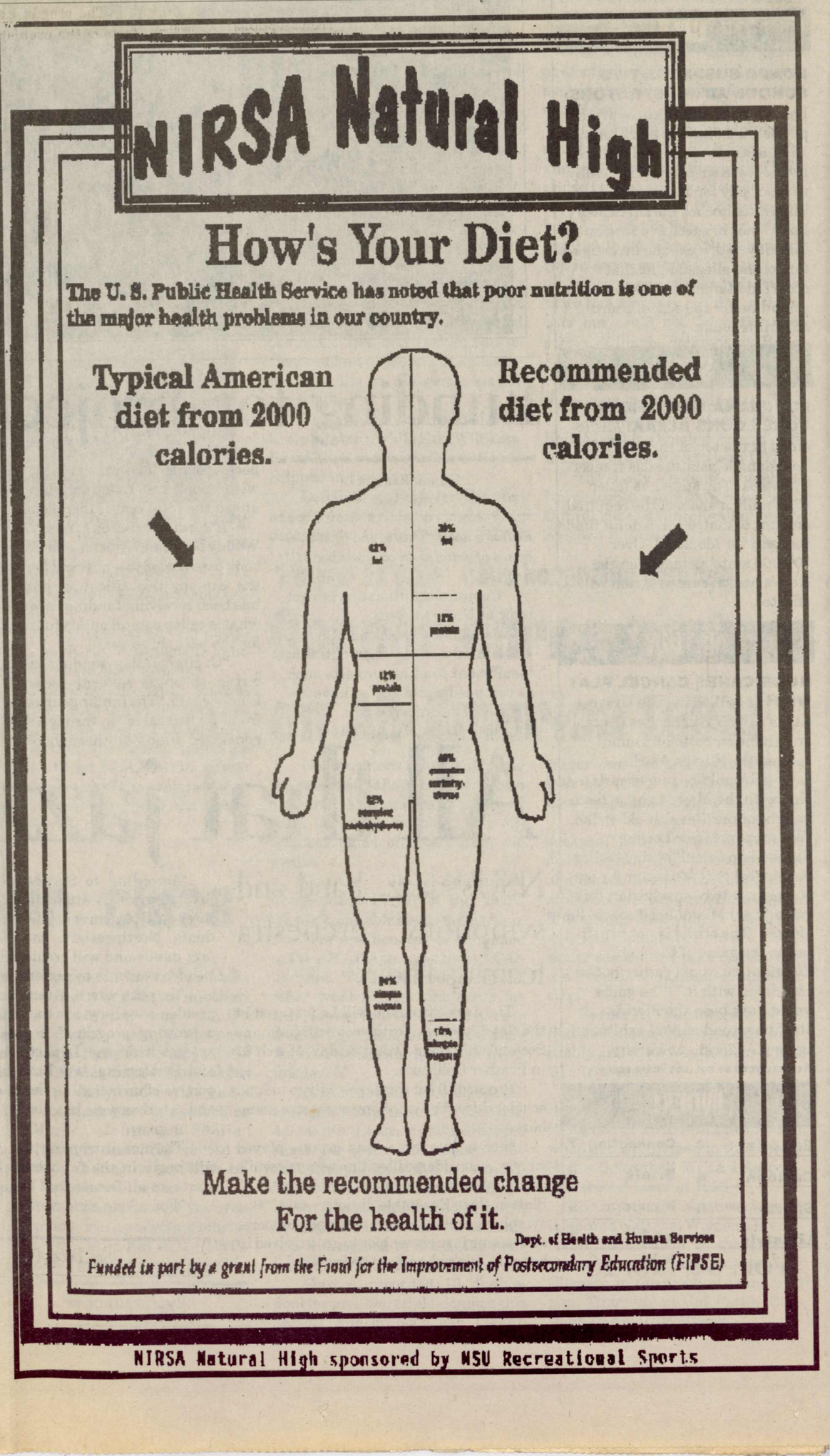
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# Scholars' senior balances classes, theater, youth ministry

According to Jerry Mullins *Little, Yellow, Different* is not only the name of his play, it is a description of himself.

In order to fulfill his thesis requirements in fine and performing arts with a theater emphasis at the Louisiana Scholars' College, Mullins is writing, directing, producing and acting in his own play.

"I took the title from the Nuprin Commercial, but also it describes me," Mullins said. "I was born in Singapore, but I was raised in New Iberia. I'm more or less just an 'Asian Cajun' and definitely little, yellow, different."

*Little, Yellow, Different* is a comedy/variety show. It relates the tale of a theater company forced to justify their work to the National Endowment for the Arts after the agency feels the group has misrepresented their work and threatens to withdraw support and penalize the director and cast. Mullins' play will incorporate music and dance as well as acting.

"It's a variety show that I'm doing," Mullins said. "I didn't have to actually write this show, but I ended up doing just that in order to execute my concept to the audience. So, I wrote in dialogue to connect the pieces that I had selected so that it flows."

It's not unusual that Mullins would chose to do a variety show since they are the reason he got into theater.

"I remember being 5 years old and sitting in front of the television watching *The Carol Burnett Show*," Mullins said. "I turned to my dad at that moment and told him that that was what I wanted to do. I was going to be an actor, a funny one."

Mullins got involved in acting through his high school speech classes in New Iberia, but getting into acting was a little more frightening than he expected.

"I would get up to do speech and I would have the worst case of stage fright anyone has ever seen," Mullins said. "My legs would shake. I couldn't speak, but I still wanted to be an actor."

So, Mullins kept at it until eventually he started winning tournaments on the circuit and this is what influenced him to go to college.

> "I'm more or less just an 'Asian Cajun' and definitely little, yellow, different."
>
> **Jerry Mullins, senior, Scholars' College**

"I was going to major in communications and minor in theater but, since I decided to go to the Scholars' College, I ended up with a double major," he said. "I went to Scholars' College because I wanted more in my education than taking classes to become something. I wanted to develop my thinking process and expose myself to many, different types of literature.

"As an actor this would help me to be the best actor I could be," Mullins said. "The logical thinking processes that I developed through Scholars' College helped me analyze my characters, and my classes taught me how to express myself better."

The Scholars' College requires that each senior, in order to graduate, must complete a thesis. Mullins must complete a 15-page paper, a script and present the play.

"The paper will consist of the process that I went through trying to produce this show, the problems I overcame and some research on variety shows in general," Mullins said.

Mullins had planned to graduate in May but decided to attend one more semester. "I plan to attend graduate school in scene design," he said. "Since I'm double majoring, I haven't had the chance to take any electives. Before I go off to graduate school, I figured I might need some scene design classes. So, I thought I'd be smart and stay an extra semester and take what I need."

Because of the double major, Mullins has worked extremely hard. Usually taking between 19 and 23 hours a semester, he has struggled to balance the demands of the Scholars' College and the theater.

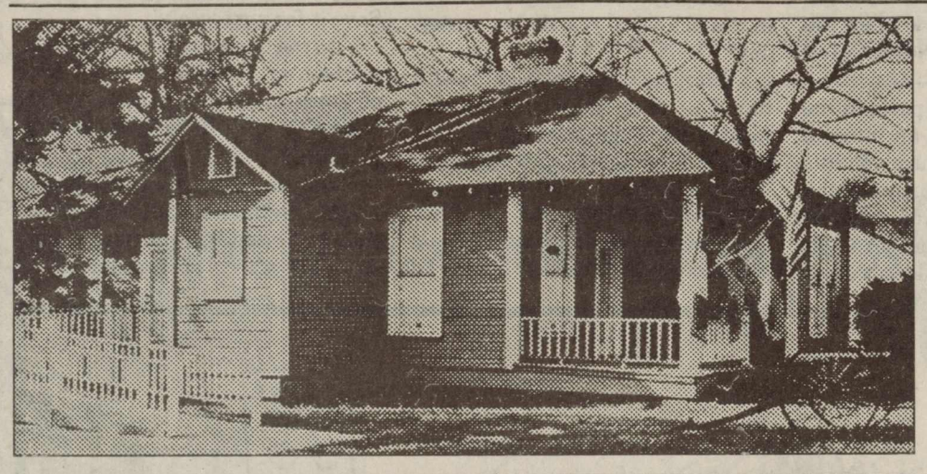
"It's very hard because theater and Scholars' College are each very demanding programs," he said. "You go to class all day, rehearsals in the evenings and reading all the literature into the night. Time management is the key."

If he doesn't attend graduate school, Mullins has another route he would like to take in his first year out of college.

"I would like to join the National Evangelation Team," he said. "It's a youth ministry retreat team that travels throughout the country performing for high schools. I like to do youth ministry.

"I started a retreat team at Holy Cross," Mullins added. "If I'm not doing Scholars' College, I'm doing theater and if I'm not doing theater, I'm doing some sort of church ministry."

*Little, Yellow, Different* will be performed at 7 and 9 p.m. May 2 in Theater West and is free and open to the public.



## What To Do In Natchitoches

# Museum of Historic Natchitoches

**(above) The Museum of Historic Natchitoches is located on Washington Street. (below) Prehistoric Indian artifacts are among the many exhibits at the museum. (right) Visitors view artifacts from 19th Century Natchitoches.**

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Having opened in July of 1993, many students may not have had the chance to visit the Museum of Historic Natchitoches, but the small archive of Natchitoches artifacts should not be overlooked.

The museum is housed in a former residence at 800 Washington St., a short distance from Front Street and the tourist information office.

One interesting fact about the museum is that unlike most historical archives the items on display are loaned to the museum, not donated, according to Daniel Graves, curator. Graves said that the new museum has attracted "a lot of interest."

The tour of exhibits begins with artifacts of the prehistoric Caddo Indians who inhabited this area. The artifacts date from 5000 B.C.

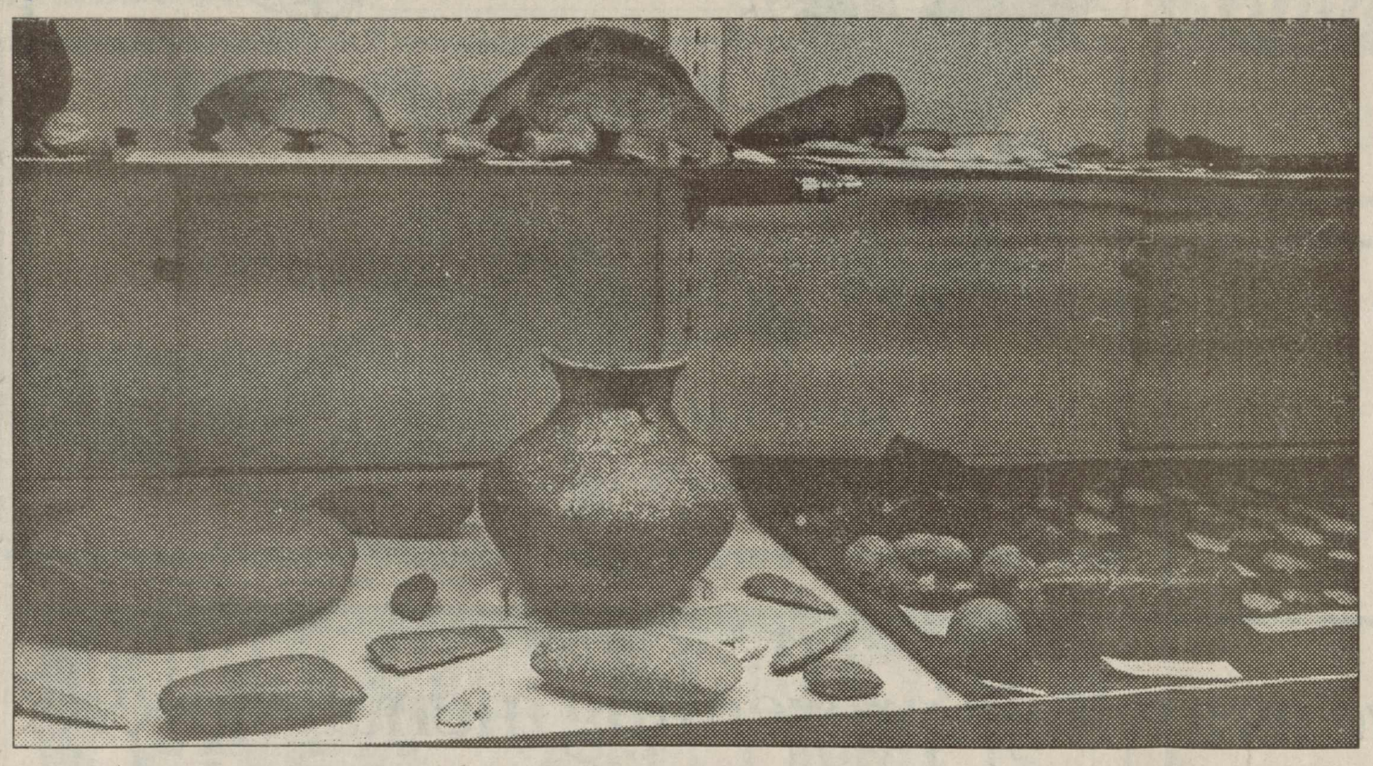
The next exhibit demonstrates authentic creole architecture dating back to colonial times.

This is followed by an exhibit of artifacts from Natchitoches in the 1800s. These include grave markers, a pirogue, tools, pictures of portraits and other items typical to the era.

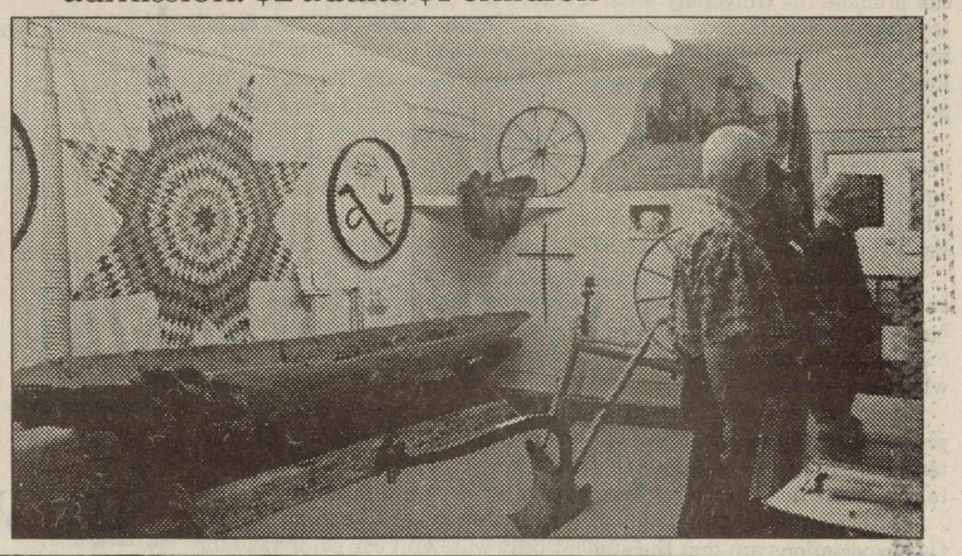
From there, visitors go on to view artifacts from the Civil War. This exhibit includes a uniform jacket, bullets, guns, authentic newspaper accounts of the war and other items.

The last exhibit in the museum contains displays of artifacts and historic memorabilia from post-Civil War Natchitoches. Among these items are pictures from old Natchitoches and the Louisiana State Normal School (pre-Northwestern). This part of the museum also contains photos and memorabilia from *Steel Magnolias* and a memorial to singer Jim Croce, who was killed in an airplane accident in Natchitoches after playing a concert at Northwestern.

The museum is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. seven days a week. Admission is $2 for adults and $1 for children, children under 5 years old are admitted free. Gifts are also available for purchase at the front desk. For more information on the museum or to ask about church, school or bus tour discounts call 357-0070.



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# Musical chameleons: the many faces of Warrant

DEREK RABUCK
*Current Sauce*

Do you remember a couple of years ago when songs such as *Cherry Pie* and *Heaven* were blasting over radio waves everywhere? What ever happened to the band that recorded these songs and a couple more smash hits?

Well, what happened was a third album entitled *Dog Eat Dog* which tried to incorporate the heavy sound of Metallica with the socially conscious lyrics of Pearl Jam.

Needless to say, *Dog Eat Dog* was a complete failure by a band who had reached musical stardom due to fancy stage moves, flashy videos and tongue-in-cheek lyrics.

After surviving the downfall of lost stardom, which included losing their major label record contract with Columbia Records, Warrant is back with their fourth studio album, *Ultraphobic* on CMC Records.

*Ultraphobic* is another complete change in musical style for Warrant. Where *Dog Eat Dog* tried to cash in on the popularity of bands such as Metallica, *Ultraphobic* tries to cash in on the Alternative music scene.

## REVIEW

Gone on this album are the sexually expressive lyrics. Gone are lead guitar player Joey Allen and drummer Steven Sweet. Gone are the songs that were fun to listen to and easy to catch yourself singing along to.

All of what once made Warrant a multi-platinum act has been replaced for a second time. The best thing to say about the new change is, "Why?"

> "Ultraphobic has ended up being one of the most disappointing albums that I have ever listened to."

Why indeed. *Ultraphobic* boasts songs such as *Followed* and *Family Picnic* that are lyrically written and recorded in a strange manner.

The solid melodies, flashy lead guitar and catchy-as-hell lyrics that made Warrant's first two albums, *Dirty, Rotten, Filthy, Stinkin' Rich* and *Cherry Pie*, huge successes have been replaced with strange vocal sounds, nonsense lyrics and rhythm lines that are so bazaar that I first thought I had bought an album by an Industrial band.

This album does not contain any good ballads or party songs, which some critics considered to be wimpy when Warrant was at the peak of success, but were enjoyable none the less.

Even *Dog Eat Dog* had songs that were enjoyable for a couple of listens. But the same can't be said for *Ultraphobic*. The song *Undertow* manages to keep you entertained for a second or two with the closest remnant of earlier Warrant tunes and that is only when you reach the chorus.

*Family Picnic* has a cool intro, but quickly falls on its face. The song that has managed to keep my attention the longest is the title song. The song *Ultraphobic* has, for some reason, managed to grow on me every time I listen to it. I wish the same could be said for the rest of the songs on the album.

Personally, I have been a Warrant fan since I heard a copy of their demo tape about a year before *Dirty, Rotten, Filthy, Stinkin' Rich* was released. I waited patiently for *Cherry Pie* and I lost sleep in anticipation of *Dog Eat Dog*. I couldn't wait for the newest album, once I heard that the band had regrouped. But, you know something? I wish Warrant would have stopped after the third album. *Ultraphobic* gives Warrant's already slashed image new scratches.

*Ultraphobic* has ended up being one of the most disappointing albums that I have ever listened to. Who knows? Maybe one day I will listen to *Ultraphobic* and actually like it? I really doubt it though.

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**Our**View

# High Visibility

## April Fool's, spring break are times for fun, but keep some important things in mind

As you bear with us through our April Fool's edition, we ask you to keep in mind some issues that are at the forefront of today's headlines.

Once something controversial comes up, especially something at Northwestern, it's easy to forget about it after a week or two. However, we should remember some of the not-so-humorous events that have been brushed aside in favor of the flavor of the month.

The issue we want to bring up again is the importance of voting—especially locally. SGA elections are coming up soon, and while students think their votes in these elections mean less than practically any vote they could cast, we ask you to remember a few of the things that are at stake.

Northwestern has seen many crossroads in its 111-year history. One of them being right now. The issue at the present time is visibility, especially positive visibility. The University has succeeded in upgrading many of its academic programs and create some new ones in the process. We have a lot to offer.

However, the key to future growth here is having representatives that

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can promote the University. Like it or not, the SGA does represent each Northwestern student on a variety of levels: to the Northwestern administration, to other schools' student governments and the almighty Board of Regents. It is important. Next week, we will present the issues, and the potential issue makers, in an effort to help you make an informed choice.

On a larger scale, the higher education crisis in the state and the nation continues to worsen. Students are consistently getting the shaft as middle-age law makers scramble to fund programs for their retirements. Meanwhile, those in higher education busy themselves with things such as who has the prettiest campus or best-sounding name (get a grip, USL).

It goes without saying the cuts to higher education won't come from the salaries of the adminstrations or their pet projects. The difference, as we have experienced in the past few years, is made up in skyrocketing tuition costs and less funding for academic programs that don't have a lot of pull with the higher-ups.

SGA is your voice in these issues. If you are upset about cuts to programs or tuition increases, tell one of the senators. And more importantly, make sure to help get a senator or president elected that will listen to you. Then, hold the person accountable to act on your agenda.

After all, the saying is true: people will only do what is expected of them. Our expectations are that the student body will, with our help, take the initiative to make informed decisions and participate during this voting season.

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# College offers great alternative to real world

## Students should take their time in getting out



**Andrew**Martin

The Bottom Line

College is a wonderful place. I think a lot of times we tend to overlook that fact. Everyone always seems to be in such a hurry to get out. Why? So you can go bust your butt hunting for a job that probably doesn't exist right now?

I think maybe we all need to look at how good we have it as college students so maybe we can appreciate the whole experience a little bit more.

The first thing that I can think of good about college is that no one makes you go. When you get a real job you'll have a real hard time getting away with just not showing up. When you have one of those job things they kind of feel like if they are going to pay you, then you had better make an appearance. In college, it works exactly the opposite. You pay them, and for the most part they could really care less if you come or not. I'm not saying you'll pass anything by not going, but that's your decision. Even the jobs on campus are real liberal. Where else can you get paid for 30 hours of work when you only showed up for 20? Nowhere but college.

"Stay in school. You won't make any money but it's a hell of a lot more fun. And besides, if you need money there are always student loans."

College is the only place in the world where alcohol is an integral part of the social structure and it is considered okay. You can get drunk in the afternoon and no one is going to immediately send you to AA. Do you think that you could get away with this scenario in the real world?

Employer to Employee: "Where in the hell were you all day yesterday?"

Employee to Employer: "Well, a friend of mine called me up and wanted me to go have a beer with him. A beer ended up being six or seven pitchers and I was too hungover to go to work."

No, you most probably could not, though if you can at your job I'd like an application. The employer's final words to the lush employee would probably be something like "Carry your ass, drunk boy."

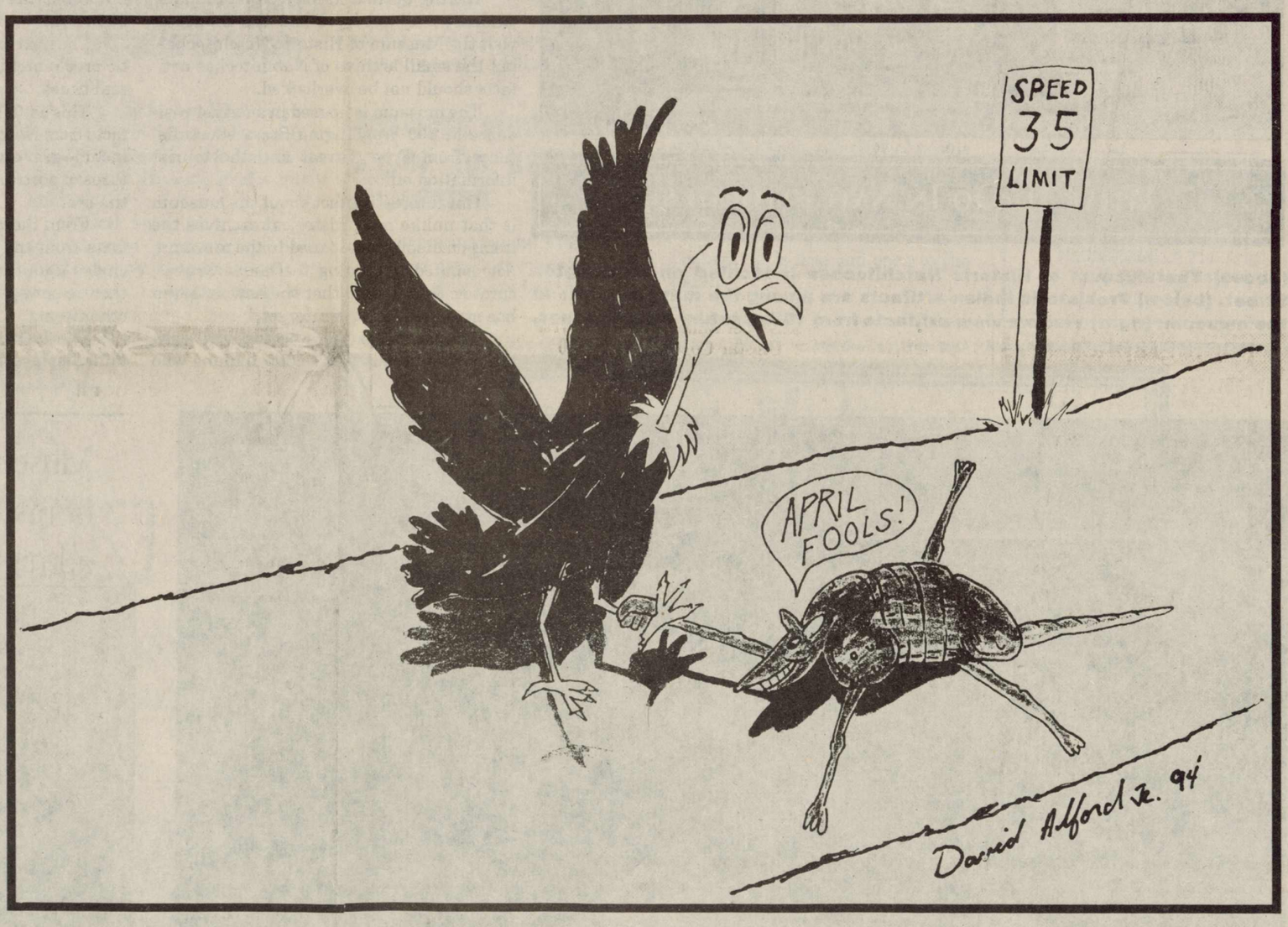
In the business world, this would be the story of a poor employee with a drinking problem who needs counseling. In college, this is just another Friday morning excuse because you got talked into doing five Goldschlager shots at Antoon's the night before. You can't do that in the real world, but you can do it here in college.

Jobs, when you can find them, also tend to have these nasty things called dress codes.

From what I can tell they're like high school but only about ten times worse. If you wake up ten minutes before class you can throw on a t-shirt and a baseball cap. Shave? Save it for next week.

In the business world they tend to frown on that kind of action. A lot of times they even like for you to wear a tie. Bad days for those with jobs like that.

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# Are we as a whole preventing mental slavery?



**Mick**Dorsey

Hit 'Em Hard

Many people can agree that mental slavery is just as bad as physical slavery if not worse. There are many different ways mental slavery can affect a person's way of thinking. For example, a person can go through life believing that he or she was born to have dominion over all living creatures whereas another person can go on living his or her life thinking that they are worthless and no good to society.

Both examples can be shown in two categories. The first is the white ruling class, their descendants and beneficiaries who have passed on this tradition of thinking boldly. And the second are people of color, the majority, who as a whole are not allowed to better themselves or their living condition. I believe there's one reason why people of color, who are the majority of the world's population (e. g. Afr., S. Am., Mex., Central Am., India, the Pac. Islands, E. Asia and Asia) are in the condition they're in and that's from the planted seed of mental self-destruction.

Since the majority of people on earth are dark complexioned, I'm going to focus on the African Diaspora (to America). Carter G. Woodson (1931) puts it best by stating "...to handicap a student for life by teaching him that his black face is a curse and that his struggle to change his condition is hopeless, is the worst kind of lynching. It kills ones aspirations and dooms him to vagabondage and crime."

So, in reading the words of Mr. Woodson, what group of people is he claiming to be responsible for unleashing crooks into society? And is it mainly true? In my eyes, not enough people in power have made real efforts to end mental slavery even if they continue to say, "everything is much better now or that it's the fault of poor people for not being able to make ends meet.

I constantly hear typical comments like these all the time. Here is a local example of mental slavery right here on campus, courtesy of the Wallace Bookstore. As I understand it, this item has just recently been pulled this semester from further purchase. I normally don't purchase items like this from a bookstore and that's why I was unaware of its existence at Wallace's. Nevertheless, I heard it has been around for a good while, long before it was removed. And that's where I find a problem with this. I ask myself, "how can the manager and employees of the Wallace Bookstore let this type of trash be circulated amongst the student population?"

And more so, "how can my black brothers and sisters remain quiet after viewing it and knowing that they should have taken some kind of a stand to show their disapproval of its presence?" The item that was brought to my attention by friends of mine was a postcard of a statue showing a black man tipping his hat. Quite harmless until you read the back. It read "THE GOOD DARKY. The first statue erected in the south to the memory of the devoted Negro of antebellum days, in grateful recognition of the arduous and faithful service of the good darkies of Louisiana." The color photo and pub. by Grant L. Robertson of Metarie, Louisiana 70001.

This quote below comes form the book *Chains and Images of Psychological Slavery* by Na'im Akbar, Ph.D. He elaborates his view on basically what I have just spoken about.

"These things, combined with the insults, the loss of culture traditions, rituals, family life, religion, and even names, served to cement the loss of self respect. As the slave master exalted himself, he was increasingly viewed as superior to the slaves. The superiority was based on the utter dehumanization of the Africans. The slave was forced to bow and bend to the slave owner and treat him as a god. With the image of a Caucasian man as God, and with all kinds of images of Africans as dirty and only half human, it was inevitable that a sense of inferiority would grow into the African-American personality."

I do applaud those who did speak out against the postcard that finally led to its removal. If people in power positions continue to allow any form of mental slavery to exist, they will in due time reap what they have sown.

# PROJECT: Phase one almost complete, more construction set for fall

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Boutte, director of housing, said.

Lindsey and Norman also said that although the project has no funding through grants, funding is being received by the use of excess money left over from other projects that are in effect around campus.

Whenever costs fall under previous estimation, the excess money is available for use by such projects as campus beautification.

Lindsey and Norman explained that self-generated funding is also being received through the use of the pavestone bricking. Plans are being finalized to give Northwestern alumni the chance to have their names become an actual part of the campus. For a fee, alumni can have their names and years of graduation engraved on a pavestone brick and have it placed as part of a future aspect of the campus beautification project.

"Restricted funds are also available through the purchasing of campus parking stickers," Lindsey said. The funds are used to buy new lighting and to pay for maintenance on streets. These items will help enhance the overall effect of the campus beautification project. They also said that additional funds for such items as concrete and walkways are also being received through general contract projects.

Many parts of phase one have been completed. One part was the laying of pavestone bricking where the faculty/staff parking lot was in front of Kyser Hall.

The laying of the bricks makes up one part of the "walking mall" concept. Bricks will stretch from Watson Library to the back of Kyser Hall by the time the three phases are completed. According to Lindsey and Norman, the total cost for the pavestone bricking was broken into two different parts.

Before the pavestone walkway was laid, many other parts of phase one were already completed. One of these parts included the transplanting of several trees from around the campus to the old faculty/staff parking lot.

According to Lindsey and Norman, the price for this included the actual moving of the trees and the cost of the labor.

Also completed was the laying of new drainage pipe and conduits for items such as new fiber optic lines, telephone lines and steam lines.

New sidewalks were also laid in front of Williamson Hall and around Kyser Hall before the pavestones could be placed.

Norman said that one misconception is that the new sidewalk by Roy Hall is part of the campus beautification project.

According to Lindsey and Norman, the new sidewalk was built by the same staff that is working on the campus beautification project but was funded by the SGA.

Phase one is almost complete and phase two will begin soon and be finished before the fall semester, according to Lindsey and Norman.

# JAZZ: All-female jazz band to form

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sidered to be credible jazz musicians, but we see that women are very credible since there are several women musicians who have become successful concert and recording artists," Slatter said.

"The all-female band will be unique. It's been great going out and recruiting musicians for the group," he said. "It should be very interesting."

The Jazz Ensemble will be performing for a group of Dallas-area community colleges on March 30 and will take part in the Shreveport-Bossier Jazz Festival on April 21. Slatter said the group is looking forward to playing on those two occasions because it is a good opportunity to help attract new students and promote Northwestern's program.

For the Big Band Dance, the Jazz Ensemble will play traditional works including numbers by Glenn Miller and Tommy Dorsey.

"This will be a very good experience for our musicians because they don't get to play this type of music very often," said Slatter. "Most of what we play is music for concerts which differs from dance music. It's great to play big band dance music because unfortunately it is dying out," he said. "There aren't that many big bands around anymore."

Table reservations are available at $100 for a table of eight and $125 for a table of 10. Tickets can be purchased at $25 per couple with seating assigned at a reserved table. Two bottles of wine will be provided for each table.

No concessions or catering will be available. For more information contact Linnye Daily at 352-7970 or Dr. William Mathis at 352-5724.

# ROEMER: Former governor speaks on crime, education

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tion program because, "Louisiana was the only state in America that didn't evaluate teachers periodically" when he was first elected governor.

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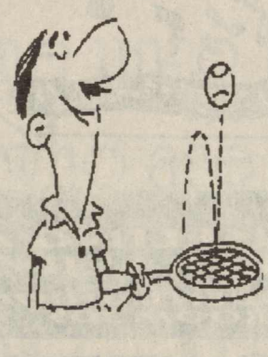
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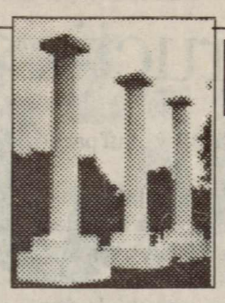


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***Zeta Phi Beta***

The ladies of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc., would like to thank everyone who participated and came out in support of our first annual Player's Ball. We would like to encourage more participants in next year's ball. We look forward to a bigger and better time next year.

We are also having an Informational Seminar Wednesday, April 26, at 8 pm in the Cane River Room. We would like to encourage all interested ladies to attend.

***RA Workshop***

There will be a future RA workshop on Tuesday, April 18, at 5 pm in Rm. 320 of the Student Union. Applications may be picked up from the Housing Office. Interviews will be conducted April 19, 20, and 21. You must attend the RA workshop to qualify for an interview.

***Blue Key***

Blue Key will meet this Thursday at 6 pm in Rm. 321 of the Student Union. New members are invited to attend this meeting. This meeting is formal, so all members are reminded to dress appropriately. New members need to pay the one-time membership fee of $35, if you have not done so.

Checks should be made out to Blue Key and must be turned in on Thursday. New officers will be elected at our next meeting. Also, our annual banquet will Purple Jackets is coming up soon.

***Alpha Lambda Delta***

Alpha Lambda Delta Members: T-shirts will be ordered March 31, they sell for $8. Contact Tammie (4306) or Lauren (6816) for more information. Also, all new members interested in applying for an office contact Lauren (6816) or Mrs. Gillis (5621).

***SGA***

The Student Government Association will be conducting elections on April 19 and 20 for Executive Officers and Senators-at-Large. The position of Treasurer is available to full-time students who have been at NSU for one year, have completed 45 credit hours and have completed two accounting classes (further qualifications may apply).

Interested students must turn in an intent to file form by March 31. Interest to file forms and election rules may be picked up in the SGA office, Rm 222 of the Student Union. For more information, visit the SGA office or call 4501.

***Sigma Sigma Sigma***

Tri-Sigma- Tuesday: dress up and wear your badges, Wednesday: wear your letters, Thursday: Special Olympics (call Stacy Webben if you need your times), The last softball game this season is at 3:30, Saturday: Danceline tryouts Special Olympics in Shreveport(any questions call Martha Hopper or Kelly Morris), Sunday: Meeting at the house, 7 pm Don't forget your 3 coloring books are due, Remember: Show your support on Sat. to the girl's trying our for danceline, good luck!

***SAB***

The Student Activities Board has a week full of events for this year's "Spring Fling...Jamaican Me Crazy", April 3-6. Monday (3rd)..."Movie Madness" 7 pm "Frankenstein" and "True Lies" (in the Alley) Tuesday (4th)..."Comedy Central" 8 pm "Ad-Libs"...an inprov comedy troop from Dallas, Tx (in the Alley); Wednesday (5th)..."Crawfish N' Music" 2 pm...All you can eat mud bugs and if you like Jimmy Buffet you'll like the John Reno Band $3 with ID (outside the Coliseum) Thursday (6th)..."Carnival comes to NSU" 10 am-4 pm (Student Union and/or Iberville) 1. Gyro 2. Bungee Run 3. Velcro Wall 1 Noon-Movies continue "Frankstein and True Lies" (in the alley). Show your school spirit by purchasing your spring fling...Jamaican Me Crazy T-shirt, which will be sold at all events and room 214 of the Student Union.

***Registrar's Office***

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If you have moved and changed your address within the past three months, please go to the Registrar's Office-Roy Hall Rm 108-and fill out an address correction form to change your address.

SGA MINUTES
MARCH 13, 1995

Meeting opened—8:03. Roll called—the following Senators were absent—Stephanie Gardner, Kasey Nunley, Micah Sims, Chris Clements, and Mary McDaniel.
Minutes from last meeting were approved.
Reports:
Treasurer: A.A. approved and paper work completed.
Club sports met about bill 95-07, the $6,200 for the Amateur Radio Association. Angela Lacour will be asking for contribution for Freshman Connection.
President: We now have an agenda and committees are listed. There are 5 departments and 6 committees. Currently reworking committees. Turn in what committee you serve on or would like to change to. Legislation is due Fridays by Noon.
Academic Affairs: Met on March 3 about bill 95-10. Trying to get Dr. Alost to support the teacher evaluations.
External Affairs: Working on publicity
Student Affairs: Looking at free legal services for students, computer lab updates, ID card discounts.
Club Sports: Met on March 3 about bill 95-07, the $6,200 for the Amateur Radio Association.
Environmental Awareness: Meeting at 7 pm next week.
Free Speech Forum: Meeting on March 13, Buddy Roemer is speaking on March 23, at 10 am in the ballroom.
Traffic, Safety & Security: Meeting Wed., March 15 at 4 pm.
Internal Affairs, Fiscal Affairs, Campus Improvements, and Election Board have not report.
OLD BUSINESS:
Senator DeVibliss moved to bring off the table Bill 95-07—6,200 for a new receiver for the Amateur Radio Association. Pres. Gray, of the ARA spoke again of its benefits. Stated that fundraisers and dues are currently being used to license the members. Discussion ensued. Senator Alexander asked how much money was left in Club Sports. Treasurer Gardner answered $0, money would be taken out of next year's budget. Pres. Dickens stated that he did not see ARA as a club sport, however, it is beneficial to other students and community. Need more info from Fulton on the matter. Senator Alexander stated that the receiver would benefit LA, but did not believe that SGA should pay for all, possibly part. Senator DeVibliss asked which club sports get yanked next year because of the missing money for the receiver. Who will pay for upkeep? Pres. Gray, ARA stated that it is new and will not need upkeep for many years, and that dues and fundraisers will pay. Questions was asked of longevity of club? Gray replied that the advisor and other members would recruit members. Senator Kelly moved to table 95-07 until further info could be gathered. It failed. Senator Bailes moved that the Senate go into Executive Session. It passed unanimously. Senate returned to general session. Senator Alexander moved to table Bill 95-07 until more info could be gathered. Motion passed. Bill 95-07 was tabled.
NEW BUSINESS:
Senator Bailes moved to purchase Freshman Connection t-shirts. Angela Lacour spoke on behalf of Freshman Connection. She stated that SGA has always purchased the t-shirts which are given to the incoming Freshman, FC staff & faculty involved. SGA is figured on the t-shirts. Motion passed. 13 for, 0 opposed, 4 abstention. Senator Mayeux moved to accept Resolution 95-09, the bridge across Chaplain's Lake to the aviation airport. Passed unanimously. Senator Alexander moved to accept Resolution 95-10, Drop/Add Day, pass unanimously.
SPECIAL REPORTS:
Senator Mayeux reported from SAB. Irish Scavenger Hunt, 5 people per team, sign up in SAB office. Senator Vuoleman's quote of the week: "Old fools were young fools once." Meeting adjourned at 9:04.


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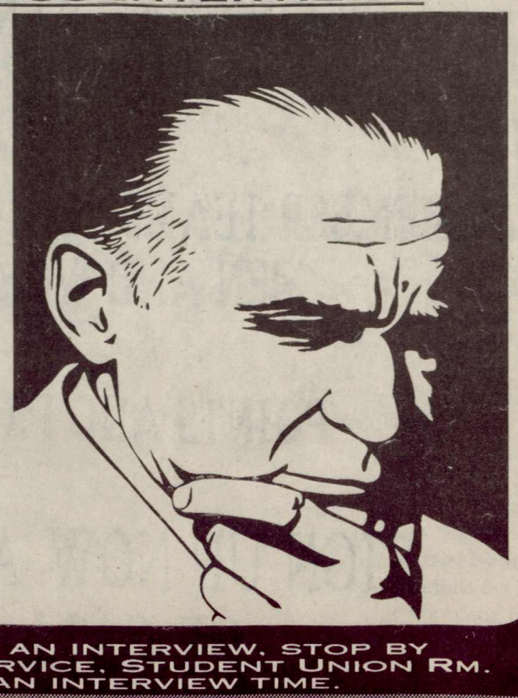
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# In the Bin: Polara, Ars Moriende, *Respect*

By Rick Anderson
*College Press Service*

POLARA
Artist: Polara
Genre: Rock
Label: Clean/TwinTone (CR 89276-2)
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Look, up in the sky! It's pop . . it's punk . . it's alternative. . . it's. . . it's POLARA! In the wake of a solid music-press buzz (including a mention in PULSE! magazine as "One of the Things We're Like, Psyched About"), Polara's debut album is as fresh and bracing as a bucket of ice water in the face. It's kind of hard to pigeonhole this band, which is refreshing—part dewy-eyed psychedelic sentimentality ("If you feel it, let it show!," singer Ed Ackerson implores on "Avenue E"), part punky bombast ("Counting Down" features the world's harshest guitar sound) and part gimmicky overkill (check out the voice treatment on "One Foot"), this album has all the offbeat charm of a goofy kid nephew.

This is a band that does a lot of things I can't figure out. For instance, how do they manage to get such a consistently horrific guitar sound on "Counting Down" and yet make the song itself so pleasant? And how do they deliver those whimsical lyrics without ever sounding hippy-dippy? And just who is Ed Ackerson anyway? Polara's home base of Minneapolis has a history of producing weird but lovable bands and personalities (Husker Du, The Replacements, The Short Purple Guy Who Can't Grow a Beard Formerly Known as Prince), so I guess this is just one more example that breeding shows. Whatever the explanation, this disc is a charmer. Here's hoping for more, soon.

ARS MORIENDE
Artist: Jonas Hellborg with Glen Velez
Genre: Jazz/World
Label: Day Eight Music (DEM 034)
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Normally I'd recommend that one steer clear of albums that make three tracks last for over an hour. When two of those three tracks have titles such as "Ritual Love-Death" and "Regicide," when the album title is in Latin, when an ancient swastika figures prominently in the liner photo and when the accompanying notes consist primarily of a glorification of ancient death rituals, then it's usually time to turn tail and run from the record store. But when the artist in question is bassist Jonas Hellborg, it's time to put common sense aside and listen carefully—Hellborg is not only one of the world's finest living bass players in the technical sense; he is also capable of putting the listener into completely unexpected musical situations and completely confounding whatever expectations he or she may have, all the while revealing, layer by layer, wholly new musical worlds.

I know that sounds like a bunch of pretentious music critic garbage, but just give a fair listen to his work with Tony Williams and the Soldier String Quartet on "The Word" (Axiom 162 539 898-2) or with Michael Shrieve (!) and Buckethead on "Octave of the Holy Innocents" (DEM 032) and see if you don't agree. And then go out and find this duet album, recorded with percussionist and overtone singer Glen Velez. Velez is one of America's finest ethnic percussionists, and he really gets to strut his stuff on the 23-minute long "Regicide." He's also a pretty respectable singer, and his eerie overtone singing insinuates itself in and out of the music throughout this album.

As for Hellborg, if you don't believe that solo bass guitar can hold your interest, then you need to listen to more of his stuff. It's not just his chops, though he established those long ago in his note-for-note cutting sessions with John McLaughlin; it's his oblique, almost otherworldly approach to melody and his ability to spin new motivic matter seemingly out of thin air at the drop of a beat. Hellborg is a genuine musical phenomenon, but more importantly, he's always a pleasure to listen to.

(If you can't find this or other Day Eight titles in your local CD store, write to Day Eight Music at 532 La Guardia Place #421, New York, N.Y. 10012.)

Various Artists
"Respect to Studio One"
Genre: Reggae (Rock Steady)
Heartbeat (CD HB 181/182)
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Heartbeat Records remains the best American source for early reggae, ska and rock steady, and label head Chris Wilson consistently amazes with his ability to dig up rare and archaic recordings.

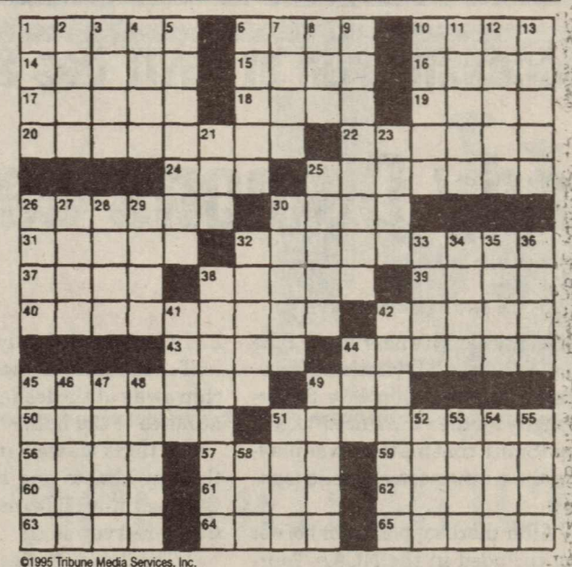
The remasterings he oversees are always first-rate, and the disc packaging is always clearly a labor of love. His ongoing relationship with legendary producer Clarence "Coxsone" Dodd has produced some outstanding collections of early reggae, including the "Best of Studio One" series, and his compilations of tracks produced by Joe Gibbs, Errol Thompson, Lloyd Daley and Alvin Ranglin also are wonderful. In a reggae market which sometimes seems completely saturated with ruthless producers out to make the fastest buck possible, Wilson has to be commended for his efforts to keep reggae's roots strong and in the public ear.

This two-disc retrospective, though it consists mostly of tracks previously released on earlier collections, is a solid value and is crammed with classic tunes by such seminal artists as the Cables, Dennis Alcapone, Burning Spear, Lee Perry and even the Wailers, ska-era. These tracks were all produced by Coxsone Dodd, and the sound quality is as good as can be expected from Jamaican recordings of the sixties and seventies—maybe even better.

It's fun to see the juxtaposition of such relative unknowns as Carlton and the Shoes, Larry Marshall and Slim Smith with artists who later went on to greater fame—the Wailers being the prime example, of course, but the same being true of the Skatalites, Lee Perry and Sugar Minott.

The collection's focus is on rock steady tracks from around the turn of the decade, and the second disc ends with six "ska tracks." No specific tracks really stand out as especially outstanding (though Lee Perry's typically bizarre "Don't Blame the Baldhead" comes close), but there aren't any clunkers, either. If you want a good summary history of the reggae genre, this set is perfect.

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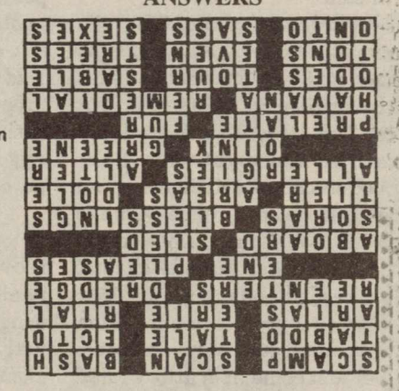


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38 Level pieces of ground
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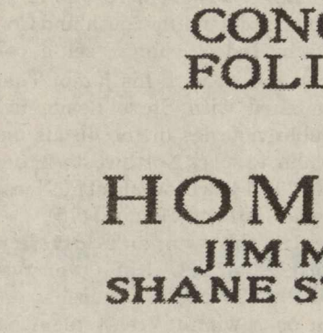

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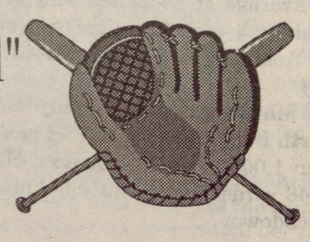
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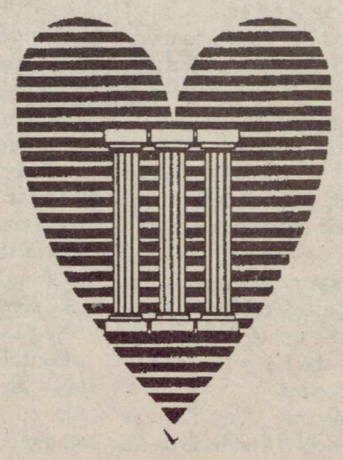
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### Successful run at NWIT has Smith looking forward to next season

# Lady Demons earn respect with runnerup trophy

FROM STAFF AND WIRE REPORTS

Northwestern's near-miss of the National Women's Invitational Tournament championship late Saturday night further convinced Coach James Smith that his team was playing in the wrong postseason tournament.

"After the disappointment of not being included in the NCAA Tournament, our players wanted to prove that it was a mistake. They did," Smith said.

Northwestern, matching the school's best-ever record (25-7), dropped an 85-81 decision to Texas A&M Saturday in the tournament finals. The Lady Demons, seeded seventh in the eight-team field, drubbed second seeded Clemson and outran third seeded Notre Dame to reach the NWIT final, which came down to the final seconds against the top-seeded Lady Aggies.

"It was a great game to watch and we poured our hearts and souls out, but just came up a little short," Smith said. "It was like a home game for A&M, which had tremendous crowd support and a big homecourt advantage. They didn't have to shoot it from the field in the last three minutes. They just kept going to the line and they're a great free throw shooting team.'

Smith was undaunted by the outcome and impressed with his team's tenacity.

"I thought we were the better of the two teams, and 90 percent of the coaches out there told me so afterwards," he said. "We jumped out to a 16-point lead and then the style of play changed. It went from a basketball game to a football game, which makes it very difficult for us."

Northwestern held a 26-10 lead with 10:11 left in the first half. The Lady Demons led only 35-34 at the half as the Lady Aggies were able to chip away at the lead in the final 10 minutes of the half.

"I think we were intimidated by their quickness and athleticism in the beginning," Texas A&M Coach Candi Harvey said.

The Lady Aggies claimed the lead early in the second half, led by tournament MVP Lisa Branch's 28 points and a 39-33 rebounding advantage over the Lady Demons.

Northwestern reclaimed the lead on a short jumper in the lane by Stephanie Shaw to make it 72-71 with 3:55 left to play, but the Lady Aggies scored six straight points and never trailed again.

The Lady Demons had shots to tie or take the lead in the waning seconds. Trailing 83-81, All-Tournament selection Joskeen Garner snagged a missed A&M free throw with 15 seconds to go. The Lady Demons rushed upcourt and Angela Simpson's 10-foot baseline jumper was off the mark. Bridgete Williams snagged the rebound and got off a three-pointer, but it didn't drop and A&M controlled the rebound in th final seconds. The Lady Aggies added two free throws to clinch the game.

"Simp got a good look at it and got bumped pretty good on the shot, but we didn't get a call and the shot didn't go," Smith said. "Bridgete got the long rebound and shot. It looked like it was going in from where we were, but it rattled in and came out, and that was the game."

Northwestern advanced to the championship game with impressive wins over Clemson (19-11) and Notre Dame (20-10). The Lady Demons opened the tournament Thursday with an 80-64 thrashing of the Lady Tigers and advanced to Saturday's championship with a come-from-behind 103-93 over the Lady Irish.

Williams, who capped her college career by being named to the All-Tournament team, led the Lady Demons in the win over Clemson with 24 points, while Simpson, another All-Tournament selection, chipped in 21.

Garner, who added an All-Tournament selection to her list of personal awards this season (Southland Conference Player of the Year, Honorable Mention AP All-America), added 14 points and a game-high 18 rebounds.

Simpson poured in a season-high 37 points, 22 in the decisive second half, in the win over Notre Dame. Williams added 24 and Shaw 22 for the Lady Demons.

Smith, whose team won the Southland Conference regular season title but was upset in the SLC tournament final by Stephen F. Austin, was heartened by his team's performance at the NWIT.

"I saw that we're as good as everybody said we were at the start of the year," he said. "We were under a lot of pressure the entire year, being picked No. 1 in the league. Everybody treated us like the conference championship game and we still managed to win it [SLC].

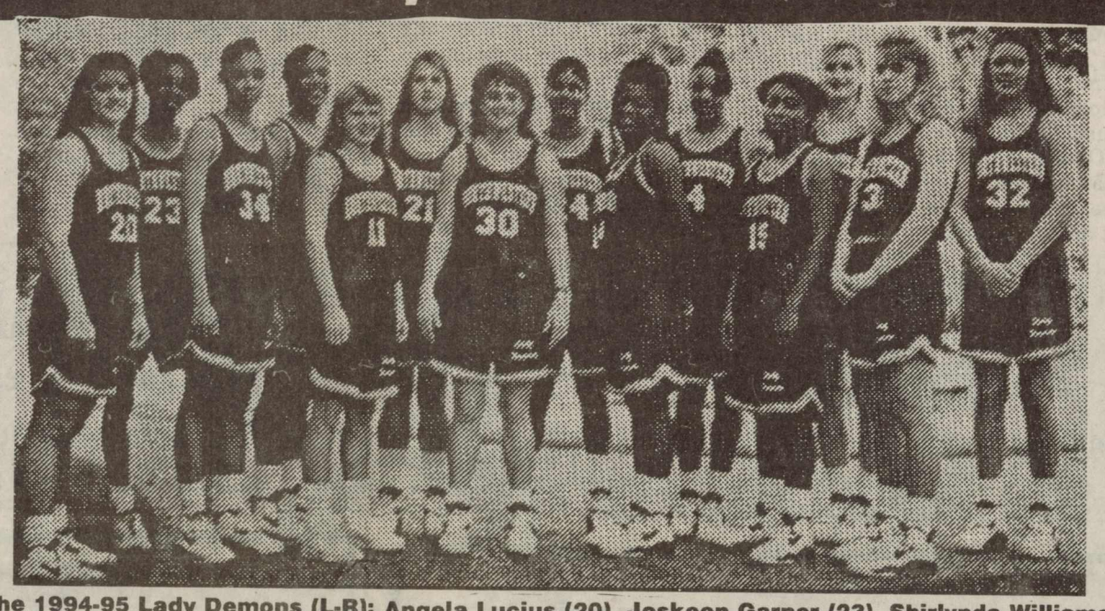
"We have a lot of heart. The kids played so hard for three nights in a row, it was really amazing. It was fun watching them play the way they did."

Northwestern loses two starters in Williams and post Susan Baxter to graduation. Back next year will be All-SLC picks Garner, Simpson, and Shaw.

One Clemson assistant coach told Northwestern assistant coach Wendy Luebbers the Lady Demons were "one post player away from being a national force."

"We're proud of ourselves," Smith said. "Hopefully, at the beginning of preseason next year, the voters in the polls will put us where we think we ought to be."

## Take That, NCAA



The 1994-95 Lady Demons (L-R): Angela Lucius (20), Joskeen Garner (23), Shirlynda Williams (34), Stephanie Williams (41), Missi Hardy (11), Amanda Cooper (21), Stephanie Shaw (30), Cynthia Brown (24), Bridgete Williams (14), Nicole Lacy (4), Angela Simpson (15), Susan Baxter (52), Alison Norman (31), Kim Kahl (32).

# Loss drops Demons into five-way tie for SLC first place

LAKE CHARLES, La.—After splitting a Southland Conference baseball doubleheader with McNeese State Saturday, Northwestern came up short Sunday losing the deciding third game by a 4-2 score at Cowboy Diamond.

With the loss, Northwestern falls to 16-8 overall and 6-3 in SLC play. McNeese raises its record to 20-10 and 6-3 in the SLC as well. There are currently five schools tied for first place in the Southland Conference at 6-3.

After winning the first game Saturday 7-4, the Demons were blasted in the nightcap by a 13-2 score.

The Northwestern offense could produce only two runs on six hits Sunday and the defense committed three costly errors leading to the Cowboy victory.

Duane Stelly scored in the top of the first inning on a Mark Burke single for the Demons, but Northwestern would add only one more run in the fifth inning en route to the loss.

McNeese put together a three-run second inning which the Demons could not come back from. The third run scored on a wild throw to third by Demon catcher Shawn McHugh as he was trying to throw out Damon Rapp.

The Cowboys' other run came in the sixth inning when Demons third baseman Matt Donner could not handle a Chris Adcox ground ball, allowing Adcox to reach base. Adcox eventually scored a big McNeese insurance run.

Terry Joseph doubled with two outs in the top of the ninth, but Stelly grounded out to end the game.

Ironically, it was Stelly who had the best day at the plate for Northwestern, going 2-for-4 with one run and an RBI.

Brian Dulin started and took the loss for the Demons, his first of the year (4-1).

Corey Bond came on in relief, going an inning and two-thirds, allowing only one hit and no runs.

Northwestern will try to bounce back Tuesday when it travels to Fair Grounds Field in Shreveport to face Centenary at 7 p.m.

# Football opens spring practice with experience, high hopes

An experienced, talented Northwestern football team opened spring practice Friday as Coach Sam Goodwin and 50 returning lettermen began preparing for his 13th season in charge of the Demons.

The team will go through 15 workouts, culminating April 29 with the seventh annual Joe Delaney Memorial Bowl intrasquad game at Turpin Stadium to highlight the second annual Greater Demon Purple Pitchfork Pigskin Party. Goodwin welcomes back 15 starters from last year's 5-6 team and has a 28-man senior class to build around.

"I think this should be the best football team Northwestern's had," Goodwin said. "I really feel good about this group."

The Demon offense will feature senior quarterback Brad Laird, who is poised to set school career passing and total offense records next fall, and sensational junior running back Clarence Matthews, a first-team All-Southland Conference selection last season who gained over 1,000-yards on the ground.

Laird will not participate in any contact drills during spring practice following January surgery on his left (non-throwing) wrist. Sophomore Brandon Emmanuel and redshirt freshman Warren Patterson of Bunkie will handle the quarterback duties, Goodwin said.

"We wanted to give them a lot of work in any case so that we'd really believe in one, or both of them, coming out of the spring," he said. "I think it could very well happen that we have two there who can do the job this fall if needed. Both of them could develop into premier players in our league."

Laird threw for 1,661 yards on 58 percent accuracy last season in nine games. He led the Demons to an average of 29 points and 392 total yards per game after recovering from a preseason shoulder injury.

Matthews became only the fourth Demon ever to run for more than 1,000 yards in a season. His 1,048 yards rushing included nine touchdowns.

Eight defensive starters return, headed by tackle Nathan Platt and linebacker George Haynes, both seniors. Platt made eight tackles for 50 negative yards in just over eight games last season before an ankle injury benched him. Haynes had 68 tackles despite missing almost four games with a stress fracture in his foot.

Senior Troy Barnes will move from cornerback, where he was a part-time starter last year, to free safety.

"Troy's capable of being a big-time player there once he settles in and learn the new position," Goodwin said. "That, and trying to find some more speed at linebacker, are the two keys this spring defensively."

The Demons will work out four times this week. The team will get an 11-day vacation for spring break from April 6-16, then get back on track to prepare for a full scale scrimmage April 22.

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**Demon Head Coach Sam Goodwin**

## Hamilton's first no-hitter helps Lady Demons split with Southeastern Louisiana

HAMMOND, La.--Northwestern freshman Anne Hamilton made her first collegiate win something to remember as she fired a no-hitter in leading the Lady Demons to a 2-0 softball victory over Southeastern Louisiana in game two of Saturday's softball doubleheader.

The Lady Lions pounded out 17 hits in the opener to cruise to a 10-3 decision.

Hamilton's gem marks the first no-hitter for Northwestern since April 5, 1993, when Kristi Parcel dominated Delta State in a 6-0 Lady Demon win.

Southeastern starter Denise Mitchell was also working on a no-hitter until the top of the seventh inning when the Lady Demons finally broke the ice.

Third baseman Amy Thomas led off and reached first base on an error by shortstop Kelly Bembry. Catcher Robyn Robinett then followed with a single for the first Northwestern hit.

After Becca Allen reached on an error to load the bases, center fielder Jennifer Painter came up and smacked a single, scoring Thomas and Robinett.

That was all the offense Hamilton would need as the Ontario, Canada native set down the Lady Lions in the seventh for her first win against four losses. She fanned two and walked none as two Northwestern errors prevented her from throwing a perfect game.

Northwestern moves to 6-18 (3-13 SLC) on the year and returns to Southland Conference action today with a trip to Lake Charles to take on last year's conference co-champion McNeese State.

## Sports Briefs

### Golf finishes eighth out of ten teams at Waterwood tourney

Northwestern's scores dropped as most golfers struggled on the Waterwood Country Club layout, but the Demons settled for eighth place in the Waterwood Intercollegiate Tournament last week despite Todd Archambault's closing 75.

Kansas won the 10-team tournament with an 884 and host Sam Houston State was second at 899. Northwestern posted its best team score in the third and final round Tuesday, a 311 that left the Demons with a 937 total.

Archambault's 75 shaved seven shots from his second-round score and gave him a 237 total for 37th in the individual standings. Northwestern's low scorer was Troy Prusky, whose second-round 74 Monday was followed by a closing 80 for a 233 total and a tie for 27th place.

Northwestern's Jason Myatt shot 77-235 and tied for 32nd place. The Demons' Jim Crotty closed with an 82 for a 242 total (46th) and Weyers Van Rensburg carded a final-round 79 for a 246 total (49th).

### Men's track team brings home title

Sophomore Terrance Bean provisionlly qualified for the NCAA Outdoor Championships with a 7-3 1/2 winning mark in the high jump Saturday, leading Northwestern's men to a successful defense of the Cowboy Relays track and field meet title.

Bean, a sophomore who is the two-time defending Southland Conference Indoor champ, set a personal record with his jump. That, combined with Steve Readeaux's double victories in the discus and javelin, to spark Northwestern to an easy 208-144 win over host McNeese, Lamar (83) and Samford (75).

In the women's division, Northwestern's Cynthia Owens won the 100 and 200-meter dashes and ran on a winning relay team but McNeese took the team title, outscoring Northwestern 317-121. Lamar was third at 110 and Samford had 33.

Readeaux had season-best marks in the discus (157-3) and javelin (189-11). He added a second-place finish in the shot put (49-11 1/2) as teammate Mike Heimerman won it with a 50-7 mark.

The Demons went 1-2-3 in the triple jump as Pineville sophomore Adrian Kirk led the way with a 47-7 3/4 mark. Adrian Bey (44-7 3/4) was second and Adrian Rogers (42-11) third in the Northwestern sweep.

The victories by Readeaux, Heimerman, Bean and Kirk were among nine first places in the men's competition for Northwestern. Pineville freshman Jeremy Huffman won the 800-meters (1:54.72). Dylan Kennedy took the 1500 (4:06.63), Ron Lewis won the 400 (49.37) and the Demons took the 4x400-meter relay in 3:17.46. Lewis, Huffman, Clinton Williams, and Mike Cervantes combined on the winning Demons relay unit.

A short-handed Northwestern women's team still managed seven first places. Owens ran a personal record 12.09 to win the 100 and had a 25.42 in taking the 200.

Niema Malone won the long jump in a personal record 19-2 and joined Owens, DorLisa Landry and Leslie Hunter on the winning 4x100 relay team that ran 47.48.

Northwestern's Carla Davison won the 800-meters (2:17.28) and teammate Regina Buford was the discus titlist (130-11).

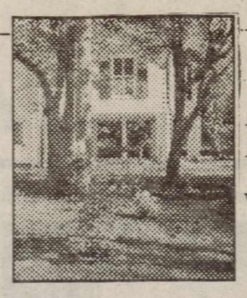
Freshman Tiffany Cronin got her first outdoor win in the triple jump (35-11 1/2).

Maryalyce Walsh ran second in the 5000 (18:58.63) while Buford was second in the shot put at 41-3.



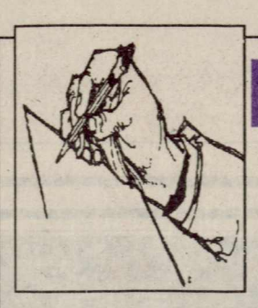
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Northwestern's Tarius Brown adds All-Louisiana to his postseason awards



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Student participation in CAAP exam important for Northwestern's future


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## World Report

### CAMPUS

**CLEO FIELDS TO SPEAK APRIL 26:** Gubernatorial candidate Cleo Fields will hold a town meeting in the Ballroom at 1 p.m. April 26. The event is hosted by the SGA.

**NON-CREDIT PROPOSALS DUE FRIDAY:** Continuing Education is accepting proposals for non-credit short courses for the summer and fall semesters. Marketing, promotion and registration for the courses will be handled by Continuing Education. The theme is *This Summer: Do Something for Yourself, Do Something for Your Home, Do Something for Your Kids*. For more information, call 4570 and ask for Sujuan Boutte or Betty Creamer. The deadline is April 7.

**ALOST TO 'TRADE PLACES' FOR A DAY:** President Alost will give up his title and briefcase in exchange for a student's backpack. The Northwestern Alumni Association is selling tickets that make the winner eligible to trade places with the President for a day. Tickets can be bought from any member of the Alumni Association for $1. The drawing will be held April 21 and the event will be held on April 25. For more information call 4414.

### CITY

**NATCHITOCHES DEPUTY CONVICTED OF MANSLAUGHTER:** Deputy Carson Attaway, 60, was convicted of manslaughter after the jury deliberated only one and a half hours last Wednesday. Attaway shot Joseph H. Read, 47, of Clarence Oct. 9. Read had just recently been awarded custody of Attaway's grandson. Attaway claimed he fired in self-defense.

### STATE

**EDWARDS TO BUY EXPENSIVE ESTATE :** Gov. Edwin Edwards, champion of the poor, plans to buy $121,000 lot after his term in office. Edwards claims he was for the poor, but he never said he was poor.

### NATION

**FROM BOTTICELLI TO WARHOL: PAINTINGS ONLINE**: It's two days away from the next exam, and all those slides viewed in art history class may seem like one big blur but the students at Dartmouth University, have little reason to panic. Instead, they can just turn on their computers. The Artemisia Imaging Project has made 3,000 images of paintings studied in the college's art history classes available to students online. The images are grouped by the classes in the order they were viewed, identified by artist, title, date, style and museum location.

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# CAAP test evaluates NSU's performance

## Students must complete test to register in 3000 or higher courses

KIP PATRICK
*Contributing Writer*

Students identified as having completed their freshman year core or general education classes have been notified of the testing dates for the College Academic Assessment Program (CAAP).

Notification went to all students except nursing, radiologic technology and education majors who are administered a different assessment instrument for their core curriculum.

To register in 3000 or higher level courses and to go from a premajor to major status, a student must complete this battery of four tests.

"This is a critical step in Northwestern's development of institutional effectiveness activities," Tom Whitehead, director of the University's Southern Association Self-Study, said. "The University needs to know if our core courses are providing the students with the basic knowledge to complete their college careers."

Testing dates are at 2 p.m. in Rm. 320 of the Student Union on April 19, April 20, April 24 and April 25. Students may take the test at any of the testing dates, but a reservation has to be made with the Testing Office by April 7 for their choice of days.

No fee is charged to take the CAAP test and students can win prizes including gift certificates to area eating establishments, a $20 cash bonus if the average performance of all students taking the


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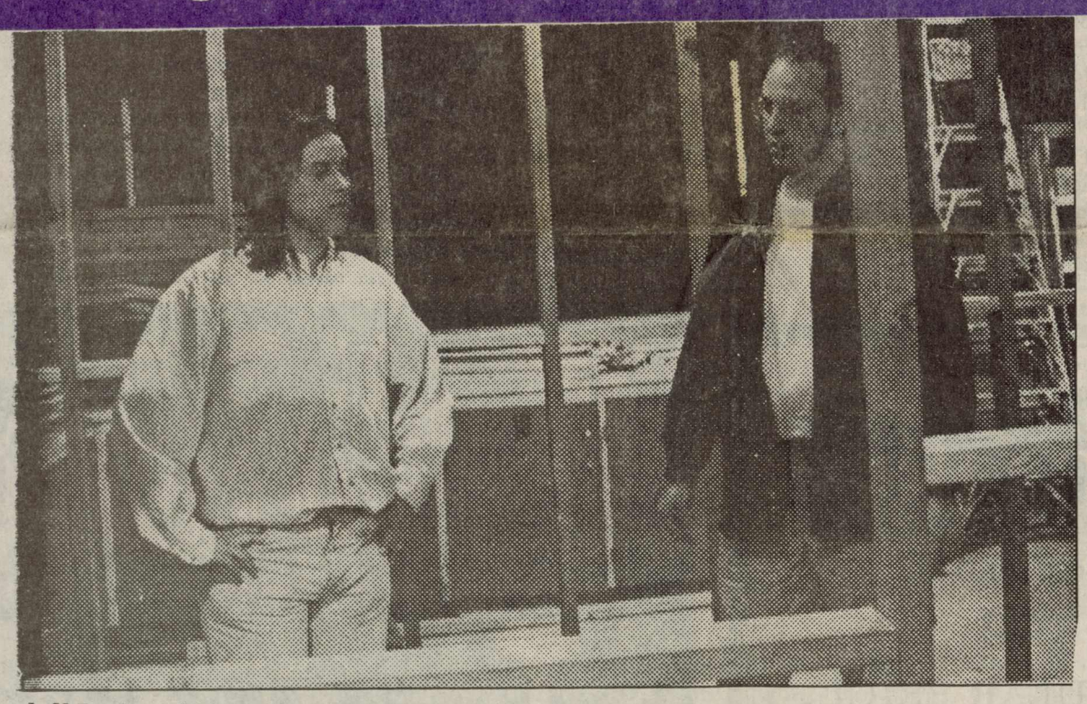
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## Moving Time...



**Jeff Burkett (right) and Buddy Wolforth (left) observe the construction of the new location of the campus radio station, KNWD, into Kyser Hall**

# Radio station to move to Kyser Hall

Construction is almost complete and KNWD, the campus radio station, will begin its move into Rm. 109 Kyser Hall by summer according to Ron McBride, head of the Journalism and Telecommunications department.

The radio station is moving from South Hall, which will become the home of the Historic Preservation Center and the Space Science program: two programs that have been seeking a permanent home on campus for some time now.

The move has been a long time coming. According to Jeff Burkett, general station manager of KNWD, plans have been in the works since he first got into management in the fall of '93. But other priorities came first. "Since someone else wants in the building, the radio station was moved to the top of the list." Burkett said.

According to McBride, the University had several reasons to move now.

"Northwestern needed that building," McBride said. "We also felt that it would be better for all served if the radio station was moved to Kyser so it could be nearer to the [journalism] department. And, in my mind, the biggest reason was that, when we recruit students, part of what we tell them is that we feel we have good facilities. By having the radio station in the building, we can show off print, broadcast and radio all in one facility."

Availability of University carpentry staff to renovate the Kyser space was also a factor.

McBride said that while the new station site was not the department's


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# Bibliography Center offers research computer program

SARAH CROOKS
*Current Sauce*

Music, message, and an occasional cartoon are all part of the Research Assistant computer program in the new Bibliography Center at Watson library.

It is "designed to teach library skills and the writing process," Evette Pearson, reference and bibliographic instruction librarian, said. The program carries students all the way from understanding their assignments to putting their paper in its final form by using the "10 steps for a successful research paper."

The program was "originally designed for high school students and first year freshmen," Pearson said. But it "could be used by everybody to some extent."

Students who are confused about where to look for certain things or aren't certain as to how to use APA or MLA style might want to try the Research Assistant.

Throughout the program, the computer surprises the user with on-screen messages like *The Nixon principle: If two wrongs don't make a right, try three!!!* and *Computers are very stupid*. While some students would agree with that last statement, the Research Assistant program is easy to use.



**Pearson**

Picture commands make getting into, out of and around the system easier for the user.

Since the major problem for most paper writers is time, the Research Assistant helps with a calender that it fills out with a schedule. The schedule lists what needs to be done by what time. Getting the paper done on time is still left entirely up to the writer. But this way, the writer knows exactly how much time he or she has left to procrastinate.

According to Pearson, one of the things that makes this program so interesting is that it has been modified specifically for Northwestern.

Lists of reference books include only the books that can be found at Watson Library.

Students will not spend valuable time looking for books that the library does not have.

Students who have a Macintosh computer at home may want their own copy of the software to use on their own. The library can provide copies for any student who is interested.

It takes about 45 minutes to an hour for a person to go through the entire program step by step, but some might only spend 15 or 20 minutes with the program.

It's really "up to the individual," Pearson said. "That's one of the reasons I liked it so much."

# Beautification project to continue

DEREK RABUCK
*Current Sauce*

*Editor's note: This is the second article from a series on campus beautification.*

With the phase one of the campus beautification project almost complete, phase two and three will begin in the fall.

These additions include a Walk of Fame, a possible fountain, the removal of the Centrex located between the Student Union and Fournet Hall, a new brick sidewalk in back of Fournet Hall and new sitting areas.

Part of a future phase will enable delivery people a way to access the back of the Student Union and Kyser Hall. For now a temporary gravel driveway, which is accessible through the new faculty/staff parking lot, has been laid for delivery people to use.

Another faculty/staff parking lot is also being planned. The parking lot, which would be located behind Bienvenu Hall, would help make up for the shortage of faculty/staff parking.

According to Harold Boutte, chairman of the campus beautification committee, the new phases will make the existing areas around the academic core "a safe place for students."

Norman agrees with Boutte. He feels that each phase of the campus beautification project will be "helping get rid of conflict between students and vehicles."

According to Boutte, the purpose of the project is to help "enhance the University appearance."

Boutte said that Northwestern is using the campus beautification project "to make it [the University] more welcoming" to the students, faculty and staff.

"We want to raise the image [of Northwestern] and give the students the creditability they deserve," Norman said.

Lindsey and Norman explained that the project emerged while trying to find a way to solve Americans with Disabilities Act deals with providing handicapped people with such thinds as wheelchair ramps and easy access parking.

Changes were needed to help the handicapped, so the idea of combining these changes, along with improving the looks of the campus at


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# News Briefs



## Microsoft educational software now available

Many of the latest educational software titles are now available to some area high school students and faculty through a grant awarded by Microsoft.

Software titles including Microsoft's Works, Publisher, Creative Writer and Fine Artist will made available to Northwestern's Elementary Lab and Middle Lab School, the Educational Technology Lab and the Instructional Resource Center.

Microsoft will also make CD-ROM titles and other teacher support materials available. Under the grant, complete product support will be available with some third party publisher materials.

Microsoft will allow Northwestern to network the software and allow simultaneous users to access the software from a network server or load it onto the hard drives if additional machines.

"This is an outstanding way for students to have access to the latest educational software and for teachers to learn how to integrate this software into their teaching," Sujuan Boutte, director of Northwestern's Technology Training Institute, said. "These products can have a very positive impact in the classroom, and we are looking forward to the results from this generous grant from Microsoft."

As part of the grant, the University will integrate Microsoft titles into teacher education coursework, encourage the creation of support materials lesson plans, templates and curriculum materials, present applications of Microsoft products for teacher education at conferences and workshops and produce materials on Microsoft product use for teacher education for publication.

## New York Philharmonic flutist to perform

Flutist Renee Siebert of the New York Philharmonic will present a recital and conduct masterclasses at Northwestern State University April 18-19.

Siebert will present a recital at 7:30 p.m. April 19 in the Magale Recital Hall. She will conduct a masterclass for college students from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. April 19. Students were selected to participate in the masterclass through an audition.

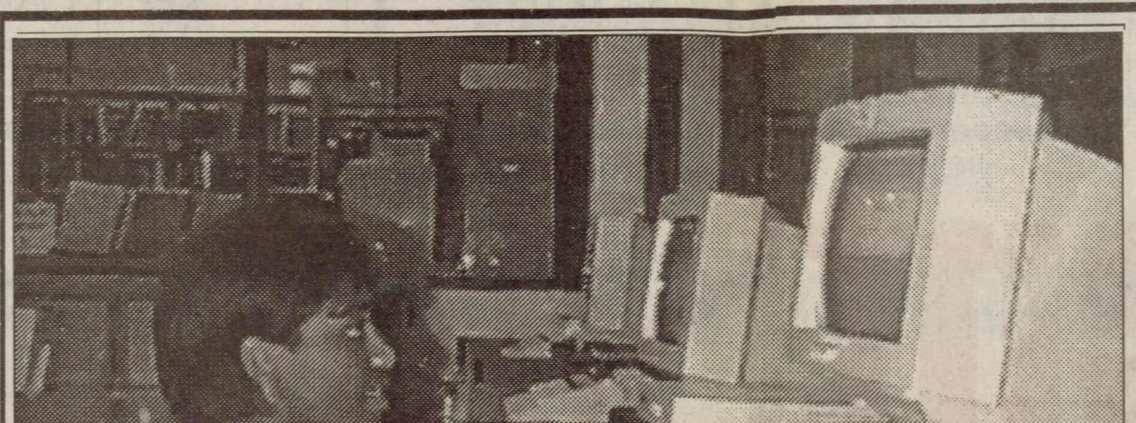
A member of the New York Philharmonic since 1974, Siebert has shown her versatility as a performer of solo, chamber music and orchestral repertoire. For three seasons, she appeared as a concerto soloist with the New York Philharmonic. She was soloist in Griffes "Poem for Flute and Orchestra" under Zubin Mehta.

Siebert has collaborated with artists such as Jean-Phillippe Collard, Emanuel Ax, Peter Serkin and Marc Nelkrug. She has appeared with Music from Marlboro, the Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center, Chamber Music at the Y and with Peter Serkin and Tashi.

Along with several philharmonic members, she presented chamber music concerts and coached chamber ensembles at Germany's Bahnhof Rolandseck Festival. Siebert has toured Japan twice, performing concertos and recitals and giving masterclasses. She has also recorded with the Hellbronn Chamber Orchestra.

Siebert presented the world premiere of Judith Shantin Allen's Flute Concerto at New York's Merkin Concert Hall and later recorded the work for EMI.

All of Siebert's appearances are free and open to the public.



**Linda Okereke, a senior at the Louisiana School for Math, Science and the Arts, takes advantage of the research assistant computer program in the new Bibliography Center in Watson Library.**

## Business executives to speak at forum

Three business executives will discuss a topic on the mind of all college students during the 29th Annual J. Walter Porter Forum at Northwestern Wednesday in the Magale Recital Hall.

The executives, Robert A. Myer of State Farm Insurance, Karl W. Moore of International Paper and Tom McCullough of Resource Advantage Inc., will discuss *Getting a Job in the 90's.*

Myer will begin the forum at 9 a.m. followed by Moore at 10 a.m. and McCullough at 11 a.m.

The J. Walter Porter Forum is sponsored by the Division of Business, and is made possible by an endowment established by the family and friends of Porter.

The forum was set up in recognition of Porter's interest in improving the image of business as a career field for college students and of his concern for moral and ethical standards as expressed in his philosophy of business.

The forum is an effort to translate the lessons of the classroom into practice by bringing capable, successful business executives to the campus to discuss selected topics in their area of expertise.

## Journalism professor presents paper on distance learning

Research on the highly touted information superhighway was presented recently at a conference by Dr. Melissa Price, assistant professor of journalism.

Price presented a paper, *Avoiding Gridlock on the Info-bahn*, at the Distant Education Conference in San Antonio. The paper was selected through a blind review process and for publication in the conference proceedings.

*Avoiding Gridlock on the Info-bahn* is about the information superhighway and how it is being touted as the answer to the distance learning needs of higher education. Price feels that academics in all disciplines need to be made aware of its potential concerning delivery of the educational experience to distant learners.

Price will also present *Student Satisfaction with Distance Education and the Medium of Instruction: Is there a relationship?* during the June 17-21 ED-MEDIA 95, a world conference on education multimedia and hypermedia to be held in Graz, Austria.

This paper debates if there is a correlation between student satisfaction with the distance learning experience and medium instruction. This study surveyed 2,942 students enrolled in 79 classes taught via instructional television fixed service, video tape or audio tape at the University of South Carolina.

## Summer camp to offer Fiction 101

The Division of Continuing Education is sponsoring a summer camp for writers, Fiction 101, July 5-8.

The camp will feature several professional writers who will give tips to writers and aspiring writers on writing techniques and how to get published.

Subjects to be covered include short fiction, horror fiction, mainstream novels, romances and research methods.

During the camp, critique sessions will be held to provide individualized attention to writer's work in progress.

For more information on the camp, call 357-4570 or 1-800-256-2822.


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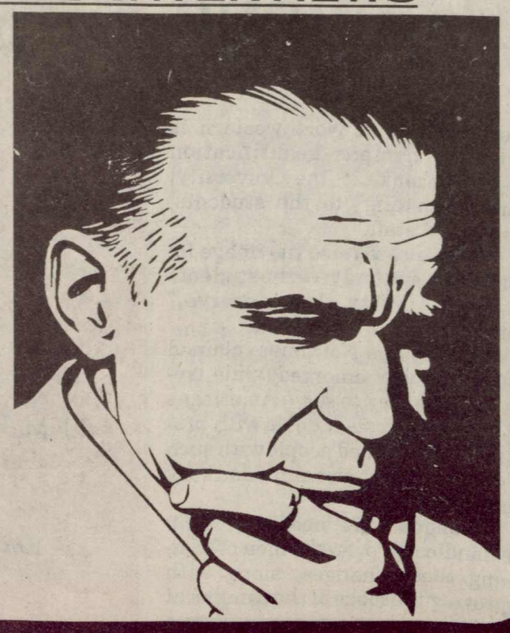
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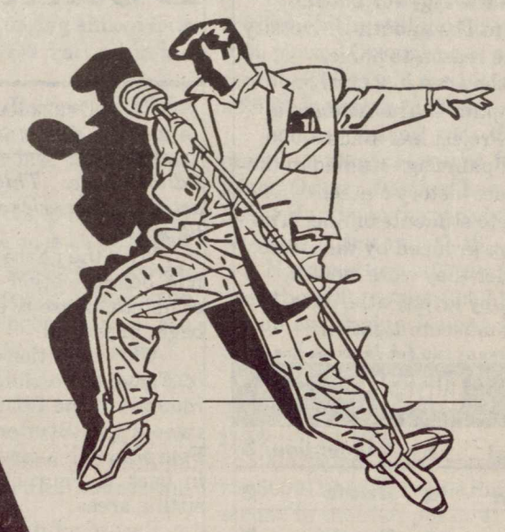
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# Student volunteers break away from traditional spring getaways

MARCO BUSCAGLIA
*College Press Service*

The biggest challenge many students face during spring break is finding a way to get themselves out of bed and to the beach.

But for a growing number of students, the week off from classes is more than a chance to work on their tans. Students volunteering for alternative spring breaks say they're looking for an opportunity to do something different — and maybe make a difference at the same time.

"You always read about the kids going to Florida and South Padre, but you wouldn't hear anything about the students who went home to work at the local shelter for the week," said Michael Magevney, co-director of Break Away, a national organizer of alternative spring break programs for more than 350 schools across the country.

"But when the word starting getting out, more people wanted to get involved," Magevney said. "Now it's becoming a legitimate option for a lot of students."

This year alone, students will be building houses, tutoring children, digging irrigation ditches, reuniting families, repairing indoor plumbing and working on a wide variety of other projects.

Kim Kortokrax, a senior majoring in business at Indiana University, is headed to Atlanta this spring break to work at a day-care center for homeless children.

"I've already done the Florida thing during spring break, and I just feel like I'm at a point in my life where everything isn't about partying," Kortokrax said. "I would rather do something for someone else than spend money that I don't have on me."

Kortokrax will travel with several other members of IU's Business Students Involved in Community Service, an organization that coordinates volunteering opportunities for students throughout the year.

"You don't really know who you're traveling with at first because there are so many of us in the major. By the end of the trip, though, you feel like you've made some friends for life," Kortokrax said. "You end up working on something that's really important with these people, and you can tell that means a lot in terms of your relationship."

Students pay less than $100 for the week, so lodging is usually pretty basic.

"We sleep on gym floors or in church basements," she said. "We know before we leave that we won't exactly be in the lap of luxury."

Barbara Holcomb has been organizing alternative spring breaks for students through the Virginia Tech YMCA since 1986. She said that interest in the trips has grown each year.

"We can't even accommodate all the students who wish to go somewhere," Holcomb said. "Students are looking for new ways to spend their vacations and do something productive at the same time. These trips are the perfect outlets."

This year, Holcomb will be sending Virginia Tech students to four locations, including Ivanhoe, Va., where 15 students will help provide indoor plumbing in residential houses; and Washington, where 10 Tech students will work with the Center for Creative Non-Violence in a homeless shelter.

In Tijuana, Mexico, five Tech students will work with children who crossed the United States border and were sent back. The students will work with the Home for Migrant Workers to reunite these children with their families.

Meanwhile, in Sasakwa, Okla., 35 Tech students will build log cabins and shelters for Native American communities.

This March, David Parker will head to Abiquiu, N.M., to help provide services and tutoring for a community of Native Americans.

Parker, a sophomore at Wichita State University, will be one of five WSU students headed to a Navajo reservation for spring break.

"Certain people enjoy certain things. I enjoy working with people, so for me, this is a way to relax. It's a way to get away from everything else," Parker said. "It's satisfying, but it's relaxing, too."

Parker said that he's not sure what his duties will be yet, but figures they'll range from digging irrigation ditches to raking leaves. "We'll do some tutoring on the reservation, too," he said. "There's a lot to do, but they are things that need to be done."

Rev. Richard Lewis, WSU's campus minister, organized the trip. While he admits that participating students gain a sense of service and accomplishment from their work, he said that's only half the story.

"It's a great way to learn about other cultures. There's so much tradition and history that really can't be learned from any textbook," Lewis said. "These students are walking by history, and they may not even know it."

Lori Garrett, coordinator of community services at Hood College in Frederick, Md., agrees.

"Students get to see issues that affect other cultures firsthand, and that makes a lot of difference," said Garret, who organizes community service trips for Hood students during academic breaks.

"Even if students see something in their own town, it's much more real than reading about it in a newspaper. Social situations become much more urgent because all of a sudden they have a human face."

This March, Garrett will accompany 11 Hood students to Baldwin, Mich., where they will participate in a Habitat for Humanity project.

Hood students will be building panels that will used to construct houses during the summer.

Garrett said that alternative spring breaks may be growing in popularity because of the national attention that service programs like AmeriCorps are receiving.

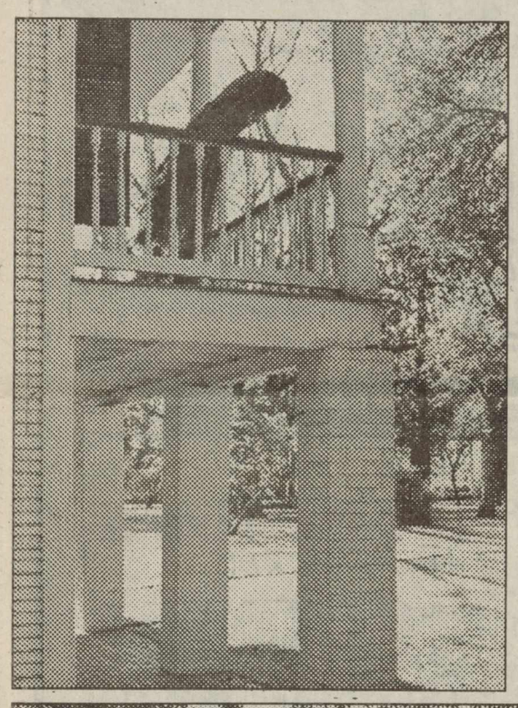
"A lot of students want to do some sort of community service but they just can't squeeze it into their schedule," she said. "Taking the time to do something different during their time off is really remarkable. It's a sacrifice for the students, but it seems like no one really seems to mind."

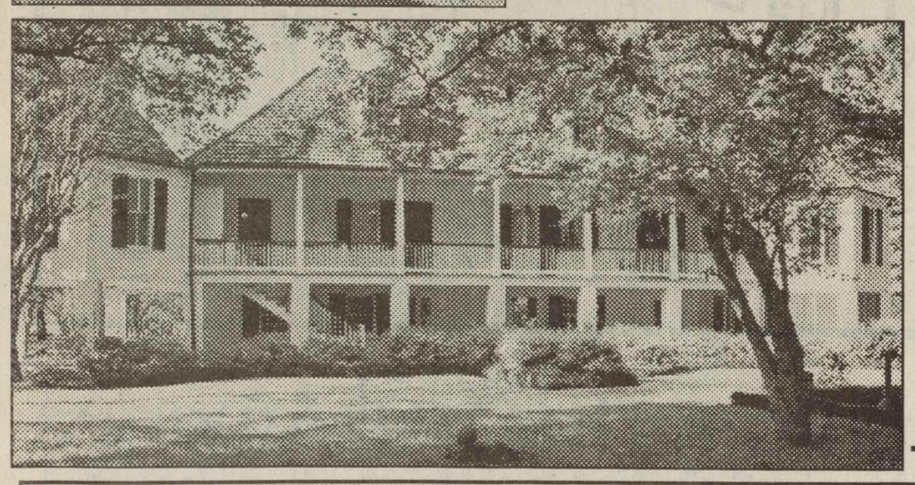
For those students who want to transfer the source of their knowledge from textbook to terrain, Augustana College in Rock Island, Ill., offers an 11-day trip to Texas and New Mexico to study various geological sites.

"We try to get a good look at as much as we can," Prof. Richard Anderson, organizer of the trip, said. "We are talking about places where the continent is pulling apart, so there are a lot of exciting things to see."

Anderson, who has spent his spring break with students every year since 1973, says the trip is available to geology and non-geology majors alike.

"We'll be camping in state parks and seeing things that are incredibly different from anything we see around here, so it's a rewarding trip for almost anyone," he said. "It's not exactly a day at the beach, but we think it's a lot of fun."





**(left) A peacock perches on the back balcony of The Big House. Several of the birds roam the Melrrose grounds. (below) The Big House is just one of the buidings on the Melrose Plantation tour. Visitors can also view Yucca House, African House, Ghana House, the Bindery, the Weaving Cabin and Clementine Hunter's home. Melrose is open for tours from noon to 4 p.m. every day except major holidays. Admission is $5 for adults and $2.50 for children and students under 18. For more information or to arrange for a group tour, call (318) 379-0055 or 379-2431.**

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# *Melrose Plantation*

BRIDGETTE M. MORVANT
*Current Sauce*

The picturesque early spring weather provides the perfect opportunity for students to travel to see some of the lovely plantation homes which seem to blossom around the Cane River area.

One such plantation is Melrose, located in Melrose, La., about 16 miles from Natchitoches. Melrose is comprised not only of The Big House, a Louisiana style plantation house circa 1833, but by Yucca House, the original bousillage and cypress residence circa 1796; The African House, an African style former storage house and slave prison circa 1800; The Weaving Cabin, containing working looms restored in 1973; The Book Bindery, The Writer's Cabin, the Ghana House, which originated on the land in the colonial times; and Clementine Hunter's House.

The plantation has a unique history. Melrose was founded by Marie Therese Coincoin, a slave born in 1742 to the household of Louis Juchereau de St. Denis, founder of Natchitoches. She had 14 children: four black and 10 Franco-African, who along with her were later sold to Claude Thomas Pierre Metoyer, the father of the mulatto children. Metoyer freed Coincoin in 1780 and eventually freed the rest of their children, as well. He deeded her a small land grant and Coincoin and her children eventually gained more land and developed a large and prosperous plantation, as well as a unique settlement of people.

Unfortunately, the family fell upon hard times and sold the plantation in the 1840s to Hypolite and Henry Hertzog. The Hertzogs lost the plantation after the Civil War and it was later bought by John Hampton and Cammie Garratt Henry in 1884.

Melrose again flourished under the Henrys. "Miss Cammie" undertook the restoration of the colonial-era structures. The Henrys added a first-floor kitchen area and the hexagonal tower-like *garconnieres*, or bachelors' quarters, on either side of The Big House for their six sons.

Miss Cammie also opened the plantation to writers and artists whom she allowed to stay free of charge as long as they were productive. Many such professionals took advantage of the offer, including Lyle Saxon, who wrote *Children of Strangers* based on the area, and Francois Mignon, who stayed there for 32 years and wrote *Plantation Memo*. While working as a cook, Hunter took up painting and became the premiere primitive artist in Louisiana.

In addition to patronizing writers and artists Miss Cammie also supported local handicrafts and brought the arts of weaving and book-binding to Melrose.

Admission for the tour is $5 for adults and $2.50 for children and students under age 18. The tour begins with the Yucca House. which was the original family home and later housed many famous artists and writers.

Next, visitors tour The African House which contains a gallery of murals by Clementine Hunter. The pictures depict daily life in the 1950s as remembered by Hunter. The building itself is considered to be extremely unique in architecture.

After a run-down of several outbuildings, tourists are led through The Big House which contains period furnishings (original and donated), books penned by writers who stayed at the plantation and art by Hunter.

The next stop on the tour is the Weaving House which exhibits two looms, a spinning wheel and other accompaniments. Visitors may also visit the Bindery.

Finally, guests to the plantation may view a video further detailing the plantation's history.

In addition to the beautifully restored buildings, visitors are treated to lovely gardens and landscaping and several peacocks who roam freely on the grounds. The plantation is a National Historic Landmark and is owned by the members of the Association for the Preservation of Historic Natchitoches.

## WHAT TO DO IN NATCHITOCHES

### HOLIDAY HISTORY

## Passover, Holy Week, Easter

**Passover** (April 15) is a Jewish holiday that has been celebrated for over 3000years. The festival, opening after the first full moon of the spring and continuing for seven days, is a commemoration of a Biblical event. According to the Bible, on that night the first-born children of Jewish slaves in Egypt were spared by the angel of death because the families sprinkled lamb's blood on their doorposts as instructed by God through Moses. Historically, the holiday was celebrated in Jerusalem, where large crowds gathered to sacrifice lambs and read from scriptures. Later, the family gathered around and ate cermonial food including thin cakes, representing unleavened bread ofancient times.

**Palm Sunday** (April 9) is the first day of Holy Week. This day commemorates Christ's triumphant entry into Jerusalem where, according to the gospels of John and Matthew, the people met him at the gates praising him and carrying palm branches. Worshipers carry blessed palm or tree branches in a procession at religious services.

**Holy Thursday** (April 13) is the commemoration of Christ's last supper. In some countries it is customary to wash the feet of others as Christ did in the Bible before the Passover supper. Many churches conduct special communion services on this day.

**Good Friday** (April 14) is the commemoration of Christ's crucifixion. Many customs and superstitions revolve around this day, which is celebrated with different ceremonies among the various Christian churches. Some people observe the custom of eating hot cross buns on this day while for others it is a day of fasting.

**Easter Sunday** (April 16) the celebration of Christ's resurrection is considered one of the world's greatest religious observations. The day is celebrated with church services, often conducted outdoors at sunrise. Many cities, including New York, sponsor Easter parades. The word Easter is derived from a Teutonic goddess, Eastre, whose festival was celebrated in April by Nordic tribes. The Church blended some aspects of her spring-time festival with the religious celebration of the resurrection.

# Native American Student Assoc. provides unity, representation

MIRANDA COON
*Current Sauce*

"Percentage wise, Northwestern has one of highest numbers of Native American students," Dr. Hiram Gregory, advisor to the Native American Student Association, said.

At the time the Native American Student Association received its charter two years ago, over 90 Native American students attended classes here on campus.

"The Native American Student Association was chartered so that Native American students would have a voice here at Northwestern," Gregory said.

Members from many different tribes such as Choctaw, Sioux, Caddo and Cherokee attend school here.

"There was no representation for Native American students before the Native American Student Association was established," Gregory said. However, the Native American Student Association has a representative on the Minority Committee, sponsored by Harold Boutte.

The Native American Student Association was also established to promote an interest in Native American culture, and to erase stereotypes about that culture.

The association gives Native American students a place to feel at home and provides an opportunity to meet other Native American students, so students do not feel isolated.

The Native American Student Association meets once a month in Williamson Museum (on the second floor of Kyser Hall) to promote an interest in Native American culture through a variety of activities. Guest speakers have been invited to speak at the meetings, and visitors have presented different Native American crafts.

The association also allows Native American students an opportunity to discuss common tribal traits and differences in their cultures, while learning about some other Native American cultures.

The Native American Student Association was established by Native Americans, but is open to anyone who is interested.

"The Native American Student Association is a fairly new organization and is still getting organized and together," Gregory said. "But, we hope to get better."

## *Student soap junkies*

Sure, life's tough as a student. You're stressed, and you have a 10-page paper due tomorrow. You're tapped out, and tuition is due by the end of the week.

But at least you're not Marlena. She's been possessed by Satan. Nor do you live in Pine Valley, where Janet has returned to create havoc after experimental reconstructive surgery in prison gave her a new identity.

For many college students, watching daytime soap operas is habit forming. Tuning into your favorite show, whether it's to watch Marlena on *Days of Our Lives* or Janet on *All My Children*, can become a daily ritual, almost as second nature as brushing your teeth.

"It's a time in life when many students become hooked on soap operas, maybe because a roommate is watching one," Marla Cucor, associate editor with *Soap Opera Update*, said. "We've heard stories of students coming up with ingenious ways to get their daily soaps."

Cucor said students will schedule classes around their favorite shows or have their parents send video tapes from home.

"Considering how busy most students are, it's amazing some go to such lengths to devote an hour of their day around a soap," Cucor said.

# CurrentOpinion



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**Our**View

## TESTING

### Taking the CAAP isn't necessarily fun, but it is important

Are you getting a good education from Northwestern?

There are probably as many answers to that question as there are students here. The true answer, however, can be measured in only two ways: the status of our alumni and standardized testing of the knowledge we've supposedly gained before graduation.

While the success of our alumni speaks for itself, that's small comfort to those currently going through classes and programs that are not adequate for their needs after college.

Northwestern instituted a method for measuring its academic performance a few years ago that has, to now, met with mixed success. This measure, called CAAP (College Assessment of Academic Proficiency), is a standardized test much like the ACT. It is already is use by several universities.

The problem is not with the test. After all, it was created by the ACT people and is used in colleges all over the nation. The problem is with the people who take the test--or rather, those that don't. As evidenced by the inconsistent turnout of people to take the CAAP, students are not taking the CAAP seriously enough.

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What those students don't realize is how much the results of those scores mean to their education. The scores give the administration and department heads an immediate measure of how their academic programs are doing by testing math, reading, science and writing skills. This knowledge allows them to make changes in classes and core requirements that allow you to get a better education and tailor requirements to better fit the standards of each students chosen field.

What's even more important is the timeliness with which this can be done. The scores give immediate results so potential changes can be studied and implemented realistically before the test-takers even graduate.

Students are going to be required to take the test in order to move from "pre-major" to "major" status. This qualification enables them to enroll in upper level classes.

Right now, you have nothing to lose by taking the test. The results are just being collected to create a standard when the "major" rule goes into effect. On the other hand, you do have a few things to gain. The University is now offering special incentives to people who sign up.

If you've received notification to take the test, make sure you go and take it. If you haven't received notification but are about to move into higher-level classes, get more information on the CAAP from the Dean of Instruction's office.

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# City gives a 'sense of community'

## Columnist finds refuge in City of Lights



**Judy**Giles

**So What I'm Saying Is...**

I love Natchitoches. Forgive me for borrowing Mayor Sampite's favorite phrase; but it's true, I really do!

Four years ago, I sought refuge here from life on the fast track in Dallas. Stressed out by corporate food management, three hours of daily manipulation of four lane stop and go traffic, and the depression of being a newly-divorced single parent, I arrived in Natchitoches. Feeling financially and emotionally drained, I finally took the advice of my best friend, Phyllis Siegler, and came here, hoping to find a better way of life.

Front Street on the Cane River impressed me as if I were viewing the statue of liberty for the first time. As many tourists have said, it seemed as though I was stepping back in time. The lovely, historic homes and churches, the river set among 200 year old trees was too Norman Rockwell to be true (and it was not even December).

"The greatest tourist attractions are not found in a brochure at the Chamber fo Commerce. They live and work in Natchitoches!"

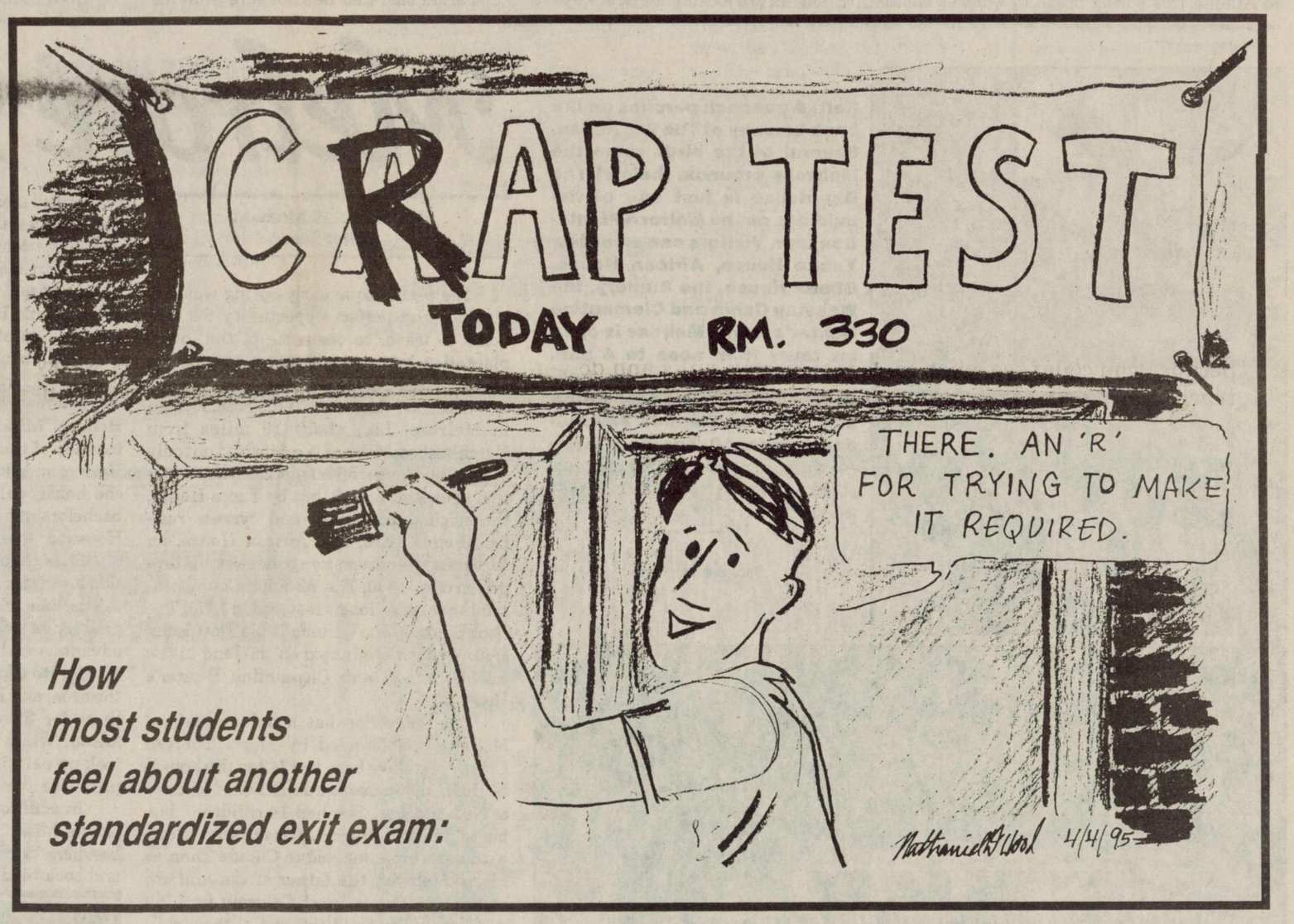
The greatest tourist attractions are not found in a brochure at the Chamber of Commerce. They live and work in Natchitoches! The residents, the storefront operators and the people on the street , made me feel welcome in their town and free to partake in its magic.

If you don't believe that *Steel Magnolias* is a true story, or that some of it's characters are alive and well in Natchitoches, then you have not met some of the people here. They are the authentic BEST in the world. Even the ones who are difficult to like! There are many adopted residents who have relocated their homes and businesses here, like the owners of Cane River Cruises, Carolyn and Chuck. I must mention Tom, who lends his unique accent and humor to the Trolley and Boat ride. In late November, George and his horse-drawn carriages arrive from Natchez, Mississippi , adding great atmosphere to the Christmas season. Conna Clouthier, a long time resident and Inn Keeper definitely adds the spice to Front Street. I keep wanting to call her "Ouiser!" There are so many noteworthy people, it is amazing to find them all in this little town, and to call many of them friends.

Natchitoches has given me a sense of community. It is a great gift to belong to a place that inspires such pride and imagination, to live near my dearest friend, and to be enrolled at Northwestern to finally complete the degree I began 20 years ago. Also, as a Louisiana Tourist Commissioner and active within this community also, it gives me great pleasure to see Natchitoches again through the eyes of each new visitor.

So, what I've been saying is...

In 1961, I may not have known "where the hell I was going" but, in 1995, I'm here to say that "I know where I am now, and I'm staying!"




*How most students feel about another standardized exit exam:*

# Detective fiction portrays the real America



**Gene**Watts

**A View From Above**

Contrary to popular academic and scholarly opinion, the greatest literature (and film) in the twentieth century was not made by the "accepted" literary writers like Saul Bellow, John Updike, or Norman Mailer; the greatest literature in the twentieth century is genre fiction, and the exemplary genre, in my opinion, is crime fiction.

This type of fiction is usually considered unworthy by those who make it their job to declare what is and what isn't worthy. One reason crime fiction is looked down on is that these books are unashamedly commercial.

The leading practitioners of this type of fiction paid their dues by writing for the pulps in the '20s, '30s, and '40s, the "golden age" of detective fiction. Dashiell Hammett and Raymond Chandler weren't backed by the *New York Times Book Review* and other pseudo-intellectual hacks.

They were not Nobel laureates. They were simply the best at what they did. They wrote about the common men and women in over their heads, alienated from society by webs of murder, paranoia, and criminal intrigue;doomed people unable to change their fate.

Subsequently, when these writers and their stories were bought by Hollywood, film noir was born. Because this before color the cinematographer (not the director!) was able to use lights and shadows to mirror the moods of the characters, as well as their moral failings and strengths.

"Subtlety and repression are the keys to great art. For the first time fiction and film were presenting America with realistic depictions of the urban and small-town underworlds."

Because of the stringent production codes at the time, some of the violence and all of the sex was not shown but left to be imagined, to be felt. Many of these movies were made on "B" movie budgets, so the cheap, spartan sets reflected elemental emotions and raw nerves.

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Samuel Johnson said that only a blockhead would write for anything except money. Genre writers don't have grant and prize money that allows total freedom to engage in a literary circle jerk.

When you are working in the confines of a genre you must follow certain rules. The tension created by focus, discipline, and precision plotting, and the writers own creativity and ideas, can result in great literature.

Although the golden age is long past, there are still great writers and films in the noir tradition. Writers like James Ellroy and Andrew Vachs continue the great traditions of the past without being bound by them.

And every once in a while a modern "noir" film crops up. Movies like *Mean Streets, The Godfather, Chinatown, Body Heat, Blue Velvet,* and *Reservoir Dogs.*

While modern cultural institutions revere and support writers of mid-life crisis and upscale suburban adulteries, you have to look to writers like Jim Thompson, James Ellroy, and James M. Cain, and Mickey Spillane to continue in the vein of Shakespeare(!) in detailing the melodrama of real people, real problems, and the workings of random fate.

*Julius Ceasar, MacBeth,* and *Romeo and Juliet* are all worthy predecessors of *The Long Goodbye* and *The Grifters.*

# Campus Forum

Tuesday, April 4, 1995

**News and Views from the Northwestern Community**

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# Death of classmate brings home true meaning of friendship

CHAD WATSON

Freshman Connection '93. Although it's been almost two years since I came to Northwestern's orientation, I can remember it like it was yesterday.

There were a lot of things going through my mind: moving away from home, what dorm life was going to be like, wanting to join a fraternity and most importantly, meeting new friends.

Freshman connection is a great place to become friends with the people you're going to be spending the next 4+ years of your life with. It was during that third session of FC that I met Mike Neelley.

Being an ol' redneck from Haughton (one stoplight, four cows and a neighborhood), I'd never met anyone quite like Neelley. He was from New Orleans, a place we all know is a world of its own. When I greeted him with a "hey, Bubba," he replied with a "What's up Daddio?" That word, 'Daddio' will ring in my head forever.

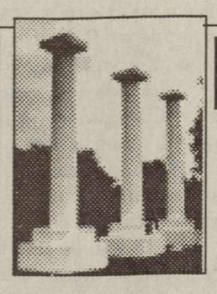
We were two guys from totally different worlds—the city and the country. Thursday night, Mike became a part of a different world—the Lord's. Ten years from now when I look back on my days at Northwestern, the first thing that will come to my mind will be how great it was to go to a college where rednecks, cajuns, yankees, cowboys and city folk could all become friends.

A place where staying up until three o'clock playing practical jokes on your pledge brothers was a common occurrence. A college where someone like Mike Neelley never met a stranger.

When Mike and I pledged Kappa Alpha together, I never dreamed that two guys like us could become so close.

He was the type of guy who could have a good time where ever he went. I'll miss him a lot, but I'm glad that when I think of NSU as a grown man, I'll have good memories of a guy named Mike Neelley.

Goodbye, Daddio.



**Forum** Viewpoint

This section provides readers the opportunity to express their views in a column-type format. Each submission should be between 400-600 words and include the author's signature and phone number. We will take a mandatory photo of the author to be published with materials received. Columns must be written professionally and include no personal controversy. They are due Friday before the Tuesday publication

## Write a letter to the editor




Call the *Current Sauce* on the internet at NSGUI3005 and let us know what you think

**Current** Quotes

# What is your opinion of CAAP testing?



"I think it is a good idea because you could see what teachers are doing their job and how well you are learning."

*--Rebecca Born, Fr. Early Childhood Development*



"These types of tests simply test testing skills and do not measure how well a student is. It does not help the students in any way."

*--Amy Thomas, Sr. History*



"It's a good idea because lots of teachers aren't doing their jobs and this way you can see who is doing their job and who isn't."

*--Angela Robinson, So. Education*



"We have too many tests to worry about--finals, ACT SAT--we don't need any more."

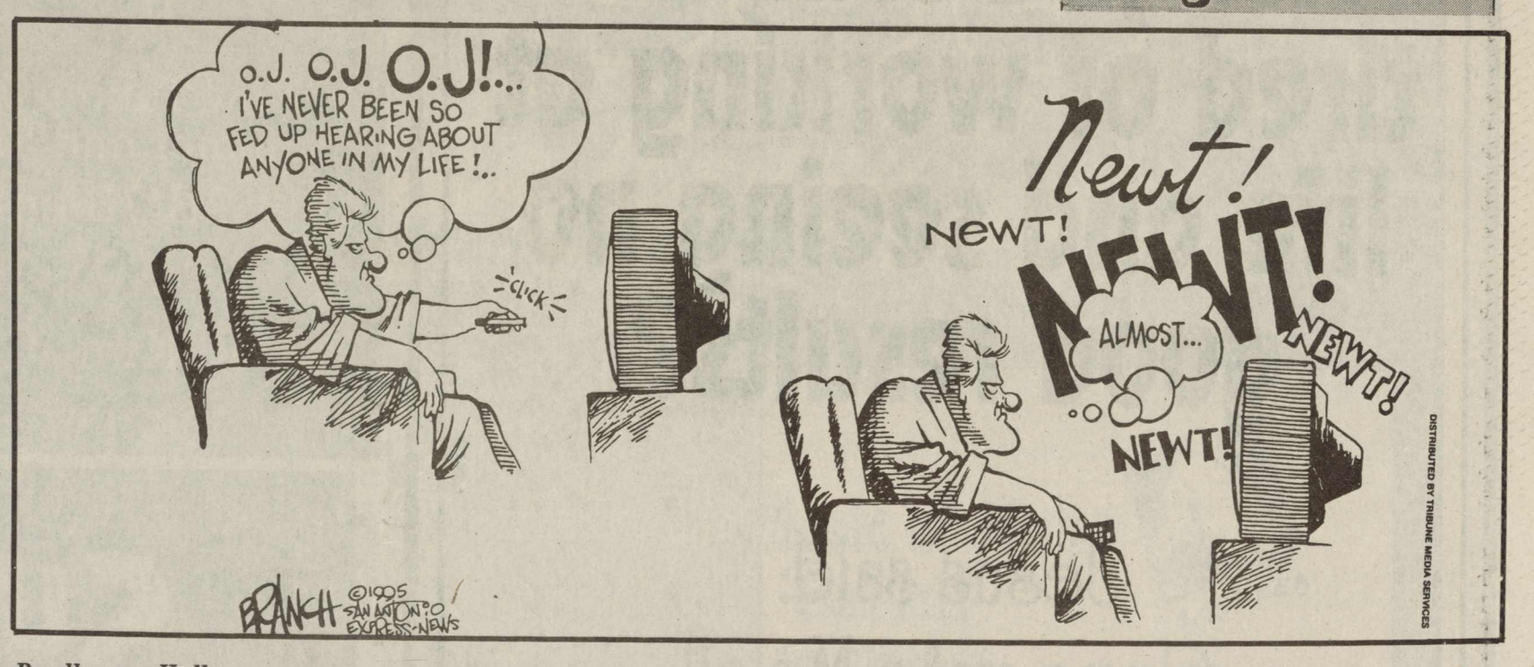
*--Kevin White, So., Business Management.*

SGA MINUTES
MARCH 20,1995

Roll called: the following senators were absent— Stephanie Gardner, Ross Kelly, Kasey Nunley, Chris Conway, Renee Fontenot.
Minutes from last meeting were approved.
**REPORTS**
**Vice-President:** Keep office hours till finals. Shreveport will vote in the primary election. Elections are April 19-20,and run-offs are April 26-27. Filings for executive and Senator-at-Large positions are due March 31st, at noon. Class senator elections are in Fall Semester. Will try to have pictures in Current Sauce on April 4th. Read the letter for filing. Need budget for election. Sign up for voting table.
**President:** Will appoint Naomi Levy as Sophomore Senator. Eye of Cameron article. Jamie did a good job on promoting SGA. If you are not running in the election, work polls. Also need interested people to help with polls.
**External Affairs:** Student Services is meeting on Wed. March 22nd at 4:30 to discuss financial aid office and how students can help with money.
**Club Sports:** Amateur Radio Association is still researching. Will hear from them in a couple of weeks.
**Free Speech Forum:** Any one running meet at 7:45, Mon. March 27 to decide on a forum/meeting with students about campaigns. Buddy Roemer will be here Thursday, march 23, at 10:00 in the Ballroom. Plans to sponsor a town meeting April 26 with Cleo Fields at 1:00.
Traffic, Safety, and Security : Looking to expand the new sidewalk to the tennis courts.
**Election Board:** Stated in Vice-President Report.

Academic Affairs, Internal Affairs, Fiscal Affairs, Environmental Awareness, Campus Improvements have no report.

**Old Business:** Res. 95-07 is still tabled.
**New Business:** Senator Meche moved to accept Resolution 95-11(emergency lights in dorm). Passed unanimously.
Senator Veuleman moved to accept Mary Ann McDaniel, Ramona Reed, Mona Ross, Clarence Frank, as SGA board members, and Senator DeVibliss, Senator Burkett, Senator Foote, Senator Lewis, and Senator Cheramie as SGA election board members. It passed unanimously.
Senator Schneyer moved to accept Naomi Levy as the appointed Sophomore Senator. It passed unanimously.
**Special Reports:** Census will be here to conduct its survey. New entrance system system to buildings is coming— Card access
**Announcements:** Academic Affairs will meet March 27th at 7:00. External Affairs will meet March 23rd at 5:30.
Senator Veuleman's quote of the week: "The wheel of life is constantly turning; yet, some of us stand idle."
Adjourned at 8:34.




**In the April 18 edition of Current Sauce**

Get the scoop on the candidates in the SGA election April 19 and 20. We'll examine the issues, who's running and what they stand for.

***Prudhomme Hall***

Prudhomme Hall has a position open for night security personnel. Hours are 12 a.m. to 8 a.m. Friday and Saturday and 11 p.m. to 8 a.m. Sunday. Call 357-3181 for more details.

***Current Sauce***

We have a staff meeting at 5 p.m. Wednesday. All writing, editing, photography and business staff are required to attend.

Anyone interested in becoming a part of the *Current Sauce* team is encouraged to attend.

***Rowing Team***

The Northwestern State Rowing Team is sponsoring a program called Rent-a-Rower. Rent-a-Rower is a program in which individuals may "rent" a rower for $5.00 per hour per rower to perform odd jobs that would not be completed otherwise. These jobs may include yard work, car washings, etc....

The Rent-a-Rower program provides the perfect opportunity to get those dreaded tasks done and contribute to the growth of rowing in Natchitoches. Each year the sport of rowing adds tens of thousands of dollars to the city's economy at no cost to the city. By supporting the Team's rent-a-rower endeavor, odd jobs are accomplished and a chance to learn about rowing is provided through meeting the athletes and knowing whom the money benefits. While the Team can not do everything, we'll give most jobs a try. Please feel free to call and see if your job will be possible to accomplish.

For more information, please contact the Team Office at 357-5921.



**Campus** Connection

Campus Connection submissions must be brought to Rm. 225 by noon on the Monday before Tuesday publication. All submissions should be less than 100 words and should pertain solely to meetings, announcements and upcoming activities. Birthday greetings, congratulations and/or product advertisements should be submitted as paid classified ads. Connections must be resubmitted each week they are to be run.

***Tri-Sigma***

Tuesday-dress up, wear your badges; Wednesday-wear your letters; Sunday- there will be no meeting because of spring break. Remember—Greek Week is approaching fast, there are a lot of things to be done, the Chariot Committee will be busy all week with the construction of the chariot—if you have any questions about Greek Week, call Brandy McConathy. Have a safe spring break!

***Kappa-Alpha***

All KA remember to sell your TV raffle tickets. Also, don't forget our Phi Mu Exchange this Thursday night.

Old South is right around the corner so be sure you are paid up, or else!

***Faculty Recall***

Watson Library's Circulation Division is having its annual recall on all Faculty and Staff Books. This recall will run from April 1-30. Please bring your books in and renew.

***Blue Key***

Blue Key will meet this Thurs. at 6 p.m. in Rm 321 of the Student Union. All members are encouraged to attend this meeting. Members are reminded to wear your tee-shirts on Thursday. New members need to pay the one-time membership fee of $35, if you have not done so. New officers will be elected at this meeting, so if you are interested, please be there. Our annual banquet with the Purple Jackets is at the end of the month, so please bring a guest list with you.

***Graduate Day***

NSU's Graduate Recruiting Day will be held Thurs, April 20, 1995, from 11 am to 3 pm, in the Alumni Rm of the Family & Consumer sciences Bldg. Departmental tours and graduate assistantship will be conducted. Reservation forms are available in the Graduate Office, Rm 209 Roy Hall. For more info., contact the Graduate office at 357-5851.

***Tourism and Business***

The Tourism and Business Enterprise, A travel study course is on July 25 to Aug. 1. Receive 3 hours credit (Business Administration 4160). The cost is $1,430 plus tuition and food expense. A $100 reservation deposit is due by April 18 and the balance is due June 9. For more info, please call Dr. Stephen Elliott or call 357-5700.

***Watson Library***

The photocopy machines in Watson Library are now card-operated. Copy cards of $1 and $5 values are available for sale in the Cashier's Office, St. Denis Hall, and in the Library Office, 309.

# CAAP: Rewards given to test participants

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exam is above the national average and a Personal Purple Passport.

The Passport, designed specifically for the program, allows students to register for classes a day early and pass through fee payment at their own convenience during the Fall 1995 semester.

The Passport and a number in the gift lottery will be given each student at the end of the test session.

At the completion of the testing dates, a draw will be held for the prizes. The $20 cash bonus for the group scoring about the national average will be given at the return of the test scores which will probably be at the end of the semester. If the scores are not back by finals, the bonus will be paid in the summer or during the fall semester.

The test will not only evaluate a student's performance after their core classes but also will provide data for baseline studies in the future.

Dr. Randall Webb, dean of instruction, pointed out to students in the letter notifying them of the tests that this also meets a requirement of the Louisiana Board of Regents and the regional accrediting associations.

"This emphasis at Northwestern on continual improvement of all facets of the educational program will add value to the baccalaureate degree we hope you receive in a few years," he said.

Students with questions should contact Dr. Webb at 357-5851 or Mrs. Gillis at 357-5246.

# RADIO: KNWD finds new home in Kyser

*Continued from the front page*

first choice, it did turn out to be the best one. "Our first choice was Rm. 137," he said. "It had more square footage, but the Historic Center needed that area. You don't need a lot of room to run a radio station. It just so happened that we had more than enough room in 109."

McBride designed the facilities, which he says will meet all the station's needs. "The control room and the production studios are large enough for more than one person. There will be a separate work room. It will be accessible to handicapped students, which covers [Americans with Disabilities Act] regulations. There will also be more than adequate space for album storage and a reception area just inside the door."

The radio station has been plagued with problems ranging from wiring gone bad to severe weather which has resulted in the station going off the air for short periods of time. Burkett said the new layout of production and studio facilities and new state-of-the-art equipment should keep that from happening too often in the future.

"The wiring is all up to current standards," he said. "Since they're putting the studio and the production room side by side, if the studio goes down for repair, we'll have it wired so all we have to do is use the production room instead. We'll have no excuse for going off the air."

Burkett also said the custom hard-wiring will also keep problems due to tampering down to a minimum.

Not only the quality of the office space is improving. According to Burkett, the new equipment will improve the station in ways the listeners will be able to hear.

"We'll have a better, cleaner sound," he said. "When we get the computers in, we're going to start doing digital editing."

Burkett plans to run for general station manager again this spring.

He hopes to bring his experience from this year to make improvements in the quality of programming also. My job is not done here yet," he said. "One of the things I plan to do is set new standards of professionalism for people applying to be on staff."

# PROJECT: Next phases to begin in fall

*Continued from the front page*

the same time, surfaced.

Lindsay said that this project helps make the academic core "more accommodating to the students."

Boutte and Norman agreed that students will be able to change classes and will not have to worry about vehicular traffic.

As for the loss of the parking spots that use to be located in front of Kyser, Lindsey and Norman believed that the losses were understandable in order to relieve the "conflict between students and vehicles."

According to Boutte, the idea for the pavestone bricking between Williamson and Kyser originated because there were big potholes in the road running between these two buildings.

"They had to put some kind of surface anyway," Boutee said. "So the comment was if you're going to do it. Just pouring asphalt, in days and weeks you're going to have to pour it again, due to the rain and weather."

Another reason why the beautification committee decided to give up the Kyser parking lot is because the beautification plans will help out commuter students.

"A lot of students are commuters and do not have the luxury of going back to a dormitory between classes," Boutte said. "This gives students other options than sitting in the Student Union.

"You're going to have to spend money anyway [to repair potholes], so why not spend it for a one-time purpose and we won't have to come back and do it again," he said.

Boutte believes that the campus beautification project is important because of the fact that beautifying the campus and higher education "go hand in hand."

"They both are part of the education process," he said.

But many questions still remain a mystery to the students, such as, "Why not build more parking lots?" Boutte said that there is no reason to build more parking lots since parking lots, such as the one around the coliseum, are empty.

"We feel like we have enough parking without the need for more," Boutte said.

"We [Northwestern] do not want to fill the campus with concrete," Boutte said.

Although officials have begun planning of phases two and three, the total cost for these two phases is unknown at this time.


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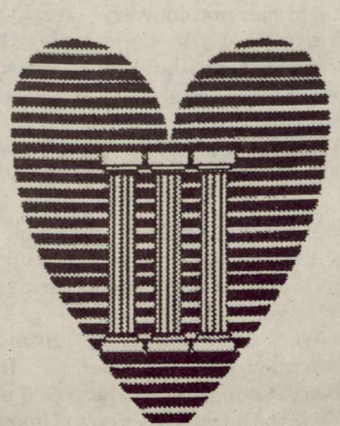
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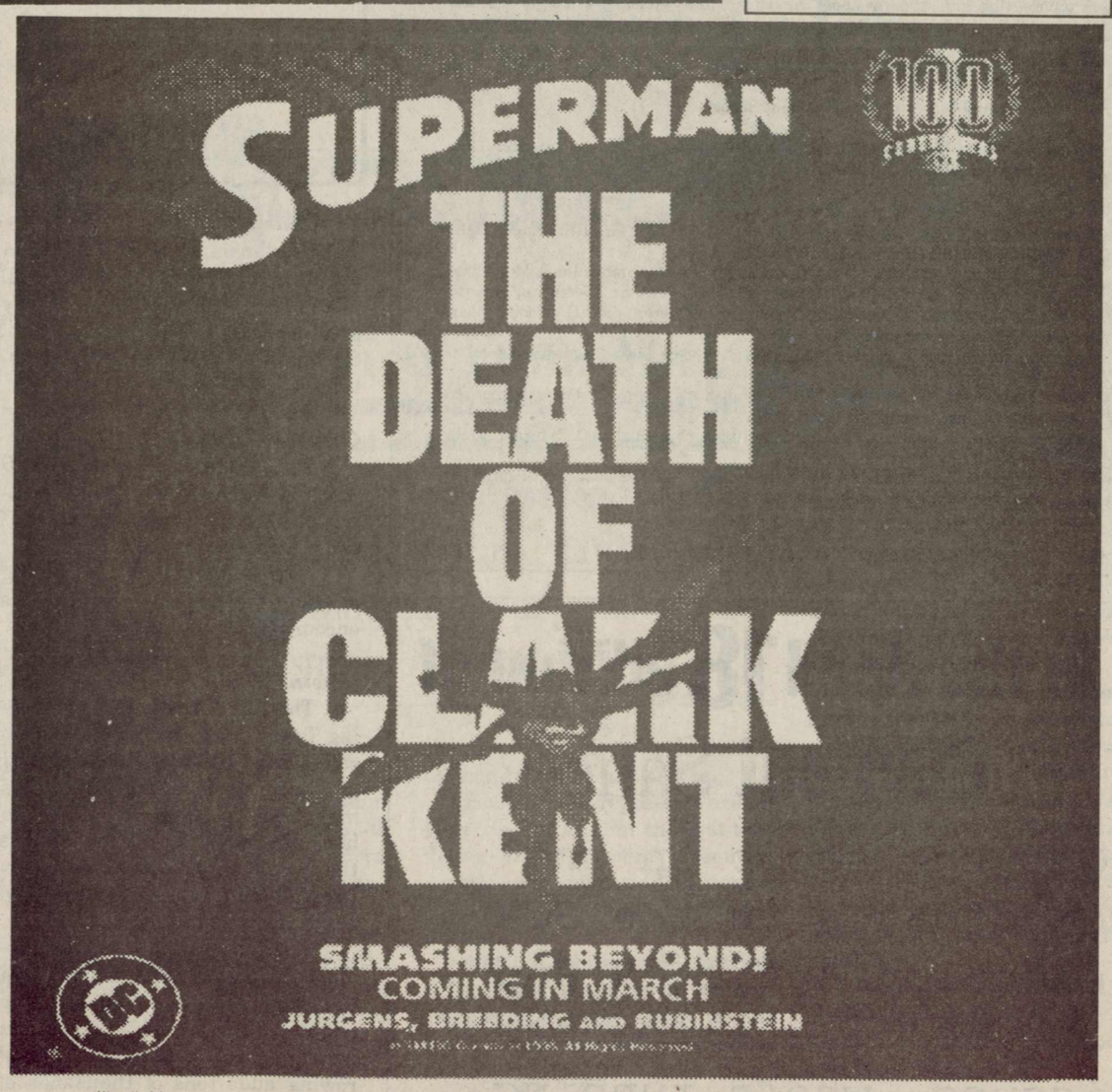
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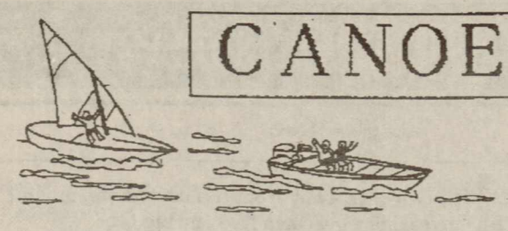
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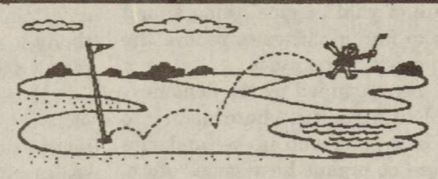


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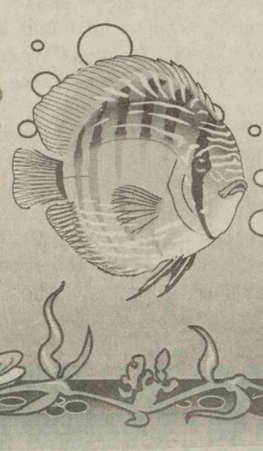
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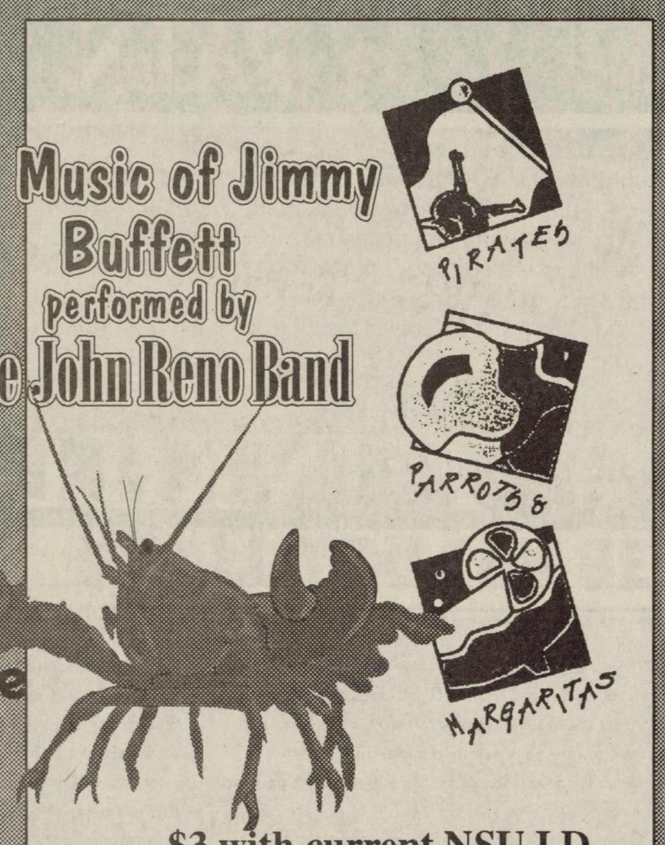
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# Latest in Xanth series sure to please readers

Derek Rabuck
*Current Sauce*

World renowned fantasy novelist Piers Anthony has returned with the latest volume in his immensely popular fantasy series, Xanth.

*Geis Of The Gargoyle* is a magical, playful, pun-packed adventure filled with Xanth at its best. This novel is a spellbinding tale, told by a master storyteller.

*Geis Of The Gargoyle* is the adventure of Gary Gargoyle, a guileless gargoyle who is transformed into a human being. He is pursuing a quest to find a philtre, or magic potion, to protect the purity of the Swan Knee River. Since the beginning of Xanth, the gargoyles have been under an obligation to protect the river's pure state.

Gary goes to see the Good Magician Humphrey, who sends him on a peculiar quest during which he has to tutor a child with more than her share of wild magical talents, and has to find a philtre to relieve the gargoyle's of their geis.

Accompanied by the demoness D. Mentia; Hiatus, whose talent is to places organs such as eyes and ears where no organs have gone before; and Queen Iris who is a master of illusion, Gary embarks on his quest which leads him across the face of Xanth and back into Xanth's dimmest history where the Magic of Xanth was set in place for the first time.

Full of enchanting scenery, interesting creatures and, of course, magic, Xanth is the magical land that has helped transform Anthony into a No. 1 bestselling author and one of the most popular fantasy writers of all time.

Since the first Xanth novel, *A Spell For Chameleon*, Anthony has entertained millions of people with his unique style of mixing fantasy with puns that spoof normal, everyday items. One could say that Anthony is the Stephen King of fantasy writing.

Novels such as *Nightmare*, *Demons Don't Dream* and *Heaven Cent* have helped to develop the Xanth series into a fascinating fairy tale whose characters and places are entertaining and addictive.

## REVIEW

I have personally read every novel in the Xanth series and *Geis Of The Gargoyle* is one of the best since Anthony uses it to tie up loose ends which appear in earlier Xanth novels.

It takes lots of creative talent to tie up the inconsistencies that are bound to appear in a series entailing so much detail as the Xanth series. And, to be able to weave a very imaginative plot in at the same time shows why Anthony is regarded as a creative genius.

If you enjoy a writer who is very creative and imaginative and who can tell one hell of a of a tale, check out Anthony. *Geis Of The Gargoyle* is as good a place as any to start reading Anthony's novels.

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## ComputerCorner

*College Press Service*

HANOVER, N.H. — It's two days away from the next exam, and all those slides from fine arts class may seem like one big blur.

At Dartmouth University, students of art have little reason to panic. Instead, they can just turn on their computers.

The Artemisia Imaging Project has made 3,000 images of paintings studied in the college's art history classes available to students online.

In the past, students had only two opportunities to view the slides of the paintings they were studying — once in class and once just before the exam. Now, after the class showing, the slides are scanned onto a computer where a photo manipulation program is used to adjust color, brightness and size.

The images are grouped by the classes in the order they were viewed, identified by artist, title, date, style and museum location. Students can access the images stored in the server from any campus Macintosh at any time of day.

As a follow-up to the Artemisia project, Joy Kenseth, Art History Department chair, has proposed a second project — an online glossary of historical art terminology which will include paintings, illustrations, architectural drawings and diagrams.

"Artemisia is basically a study guide for art history students," Kenseth said. "But the glossary can be a resource for students at every level in art history, for faculty and even people from other disciplines."

# University students volunteer accounting skills at tax time

Marco Buscaglia
*College Press Service*

While most college students take the EZ way out when filing their income taxes, others are viewing tax season as a way to hone the skills they'll be using for years to come.

For the second year in a row, 22-year-old Paul Gregory has been spending his springtime Saturdays filling out income tax forms for local residents. Part of Baldwin-Wallace College's corps of accounting majors who serve as tax volunteers, Gregory said that he appreciates the chance to get some experience in the field.

"This lets you see the real world of taxes instead of from a book perspective," Gregory, who's studying to be a CPA, said. "You usually just read about this stuff. It's a whole new ballgame when you actually do it."

Professor Joe Kaderabeck runs Baldwin-Wallace's free tax clinic, which has been in place for nearly 30 years.

"It's so much different than the classroom," Kaderabeck said. "Not only are the students applying what they've learned, but they have to help educate these people who come in because they have such a limited understanding of what their taxes and tax forms are about."

Kaderabeck said that the school starts advertising the clinic, which is held on Berea, Ohio, campus, a few weeks before the event. Residents come from throughout Ohio, looking for answers and, hopefully, a refund.

"This guy came to us thinking he owed $3,000, and one of my students discovered that he actually had money coming to him."

Often, people come to the clinic with nothing more than their W-2s and income tax forms.

"Then they tell us about some stocks they sold or about their IRA," Kaderabeck said. "We have to tell them to come back with the appropriate paperwork. Some of them just don't realize everything that goes into their own personal financial situation."

Each year, from early February to mid-April, accounting majors at St. Joseph's University in Philadelphia volunteer to help local senior citizens fill out their returns at locations throughout the city.

Professor Richard Sherman, head of the accounting department, said that the service can be extremely valuable to many Philadelphians.

> "I have a blast helping out these people. It really helps you see how much people are affected by your work."
>
> **JoEll Guglielmaelli, St. Joseph's University**

"These aren't people who have big taxes, but the assistance they receive is really helpful," Sherman said. "Just about all of the senior citizens we serve qualify for tax forgiveness from the state of Pennsylvania, but I don't know if many of them would pick up on that on their own."

JoEll Guglielmelli, a senior at St. Joe's, said that the opportunity to work with others guided her decision to sign up for the tax program for the second straight year.

"You're dealing with real people, so it's totally different from the problems you work on in class," Guglielmelli said. "You're sitting there jumbling these numbers, and there's this person across the desk who wants to tell you their entire life story. They're so happy to see someone take an interest in their lives."

Students say most returns take anywhere from 30 to 90 minutes. More complex returns, though, might take up to five hours, or even all day.

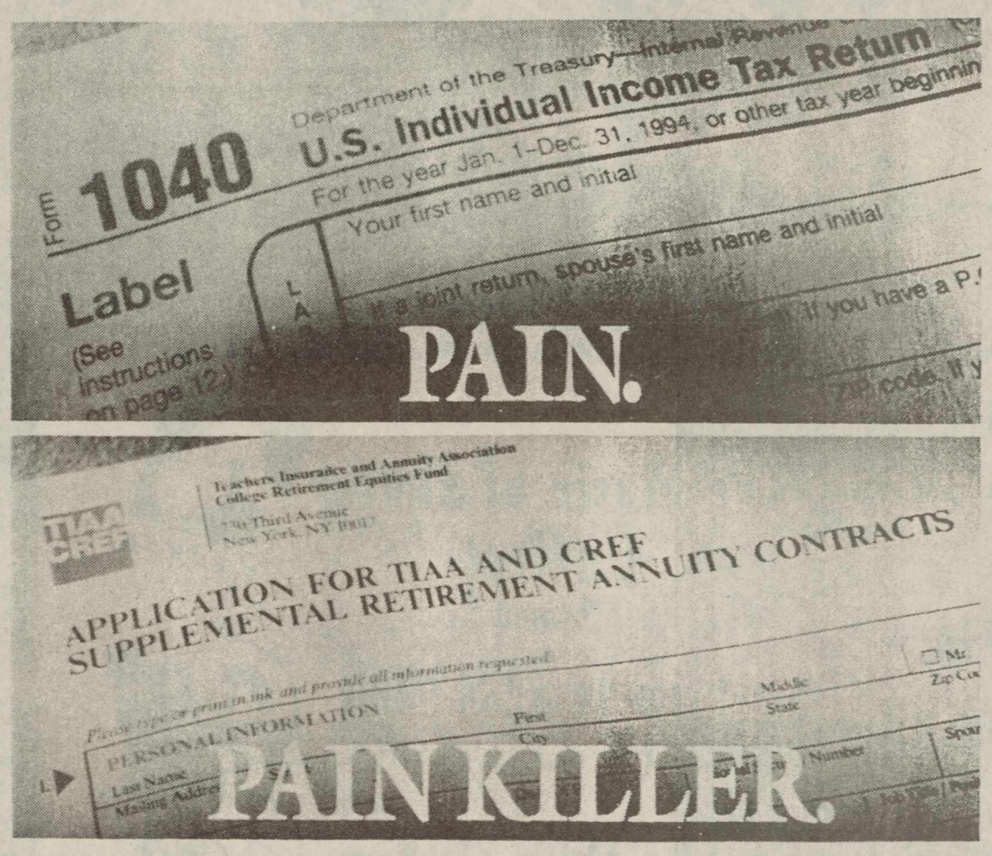
"Sometimes people have all this paperwork, and it takes a while to get through it all," said Baldwin-Wallace's Gregory. "When you finally finish, you feel like you just ran a marathon."

Still, students involved with the program say it's extremely rewarding.

"I have a blast helping out these people," Guglielmelli said. "It really helps you see how much people are affected by your work."

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# Demons get back on track against Oral Roberts

FROM STAFF AND WIRE REPORTS

TULSA, Ok.—Sophomore pitcher Jon Black pitched his third complete game of the season Sunday, scattering six hits over nine innings and allowing three earned runs in the Demons' 7-4 non-conference win over Oral Roberts University.

The win capped a three-game weekend sweep for the Demons over the Golden Eagles, as Northwestern improved to 19-8 overall with a 6-3 mark in the Southland Conference.

The Demons snapped a two-game losing streak Saturday with 5-4 and 7-6 victories over Oral Roberts (12-19), getting strong performances on the mound from Zach Martin (5-3) and Brian Dulin (5-1).

In the first game Saturday, Demons third baseman Matt Donner cracked a single in the top of the seventh inning to drive in shortstop Brad Duncan with the winning run for Northwestern.

Terry Joseph also hit his fifth home run of the year for the Demons, a solo shot to left field in the top of the third inning.

Martin went the distance in the opener, scattering six hits in seven innings while giving up only two earned runs. The junior from Roxton, Texas, struck out five in earning his second straight win for Northwestern.

The Golden Eagles' Harold Frazier gave up the game winning run by Duncan and took the loss in a little over two innings of work.

In Saturday's nightcap, Dulin started and got the win for the Demons, who took a 7-4 lead into the bottom of the ninth and nearly let it get away. Oral Roberts scraped out two runs in the inning before Northwestern's Bob Sanchez came on to put out the fire and pick up his first save of the year.

Nick Simokatis was the offensive star for Northwestern in game two, going 2-for-3 with a triple and three runs batted in. Five other Demon batters had had least one hit, handing Golden Eagle starter Casey Kirkman his fourth loss in five decisions this season.

The Demons jumped on Oral Roberts starter Lance Calmus Sunday, scoring three runs in the top of the first inning on a pair of RBI singles from first baseman Mark Burke and catcher Karl Goins. Burke went 3-for-4 with three runs batted in to lead the Demons at the plate.

The Golden Eagles answered with two runs in the bottom of the first and then tied the game in the fourth when Matt Harrington scored on a sacrifice fly by Richie Rivera.

Rob Landstad scored the winning run for Northwestern in the fifth inning on a wild throw by third baseman Harrington as he tried to throw out Demon batter Chad Tannehill.

The Demons added three insurance runs and Oral Roberts could only come up with one more the rest of the way as Black held the Golden Eagles in check.

Black picked up his fifth win of the year in six decisions, while Calmus (3-3) took the loss for Oral Roberts.

Northwestern will try to build on their three-game win streak today when they host Southeastern Louisiana in a 1 p.m. doubleheader at Brown-Stroud Field.

# TYSON: Boxing too quick to forgive former champ

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Tyson fought with a fury and intensity that has never been matched in history.

But one element is being overlooked here. Tyson, while being maybe the best heavyweight fighter in history, is a *convicted rapist*. He has done time for maiming the mind of a young woman simply because he looked at himself as Mike Tyson, heavyweight champ. No matter what supposed "changes" Iron Mike has gone through the past 36 months behind bars, he is a convicted felon who should be treated with the same treatment afforded other criminals.

There is a serious problem in America when a convicted sex offender is released to the million-dollar world of professional boxing after a mere slap on the wrist, and the victim is relegated to a lifetime of scorn and ridicule for sending the champion of the world to prison. Desiree Washington has been denied admittance to college because of her "crime" and its resulting publicity, and no doubt she cannot count on going to many places without enduring stares and glares.

There is a serious problem when the criminal, Mike Tyson, suddenly becomes a victim, and the victim, Desiree Washington, becomes a criminal. And for what? A shiny gold belt that carries with it millions in cash. An entourage of underhanded ruffians. Mega-mansions and mega-endorsements.

There is a serious problem when a fighter claims to have changed simply by changing his religion and appearing to be more religious. Granted, the jury is still out on Tyson's Muslim dedication, no pun intended. But judging from his actions since leaving prison, the verdict is leaning toward acquittal.

To ultimately clear his name with the moral public, of which the numbers in this country are dwindling rapidly, Tyson must cut his ties with the seedy King and move on. King was as much a part of Tyson's troubles in the past and has used the young man to build an empire in the world of boxing. A religious man of any substance should have nothing to do with Don King.

Yes, the "champ" is back. Mike Tyson will undoubtedly be wearing a unified championship belt very shortly, but at what price?

Apparently, the price is his victim's rights. And that, above all else, constitutes a serious problem in America.

# ALL-LOUISIANA: Brown makes third team

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UNO's Garris was the leading scorer (17.1 points per game) for the 20-11 Privateers while winning first-team All-Sun Belt Conference accolades. The 6-0 guard had 31 points against Purdue and 30 against Tulane this season.

King, a 6-9 New Orleans product, averaged 21.7 points and 7.7 rebounds while hitting 56 percent of his shots for Nicholls State. He was a four-time SLC "Player of the Week" and was a first-team All-SLC selection. Southern's Roberts ranked third in the nation with a 26.2 scoring average, including a school record and national season-best 56 points against Faith Baptist.

NLU's Carr, a graceful 6-4 senior, averaged 17 points and 5.9 rebounds while winning first-team All-SLC honors for the second straight season.

Topping the third team was LSU's Ceasar, who led the SEC with a conference record 3.0 steals per game. He scored 12.6 points per game and got 7 rebounds per game while setting the SEC record for career steals (307) and becoming LSU's career leader in three-point baskets (175).

Annison, a 6-5 Baton Rouge native, averaged 15.8 points and 6.1 rebounds in his only season at Louisiana Tech. He was a unanimous All-Sun Belt Conference selection.

Tulane's Simmons twice was named the LSWA's state "Player of the Week" and averaged 14.1 points, 4.1 assists and 3.5 rebounds. The 6-4 Shreveport native shot 39.5 percent from three-point range.

Southern's Williams, a transfer from American University, scored 20.1 points and averaged 9.7 rebounds while shooting 58 percent from the field for the Jaguars.

Broussard's rebuilding program at Nicholls State culminated with this season's NCAA Tournament trip to the Midwest Regional in Dayton, Ohio. Under his leadership the Colonels won the SLC title by six games and breezed to the SLC tournament crown as well.

# Injuries throttle tennis team against Nicholls State

Northwestern's women's tennis team, playing without injured Natalie Opoku and Nathalie Roziers, were no match for the overpowering play of the Nicholls State Lady Colonels and fell 9-0 Saturday in Thibodaux.

The Lady Demons dropped to 2-9 on the year and 2-4 in the Southland Conference.

In No. 1 singles action, Northwestern freshman Sandra Emde was beaten 6-1, 6-1 by two-time Southland Conference Player of the Week Ying Wu. No. 3 Julie Lessiter pushed Nicholls' Irina Stoilova to a tiebreaker in the first set, but eventually lost 7-6 (3), 6-2.


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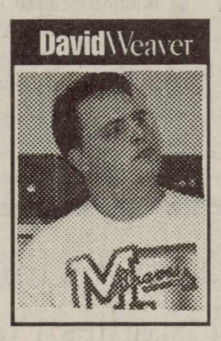
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# American Justice:

## Tyson returns to glory; victim's suffering continues

Spring has always been known as a time of rejuvenation, of new beginnings. The flowers are beginning to bloom, the insects are buzzing around our heads, and the temperature is on the rise.

The world of sports has been hit with spring fever as well. In the past month we have witnessed the rebirth of Michael Jordan, who has returned to his old legendary self with the Chicago Bulls. We have watched NASCAR driver Ernie Ervin return to the track less then a year after knocking on death's door in a fiery crash. Rumor has it that former tennis No. 1 Monica Seles is polishing her game for a return to the court later this year following two years of living hell after being attacked by a crazed German fan of rival Steffi Graf. And to top it all off, major league baseball has decided to grace us with their presence and do the fans a favor by returning to the field later this month.




But perhaps the most intriguing comeback is that of former heavyweight champion Mike Tyson. Tyson has returned from exile in an Indiana prison and has announced his intention of returning to the ring later this year (was there ever any doubt?) His comeback is hailed as the biggest piece of the puzzle in trying to restore some semblance of order to a sport which, frankly, has never had much order to begin with.

The scene was almost comical the morning of March 25. Tyson, with a dainty little white skullcap covering his head, was ushered out of the Indiana Youth Center by an entourage headed by promoter Don King. King had been salivating for this moment for three years, since the iron doors clanged shut on Tyson following his rape conviction in 1992. The entire boxing world had been salivating for this moment, as a matter-of-fact.

Tyson's importance to the world of boxing can be stated in one word—money. The sport was slowly dying even before Tyson got into trouble with Miss Black America contestant Desiree Washington in an Indianapolis hotel room. The death knell had actually sounded in February of 1990, when Tyson hit the canvas in a Tokyo fight with James "Buster" Douglas and lost the heavyweight crown. Beginning with Douglas, who landed the luckiest punch in the history of the world, the heavyweight division has experienced a downfall in championship-quality competition and a bona-fide money draw.

Evander Holyfield took the title from Douglas easily and appeared to have taken the mantle from Tyson as the sport's most popular fighter. But Holyfield was more of a physical specimen than a fighter, and lost the belt to perhaps the best heavyweight since Tyson in Riddick Bowe. Since going back around the waist of Holyfield in the Bowe-Holyfield rematch, the heavyweight title has bounced around from Michael Moorer to 46-year-old teddy bear George Foreman.

The sight of Mike Tyson walking out the doors of prison last week was seen as a blessing for the sport, indeed. The 28-year old Tyson has supposedly become a new man, thanks to the wooing of legendary champ Muhammad Ali, by converting to Islam in prison. He supposedly has grown up and matured into the kind of person worthy of wearing a championship belt. And his aura in the ring has never been debated—

*See* TYSON/*Page 9*

# Lady Demons invited to national tournament

The Lady Demons are among 16 of the nation's top women's basketball teams invited to the 1995 Preseason Women's National Invitation Tournament, which announced its field Thursday at the NCAA Final Four.

Northwestern, which will return three All-Southland Conference players from this year's 25-7 team, will play at Arkansas in the first round on Nov. 15. The winner of that game will meet the winner of the Drake-Memphis quarterfinal on Nov. 17 with the semifinal and championship rounds on Nov. 19-21 at campus sites to be determined.

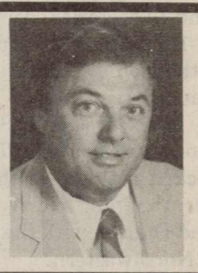
The semifinal games and championship contest will be nationally televised to a potential audience of 40 million homes by Prime Sports cable network.

Arkansas, 23-7, was ranked 14th nationally and will return four starters, led by sophomore Christy Smith, an honorable mention Associated Press All-American this year. Smith led the nation with 89.9 percent free throw accuracy while averaging 13.6 points, 4.4 assists, and 3.0 steals.

The Lady Demons will feature senior forward Joskeen Garner, the Southland Conference Player of the Year; senior guard Angela Simpson and senior point guard Stephanie Shaw. The trio helped the Lady Demons win the the SLC regular season championship and reach the finals of the National Women's Invitational Tournament March 24 in Amarillo, Texas.

Texas A&M, which edged Northwestern 85-81 in the NWIT championship game, is among the field in the Preseason WNIT. Also included are Colorado, Duke, Ohio State, Oregon, Utah, Pittsburgh, New Mexico State, Lamar, Maine, Massachusetts and Virginia Commonwealth.

**"There are some great teams in the field and this will be a chance for us to gain some respect on the national level"** James Smith, Lady Demon Head Coach



"We're excited about being invited to play in the Preseason NWIT," Northwestern Head Coach James Smith said. "There are some great teams in the field and this will be a chance for us to gain some respect on the national level."

Washington won the inaugural Preseason WNIT last year, defeating Texas Tech 79-75. Among the other top programs which played in the 1994 tournament were Vanderbilt, Maryland, Oklahoma, Seton Hall and Southwest Missouri State.

The opener for the Lady Demons matches two longtime coaching rivals, Northwestern's Smith and Arkansas' Gary Blair. Blair moved to Arkansas two seasons ago after rebuilding Stephen F. Austin's program.

# On the offensive

## Demons look to improve offense after spring scrimmage

Fumble returns of 46 yards by Terry Johnson and 66 yards by Grant Crowder highlighted a swarming defensive effort Saturday that dominated the Demons' first extensive scrimmage of spring football practice.

Johnson's return was the first touchdown in the 90-minute, 72-snap controlled scrimmage at Turpin Stadium. The only other score came on a one-yard sneak by sophomore quarterback Brandon Emanuel, capping a seven-play, 70-yard drive keyed by a 41-yard pass from Emanuel to Adam Young.

Emanuel completed eight of 11 passes for 115 yards. Redshirt freshman Warren Patterson was four of eight for 26 yards. The young quarterbacks were sacked three times and lost two fumbled snaps.

"We had poor execution offensively and it started in the quarterback position," Demon Head Coach Sam Goodwin said. "They're young and they looked it. At times, they also did some great things but generally we had too many mistakes to have any offensive flow."

Heading the defensive surge were linebackers Johnson and Jason Mills and linemen Curtis Tademy, Robert Daniel and Carl Taylor.

"The linebackers made a lot of plays," Goodwin said. "It seemed like we didn't get to them at all. That says the defensive front played well, too."

Junior All-America candidate Clarence Matthews was the leading rusher with 56 yards on 10 carries. Sophomore Brian Jacquet added 38 yards on 10 carries and sophomore Anthony Williams had 29 yards on five carries.

"The running backs looked good," Goodwin said. "Clarence had a couple of great runs. Anthony Williams ran hard. We're just a long way away offensively and quarterback is the biggest trouble spot."

Senior starting quarterback Brad Laird is sitting out contact drills this spring as he recovers from January surgery on his left (non-throwing) wrist.

Senior Jayson Hayes, a starter at guard last year, was moved to center Friday in an attempt to strengthen that post.

"Jayson should help us at center," Goodwin said. "Since he just moved over there Friday, he's still making the adjustment. We should see some progress there next week."

The Demons wrap up the first half of spring practice with another scrimmage Wednesday. The team will then take 10 days off for spring break before resuming workouts and pointing toward the April 29 Joe Delaney Bowl at Turpin Stadium.

# SportsBriefs

### Demon Awards dinner honors seniors

Senior forward Tarius Brown picked up two top honors March 27 at the Demon Basketball Awards Dinner honoring Northwestern's 1994-95 men's basketball team.

More than 160 people attended the prime rib dinner at the Holiday Inn/Natchitoches. Brown won the team's Most Valuable Player Award and the "Best Rebounder" honor after leading the Demons with averages of 18.1 points and 7.6 rebounds per game.

Senior guard Kenny McMillon was voted the "Team Before Self Award" for unselfish contributions. McMillon's scoring average dipped two points this year as he took on more defensive assignments to help the Demons surprise preseason predictors who tabbed Northwestern for a last-place finish in the Southland Conference race.

Under first-year coach J. D. Barnett, Northwestern posted a surprising 13-14 overall record and finished sixth in the 10-team SLC. The Demons owned wins over the two teams which tied for second in the league standings and also whipped South Alabama by 14 points on a neutral court.

Senior guard Keith Tisdell won the team's "Best Defense Award." Tisdell, a walk-on from Aurora, Col., helped slow some of the league's top offensive players, including Tony Long of Southwest Texas, Marlon Anderson of Texas-San Antonio, Larry Carr of Northeast Louisiana and Paul Marshall of Northeast Louisiana.

Also receiving special recognition at the banquet was the fourth and final member of the 1994-95 senior class, forward Chris Trailer.

Brown won second-team All-Southland Conference honors earlier this month.

### NSU rowers host meet on Cane River

On March 18, the Northwestern Rowing Team hosted Rice, the University of Kansas, and St. Thomas for a series of scrimmages on Cane River. The races included those of Men's Varsity Eights and Fours, Women's Varsity Eights and Fours, Novice Men's Eights and Fours and Novice Women's Eights and Fours.

For Northwestern, the Varsity Women's Four came in first in their race and the the Novice Women's Eight, Novice Women's Four and the Women's Lightweight Four all placed second in their races. Although Northwestern did not win every race, there was a vast improvement in all boats from the week before.

Even though Northwestern did not emerge triumphant in all of the races, the scrimmages served as a confidence booster. There are other beneficial purposes for the Northwestern Rowing Team to host these scrimmages, including providing publicity for the team, race experience to novice rowers and a way to gauge the team's progress.

Scrimmages provide the team with an idea as to how much work must be accomplished before the next race as well as allowing for individual critiques of each rower before they race in larger regattas.

# Demons' Brown named to collegiate team

Tarius Brown, who did not play for the Demons in 1993-94, capped his career at Northwestern by being named to the 1995 All-Louisiana Collegiate Basketball Team last week in voting by the Louisiana Sportswriters Association.

Brown, a 6-3 senior walk-on from Birmingham, Al., was named to the All-Louisiana third team by the 39-member panel of voters. He played the last two months of the season with torn cartilage in his left knee and still led the Demons in scoring (18.1 points per game) and rebounding (7.6 per game). He spearheaded a surprising sixth-place Southland Conference finish for the Demons and first-year head coach J. D. Barnett after Northwestern was picked 10th in the league's preseason polls.

Barnett finished fourth in voting for All-Louisiana Coach of the Year honors for leading his team to a 13-14 finish and a berth in the SLC postseason tournament.

Reggie Jackson, who capped a remarkable career by leading Nicholls State to the SLC title and the NCAA Tournament, was voted the "Player of the Year" and named to the All-Louisiana first team.

Joining Jackson on the first team are three sophomores—LSU's Ronnie Henderson, Tulane's Rayshard Allen and Jerald Honeycutt—and Grambling senior Kenny Sykes.

Jackson's coach, Rickey Broussard, was voted "Coach of the Year" for leading the Colonels to a 24-5 record and first NCAA Tournament berth in the school's history.

LSU guard Randy Livingston was a landslide winner in "Freshman of the Year" voting and headlined the second team. Joining him on the second team was University of New Orleans junior guard Tyrone Garris, voted the state's "Newcomer of the Year."

Also on the second team were Nicholls State senior forward Gerard King, Southern junior forward Tim Roberts and senior forward Larry Carr of Northeast Louisiana.

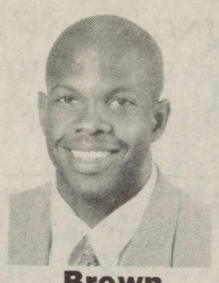
Brown was joined on the third team by LSU senior forward Clarence Ceasar, Louisiana Tech junior forward Doug Annison, junior guard LeVeldro Simmons of Tulane and freshmen forward Ronnell Williams of Southern.

Six of the top seven vote-getters, and nine of the 15 team members, are Louisiana natives. Tulane, which reached the second round of the NCAA Tournament, led with three players on the team while Nicholls State, LSU and Southern each had two representatives.

The 6-6 Jackson became only the third player in three decades of SLC basketball to win All-SLC first-team honors four straight seasons. He averaged 22 points, 10.9 rebounds and shot 58.2 percent from the field while becoming the 75th player in NCAA major college history to score at least 2,000 points (2,114) and get 1,000 rebounds (1,262) in a career.

Henderson led the Southeastern Conference in scoring with a 23.3 average, earning first-team All-SEC recognition.

Tulane's Allen was the runnerup in voting for the Metro Conference "Player of the Year" award while averaging 16.2 points, 7.7 rebounds and shooting 60.1 percent from the floor to lead the conference.



**Brown**

Fellow Green Wave teammate Honeycutt contributed 17.6 points, 7.6 rebounds and 3.3 assists per game. The Grambling native was the only Metro Conference player to rank in the league's top five in scoring, rebounding and assists.

Sykes was the nation's No. 2 scorer with a 26.3 average for Grambling while repeating as "Player of the Year" in the Southwestern Athletic Conference.

Heading the second team was LSU's Livingston, who led the nation in assists (9.4 per game) when he suffered a fractured kneecap midway through the season. The 6-4 New Orleans native averaged 14 points and four rebounds and was named voted "Freshman of the Year" in the SEC by the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution* despite missing the last 11 games of the season.

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### 1995 ALL-LOUISIANA BASKETBALL TEAM

*selected by the Louisiana Sportswriters Association*

| Points | Name, University | Class | Pos. | Ht. | Hometown | Notes |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | **FIRST TEAM** | | | | | |
| 449 | Ronnie Henderson, LSU | So. | G | 6-4 | Jackson, Ms. | All-SEC, 23.3 ppg led SEC |
| 443 | Reggie Jackson, Nicholls | Sr. | P | 6-6 | Baker | SLC Player of Year; 22.0 ppg |
| 412 | Rayshard Allen, Tulane | So. | F | 6-7 | Marrero | All-Metro; 16.2 ppg |
| 382 | Jerald Honeycutt, Tulane | So. | F | 6-9 | Grambling | All-Metro; 17.6 ppg |
| 378 | Kenny Sykes, Grambling | Sr. | G | 6-4 | Colfax | SWAC Player of Year; 26.3 ppg |
| | **SECOND TEAM** | | | | | |
| 342 | Randy Livingston, LSU | Fr. | G | 6-4 | New Orleans | 14.0 ppg, 9.4 assists |
| 265 | Gerard King, Nicholls | Sr. | F | 6-9 | New Orleans | All-SLC; 21.7 ppg, 7.7 rebounds |
| 236 | Tim Roberts, Southern | Jr. | F | 6-5 | Woodbridge, Va. | All-SWAC; 26.2 ppg 3rd in U.S. |
| 185 | Larry Carr, Northeast | Sr. | F | 6-4 | Athens, Ga. | All-SLC; 17.0 ppg, 5.9 rebounds |
| 184 | Tyrone Garris, New Orleans | Jr. | G | 6-0 | Philadelphia, Pa. | All-SBC; 17.1 ppg |
| | **THIRD TEAM** | | | | | |
| 182 | Clarence Ceasar, LSU | Sr. | F | 6-8 | Iowa | 12.6 ppg, 7.0 rebounds, 3.0 steals |
| 141 | Tarius Brown, Northwestern | Sr. | F | 6-3 | Birmingham, Al. | All-SLC; 18.1 ppg, 7.6 rebounds |
| 136 | Doug Annison, La. Tech | Jr. | F | 6-5 | Baton Rouge | All-SBC; 15.8 ppg, 6.1 rebounds |
| 134 | LeVeldro Simmons, Tulane | Jr. | G | 6-4 | Shreveport | 14.1 ppg, 3.5 rebounds, 4.1 assists |
| 105 | Ronnell Williams, Southern | Fr. | F | 6-7 | Cincinnati, Ohio | 20.1 ppg, 9.7 rebounds, 58.3 FG % |

***HONORABLE MENTION***

Harvey Baker, Southeastern; Sam Bowie, Southeastern; Bryan Collins, USL; Jamar Comeaux, Centenary; Terrance King, La. College; Kim Lewis, Tulane; Paul Marshall, Northeast; Michael McDonald, UNO; Chad McDowell, LSU-Shreveport; Alwydas Pazdrazdis, McNeese; Reginald Poole, USL; Karriem Reed, Southern-New Orleans; Jermaine Spivey, New Orleans.

***PLAYER OF THE YEAR***

Reggie Jackson, Nicholls--22.0 points per game, 10.9 rebounds per game; 58.2 field goal percentage; Southland Conference Player of the Year; four-year All-SLC first team

*(Jackson 17, Ronnie Henderson 10, Kenny Sykes 7, Rayshard Allen 5)*

***NEWCOMER OF THE YEAR***

Tyrone Garris, UNO--17.1 ppg; first team All-Sun Belt; MVP of UNO Classic and USF&G Sugar Bowl Classic)

*(Garris 16, Ronnell Williams 10, Sam Bowie 8, Lincoln Abrams/Centenary 4, Karriem Reed 1)*

***FRESHMAN OF THE YEAR***

Randy Livingston, LSU--14.0 ppg, 9.4 assists per game; was tied for national lead in assists when injury ended his season

*(Livingston 72, Reginald Poole 4, Glenn Charles, Southeastern 2, Kenderick Franklin/Nicholls 1)*

***COACH OF THE YEAR***

Rickey Broussard, Nicholls--Led 24-5 Colonels to regular-season and SLC Tournament titles and NCAA Tournament

*(Broussard 14, Jim Wooldridge/Louisiana Tech 10, Tic Price/UNO 6, J. D. Barnett/Northwestern 5, Perry Clark/Tulane 4)*

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### CAMPUS

**NEW COMPUTER SERVICE PROVIDES JOB INFORMATION:** The Council on Hotel, Restaurant and Institutional Education has established an electronic recruiting service which links employers with potential job candidates who possess the skills needed for professional positions in restaurants and food service, hotels and lodging, travel and tourism and recreation. For more information call 357-5085 or 357-5587.

**NSU-LEESVILLE ENGLISH INSTRUCTOR PUBLISHES ARTICLE:** Karan Thompson, a graduate assistant and English instructor at NSU-Leesville, published an article in the Fall/ Winter edition of *The Louisiana English Journal.* Thompson's article, *Content in Writing: The Significance of Cognitive Development*, discusses methods that English teachers can use to help students develop content in their writing.

**EARLY REGISTRATION BEGINS:** Beginning on Tuesday, students can pick up their schedule request cards in the Ballroom in the Student Union. Early registration beginsWednesday.

### CITY

**NATCHITOCHES CITY COUNCIL DELAYS CRIME SALES TAX:** Natchitoches city policemen left the City Council meeting last Monday angry and frustrated because of the delay of the crime sales tax. The tax would finance more officers and implement crime fighting programs.

### STATE

**CENSUS TEST CONTINUES THOUGH MID-APRIL:** The 1995 census test of northwestern Louisiana still has not reached completion. Beginning now, census takers will begin follow-up activities to the complete the census questionnaires from households that have not returned them yet. Households may be contacted in person or by telephone.

### NATION

**FAU STUDENT ARRESTED FOR MERCURY THEFT:** Police have arrested a Florida Atlantic University student for the theft of mercury from a school laboratory last fall. If the 18-year-old student is convicted, FAU administrators may seek more than $300,000 in reimbursement costs for the cleanup effort that stemmed from the hazardous material's exposure to the Boca Raton campus. Palm Beach Country police say that Matt Kavanaugh stole nearly four pounds of mercury from Sanson Science Building last November.

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# SGA candidates fire up campaigns in debate

JANE BALDWIN
*Current Sauce*

Communication, day care centers and respect were some of the issues presented April 3 during the first ever debate with the Student Government Association's presidential and vice-presidential candidates.

The debate was sponsored by the Gavel Club, a leadership organization consisted of presidents of any chartered student organization on campus.

Tait Martin, a junior public relations and broadcasting major and mediator of the debate, said the Gavel Club thought the SGA free speech forum was going to hold a debate with the candidates but since they did not "we decided to do it."

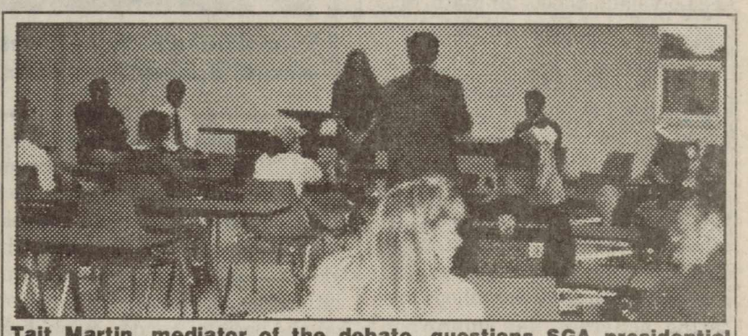
"It was an opportunity to get the views of the presidential candidates," Martin said.

The Gavel Club only had over a day to prepare and publicize the debate, but despite the lack of time Martin said "it was a decent crowd." Many students had the opportunity to ask the candidates questions concerning their platforms.

"I was pleased with the audience participation," he said.

The presidential candidates Misty Mayeux and Jason Meche began the debate. "I don't believe we understand the power that each of us holds as students," Mayeux said.

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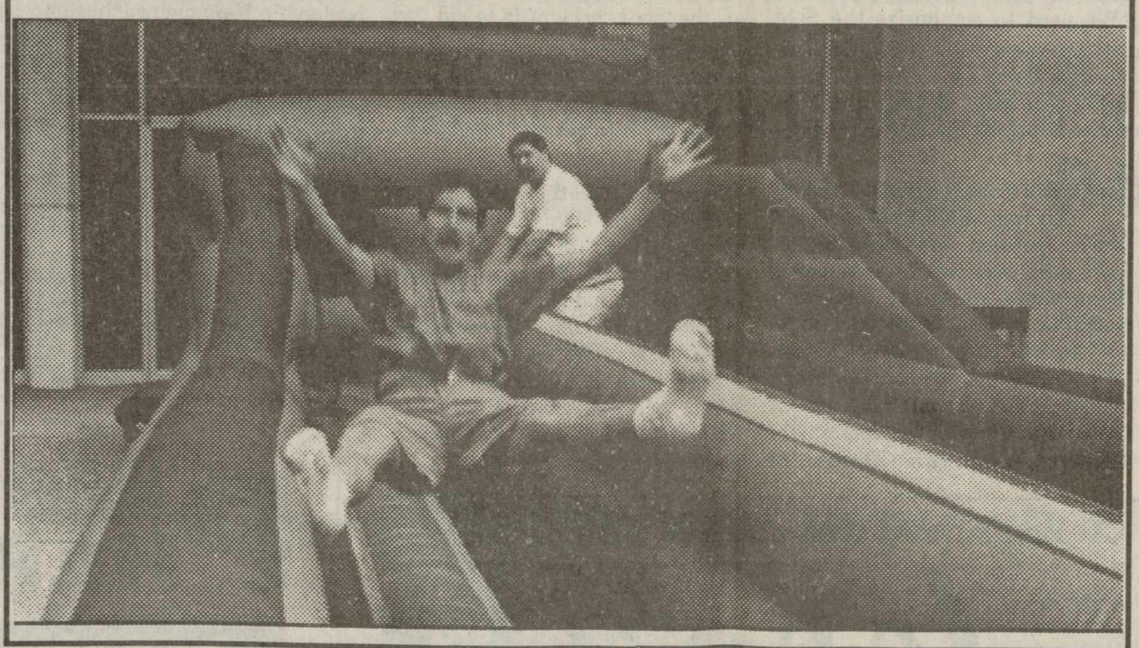
**Tait Martin, mediator of the debate, questions SGA presidential candidate, Misty Mayeux**

## Ready, Set, Go...



**A student braces himself (above) and lets go (bottom) for a fun ride outside the Student Union. This was just one of the rides provided by the Student Activities Board during Spring Fling .**

PHOTOS BY JONATHAN WALLACE



# Robot 'Jack the Ripper' proves to be a contender

DAWN O'BRIEN
*Current Sauce*

On March 31 and April 1, Jack the Ripper, a robot constructed by students from the Louisiana School for Math, Sciences and the Arts, placed 34th while competing against 48 other robots in the U.S. First Ramp n' Roll competition at Disneyworld in Orlando, Fla.

Northwestern along with an engineering company, Martin Marietta, helped coordinate the construction of the robot with the Louisiana School.

The object of the competition was to design and build a remote-controlled robot that can collect, transport and lift one 24-inch and/or one 30-inch diameter ball over a crossbar between two football goal posts. Each team had to construct its robot exclusively from parts provided by U.S. First and up to $425 in parts from the Small Parts Catalog.

Seventy teams from around the United States took part in the U.S. First Competition. The team from the Louisiana School was the only Louisiana representative. Faculty member Chuck Scheier of the Louisiana School started the team. He was assisted by Al Villavaso, associate professor of industrial technology. Northwestern is one of 11 colleges and universities taking part in the project.

The robot had to be designed and built within a seven-week timeframe.

> "It was a team effort. Everyone was essential to the project and yet no one was extremely vital. Everyone contributed and we all succeeded."
>
> **Robert Ross, LSMSA student**

The team of students met for an hour each weekday as a class and for two hours each evening supervised by faculty members. "This experience took a lot out of us," Robert Ross, a student from the Louisiana School said. "It was a struggle at times, but it has been a good experience. We learned a lot through our mistakes and it has been quite an accomplishment."

Ross attributes the teams success to one thing. "It was a team effort," Ross said. "Everyone was essential to the project and yet no one was extremely vital. Everyone contributed and we all succeeded."

Jack-the-Ripper won second place in two double elimination rounds.

The rounds were two minutes long each and three robots competed at a time. The main objective was for the robots to pick up a ball, go up a ramp, throw or shoot the ball through a nine-foot field goal and keep the opponent from scoring. Each robot had two chances to ultimately get a ball through the goal, using one of two balls. The smaller ball was worth two points and the other was worth three points.

Seven weeks before the competition, Jack the Ripper was only pieces

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# Continuing ed gets big money

Northwestern's Division of Continuing Education has been awarded a $30,000 grant to hold a 10-state Regional Dissemination Conference entitled *Technology and Prevention: Networking for a Drug-Free Tomorrow*. The conference will be held in New Orleans on June 5-6.

The grant was awarded by the United States Department of Education and Southwest Regional Center for Drug-Free Schools and Communities. The goal of the conference is to increase awareness of how prevention information may be disseminated through the use of technology and to utilize the power of technology to generate widespread dissemination of prevention information, according to Sujuan Boutte, coordinator of Continuing Education.

Keynote speakers for the conference will be Dr. Richard P. Keeling and Eric Engstrom.

Keeling is the director of University Health Services and a professor of medicine at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. He consults with institutions of higher education, non-profit organizations, corporations and government agencies concerning critical issues of health, health behaviors, self-esteem and community issues, especially in regard to adolescents and young adults. He is the author of numerous books, chapters, articles, abstracts, editorials and video-tapes concerning health issues.

Engstrom is president of Health Advocates, a consulting group of clinicians, educators, researchers and writers dedicated to promoting health and building community.

Through Health Advocates, Engstrom works to enhance individual health, build healthy communitites, organize effective health education programs and promote humane and successful health care delivery systems.

The conference cost is $95 and will cover all conference sessions, including pre-conference sessions, workshop, handout/resource materials, three breaks and two meals. The registration fee, $25, is non-refundable and lodging along with all other meals and travel are not included.

For more information, contact the Division of Continuing Education at 1-800-256-2822.

# University changes mission statement

The Board of Regents has approved a revision in the role, scope and mission for Northwestern .

The new mission statement reflects the addition of a doctoral program in educational technology which was approved in February. Northwestern's mission statement is part of the master plan for the state's colleges and universities.

According to the new mission statement, the University should continue to strengthen its doctoral program in educational technology which is the only doctoral program of its kind in the state. The statement said that further doctoral programs in new or different areas are discouraged except under extraordinary circumstances.

Northwestern's future role should emphasize its tradition in teacher education and nursing, the Regents said. The University's role in preservation technology places Northwestern in a position to "continue to affect favorably the economic development of the state and improve the quality of life for citizens in the area," according to the statement.

The doctoral program in educational technology is a 60-hour program designed to prepare educators in the planning and development of technology systems and resources to enhance instruction and research. Students will spend

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# News Briefs

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## Advance Camp to begin in June

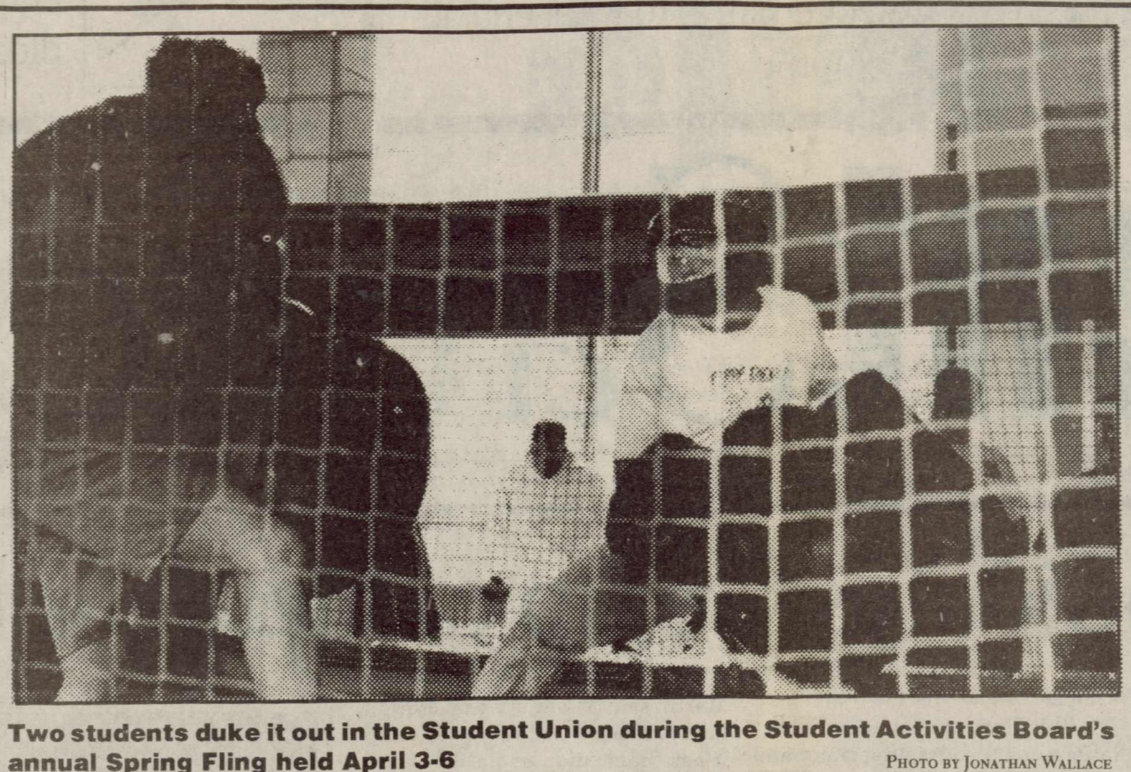
The Advance Summer Residential Program for verbally and mathematically gifted and talented youth will be held at Northwestern June 4-24. The Advance Program features one three-week session offering intensive, fast-paced courses in the humanities, the natural sciences, mathematics and computer science.

Students selected to participate in Advance enroll in one course during the three-week term and generally complete the equivalent of one year of high school or a semester of college level work.

Each offering is instructed by a carefully selected faculty member who is attuned to the individual needs of the students accepted into this program. These teachers include members of the faculty from the Louisiana School for Math, Science, and the Arts and Scholars' College.

Equal attention is given to the residential life portion of the program and importance is placed on participation in numerous extracurricular opportunities. An array of social and cultural activities is scheduled for students to attend in their free time. Dances, games, arts and crafts projects, workshops featuring activities like improvisational acting, and many types of sporting events are planned and supervised by the residential staff, a conscientious group of college and graduate school students who live with the students during their three-week stay.

Financial aid is available on a limited basis in cases of need. For information concerning applications for the Advance Program for Young Scholars call 357-4500 or 1-800-259-GIFT.



**Two students duke it out in the Student Union during the Student Activities Board's annual Spring Fling held April 3-6**

PHOTO BY JONATHAN WALLACE

## Female athletes' case wins against Brown University

A federal judge has ruled that Brown University discriminates against its female athletes by limiting the sports they can access.

U.S. District Court Senior Judge Raymond J. Pettine handed down his 69-page decision last week, finding the Ivy League school in violation of Title IX, a federal regulation that prohibits discrimination on the basis of gender at publicly funded institutions.

The ruling stems from a 1992 lawsuit against Brown filed by members of the school's women's gymnastics and volleyball teams, who sued the university after their programs were dropped from the university's budget. To cut expenses, Brown officials decided to change these sports programs, along with men's water polo and golf, to donor-funded activities.

While the teams could still use Brown University's name, equipment, travel expenses, training facilities and coaches' salaries had to be paid for through donations.

To comply with Title IX, schools must satisfy a three-prong test used by the Office of Civil Rights. Under the test, schools must provide opportunities for all students to participate in athletics and make accommodations for the under-represented gender.

Pettine said he based his decision on the discrepancy between university-funded and donor-funded sports, adding that donor-funded sports were given a "second-class status" by the university.

Brown officials say they will appeal the decision to U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit in Boston.

"The ruling, while not entirely surprising, is extremely disappointing," said Robert A. Reichley, executive vice president of Brown, in a released statement.

## Miami players sues *Times*

University of Miami running back James Stewart has been waiting for draft day since the Hurricanes' loss to Nebraska in the Orange Bowl. Considered one of the top running backs in the nation, Stewart was figured to be a first- or second-round pick.

But when *The New York Times* reported that Stewart tested positive for marijuana at an NFL scouting combine, the Miami player's stock dropped considerably. And despite a statement by the NFL saying that Stewart did not fail the test, the damage may have already been done.

College football players usually ride a roller coaster of emotion in the few months between their final game and the NFL draft. They read constant updates of where they stand in this year's crop of college players, facing continual scrutiny about how much weight they've gained, how strong their work ethic is and how willing they are to learn a new system. Even the slightest rumor of a weakness can drop a player's value.

Saying he had to keep his future in mind, Stewart filed a lawsuit against *The New York Times*, its sports editor and the reporter who wrote the story.

Although the suit does not specify the amount of money that Stewart is seeking, attorney Alan Goldfarb says it will be in excess of $15,000, and could be determined by Stewart's eventual place in the draft. "We want this to call attention to the truth," Goldfarb said. "This is someone's reputation, and it's entirely not true."

The lawsuit states that "Stewart suffered serious and permanent injury to his personal and professional reputation and career, including the loss of prospective business relationships and opportunities."

Despite the lawsuit, *The New York Times* is standing by its story. The newspaper ran an explanation of how the information was obtained, but not a retraction or apology.

## What does a pack of cigarettes cost taxpayers?

Although the 104th Congress may have placed tobacco regulations on the legislative back burner, a new study from a professor at Duke University may heat things up once again.

Basing his monetary figures on a cost-per-pack system, Duke economist W. Kip Viscusi has released a study that focuses on who pays for the cost of smokers in the United States.

In a paper for the National Bureau of Economic Research, Viscusi states that each pack of cigarettes sold in the U.S. cost taxpayers approximately 55 cents in health care costs. These costs range from higher premiums on health insurance to Medicare.

In addition, the money lost from the extra sick days that smokers use is about a penny a pack, while the extra costs for fire damage from smokers is two cents a pack.

Viscusi says that smokers also cash in on their life insurance policies faster than non-smokers, adding another 14 cents per pack for life insurance policies.

Together, Viscusi estimates that smokers cost taxpayers about 72 cents a pack. Viscusi says smokers still make up for their eventual costs to society by the amount of taxes they pay.


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# SGA: President and vice-president candidates voice concerns

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"My main goal as president is to expand the popularity and availability of the SGA to all the students."

Mayeux emphasized the importance of recognizing the non-traditional student. "Most of our students and non-traditional students are parents or single parents," Mayeux said. "I believe that by establishing a day care center on this campus will better reach the needs of the commuter students."

She explained that she plans to establish a day care center on campus and also wants to move the University Police to a more centralized location on campus.

Meche spoke on the problems of communication between the SGA and the students. "The number one problem with the SGA and the students is communication," Meche said. "The SGA does not hear the students concerns and when the SGA gets answers from the administration it does not get back to the students. That is what is wrong with the SGA."

Meche said he plans to increase publicity by using the campus publications and wants to hold assemblies once a semester with the freshmen to get their views.

"We need to get students opinions on what they think," he said. "We need to emphasize the SGA more, who the SGA officers are and what the SGA can do."

Meche believes the students should become more involved in what is going on with higher education in the state. He also plans to have a student following to protect higher education.

Mark Alexander and Jacob Johnson also spoke on the roles of a vice-president. "One of the roles of the vice-president is to aid and advice the president," Alexander said.

Alexander said that from his three years of experience with the SGA he knows what plans will work and which ones will not.

"I can help by not spinning our wheels by not using the same avenues that will not work," he said.

"The vice-president's main job is work," Johnson said. Johnson believes the biggest problem is the lack of leadership. He explained that a strong leader would improve the problems with inactive senators.

"The problem with the senators is leadership," Johnson said.

"The senators know that if they don't do their office hours nothing is going to happen to them. Each senator must have something to do," he said.

The SGA elections will be held Wednesday and Thursday in the Student Union.

# ROBOT: 'Jack the Ripper' puts up a good fight

of equipment in a box. It was constructed using parts from a box and some other materials, such as plywood, that were purchased in limited quantities. Also, company sponsor Lockheed-Martin sent engineers to help in building the robot. Finally, Jack, along with the team went to Disney world in Florida, for the competition.

"We weren't told how to do it, just given a box of parts and the rules," Villavaso, said. The rules were that the robot could not weigh more than seventy pounds and had to fit in a thirty six inch diameter by thirty inch height cylinder.

"It was a lot of fun. The robot did as well as we thought it would do," Villavaso said.

"We all got a lot out of it," Villavaso said. "We are looking forward to doing it again next year."

This was LSMSA's first year in the competition, and they will compete next year and years to come. Somewhere along the line, they might even win a championship.

In addition to Ross, fourteen other students were on the team. They included: Kristi Carmadelle of Westwego, Christopher Cummins of Lafayette, Bryan Daste of Chalmette, Heather Douglas of LaPlace, John Furr of Bossier, and Praveen Ghanta of Leesville. Other participants are: Shamin Gopinath of Slidell, Vishal Gupta of Harvey, Howard Hamilton of Plaquemine, Russell Hay of Houma, Indra Heckenbach of Abbeville, Senta Miller of Lake Charles, Michael Pruet of Metairie and Supreetinder Rangi of Alexandria.

# BOARD: Revisions made to mission

*Continued from the front page*

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# Colavito chosen Favorite Teacher Contest winner

Bridgette M. Morvant
*Current Sauce*

"The mark of a good teacher is the quality of the students that are produced," Dr. Joseph "Rocky" Colavito, the winner of the *Current Sauce* Favorite Teacher Contest, said.

"Teaching isn't done in a vacuum, so this award speaks as much of the students as it does me if not more so, because good classes are due in whole to having good students in them."

Colavito is in his second year as an English professor at Northwestern. Before teaching at Northwestern, he spent about nine years in Tuscan, getting his doctorate from the University of Arizona and teaching at a community college. Born in Buffalo, N.Y., Colavito was reared in Honeoye Falls, a small town just outside Rochester, N.Y.

This semester he teaches "two first-year writing classes and a 4000-level/graduate-level course in the history of rhetoric. "It's [history of rhetoric] the one that considers all forms of rhetorical theory in practice between the classical era and the contemporary era," he said. "So, it's all over the place."

Colavito has definite policies for teaching students. "Mainly, I try to treat the students like adults," he said. "I have certain adult-level expectations of them in the class. What I tell them on the first day of class is treat the class like you would your job. Students are professionals in training and I treat them as such."

In the classroom, Colavito is not afraid to tell stories, go off on tangents when necessary or put his own interests (specifically, popular and public culture) alongside those of the students. Colavito also said that he tries to get students to speak their minds in class.

"I'm part of the team that is a class," Colavito said. "That doesn't necessarily mean that I'm teacher as coach, but I'm a resource in the class and I try to learn as much from my students as they, hopefully, learn from me . . . .

"The biggest thing that I can tell the students is as far as approaching their education goes is don't be afraid to experiment. That isn't to say — and I want to be really clear on this — that isn't to say, you know, you have license to go and be really free form in the way you work for it. But, don't be afraid to talk with your professors about things that you want to try."

Colavito said that the true test of how well a student has learned something is that student's ability to take what's been learned in class and put a new twist on it. "That's what determines true learning and realizing that you're always learning," he said.

"That's one of the things that I'm really pleased with about as far as the students here . . . . They're willing to accept different approaches and they do their best to try things. They're willing to accept different approaches and they do their best to put their own twists on it . . . I think that's refreshing."

When asked to put a label on his teaching method, Colavito said it was "raising awareness as to the place of writing and literature in their [students'] own professions." He said that he tries to take a realistic approach to teaching English.

"I lot of the classes I teach are required classes for students who aren't English majors, so what I try to do is I try to make the classes accessible for their own uses. We talk a lot about the applicability of what they're doing in the classes to other things they're going to do throughout their college careers."

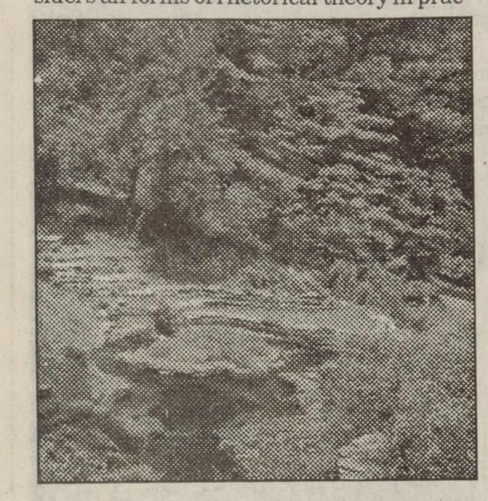
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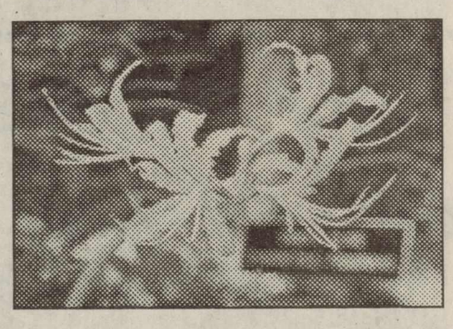
Colavito is enthusiastic about the subject he teaches and believes that his enthusiasm "conveys over to the students that it's okay to be enthusiastic about this stuff." Response to this contest would seem to prove that enthusiasm has made a positive impression on Colavito's students.

"I don't see myself as being any different than any of the instructors here," Colavito said. "I just see a way to do my job and I do it that way. I just want to keep doing my job and keep doing as much as I can to make it a better lot for the students."

In addition to working to improve the structure and organization of his classes, Colavito is also occupied with finishing his book, *Sounds of Fury/Rhetorics of Wrath: Rhetoric, Social Construction, and Public Reception of the "Education Crisis."* The book is a study of "the way education in general and higher education in particular, has acquired its bad rap, so to speak. I'm applying the rhetorical traditions to all this stuff that's getting done and written and said about higher education.

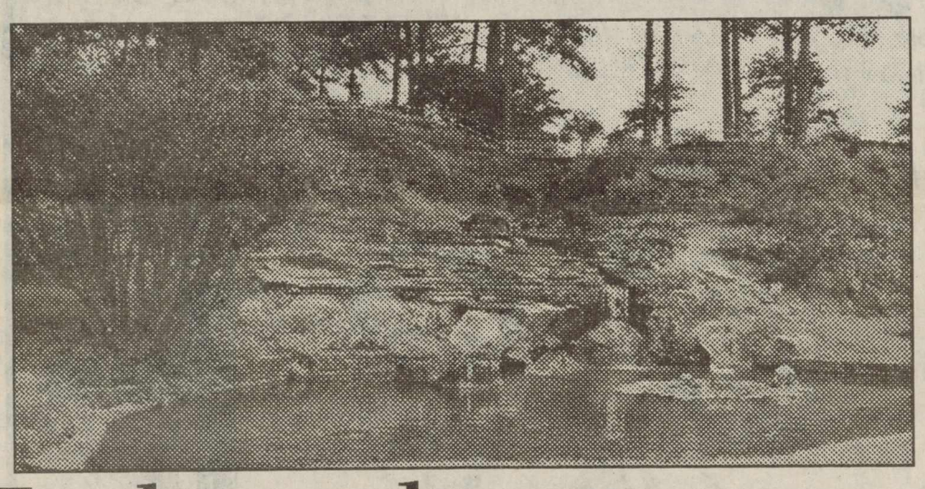
"This was the basis of my doctoral dissertation and it's been tugging at my conscious ever since I finished it and put it aside." Colavito has presented and will present strands from this research at various conferences.





**These are among the sites to be seen along the formal gardens at Hodges Gardens. The park is open from 8 a.m. to sunset everyday. Admission is $6.**

Photos by Bridgette M. Morvant



# *Stop and smell the roses at Hodges Gardens*

Bridgette M. Morvant
*Current Sauce*

Now that spring has sprung, the weather is perfect for students to take the trip sites of interest like Hodges Gardens.

Hodges Gardens, located near Many, La., is about a one-hour drive from Natchitoches and provides students with an daytime outing to the great outdoors. Students can explore the gardens on a Saturday or Sunday (or weekday if schedules allow) and return to campus for the evening.

The privately-owned park is open from 8 a.m. to sunset every day except Christmas Eve and Day and New Year's Day. Tickets are $6 per person (free to children under six with parents) and sold until 5 p.m.

Hodges Gardens is the largest privately-owned horticultural park and wildlife refuge in the nation. The grounds include formal gardens (including the Old Rose Garden, Modern Rose Garden, Rose Point and Day Lily Garden), a hiking trail, Observation Point, a natural scenic area, arboretum, wild Azalea overlook, buffalo and sheep pastures, natural scenic picnic areas, fishing boat rentals, an educational center, conservatory and greenhouses, Flag Island and Louisiana Purchase memorial, Bear Island, a lakeside picnic area, restrooms, a gift shop, a lookout tower and more.

Walking through the formal gardens should take two to four hours, while a drive through the other areas of the park should take one to two. Some of the paths through the formal gardens are accessible to wheelchairs and some are not. Wheelchairs are available free of charge from the gift shop.

Visitors are allowed to bring cameras, bicycles and dogs on leashes. Restrooms are available on the grounds but food is not sold, so visitors may want to plan ahead for lunch. Those interested may wish to call ahead at the gardens (318-586-3523) for information on any upcoming special events.

A.J. Hodges, an early conservationist, founded Hodges Gardens after working on an experimental arboretum in west central Louisiana the early 1940s. In the course of his work he found an abandoned stone quarry and he and his wife, Nona Trigg Hodges, decided to use the rock formations to create a distinctive garden. The park was opened to the public in 1956. The park is now owned and operated by A.J. and Nona Trigg Hodges Foundation, a nonprofit organization.

## What To Do In (And Around) Natchitoches

# Light reading: sure cure for upcoming summer boredom

Derek Rabuck
*Current Sauce*

With summer approaching, students' thoughts often wander to ideas for killing the long summer days.

If you like to read, or even if you don't, here are some recommendations for books that will keep you entertained throughout the summer.

One thing that most people never notice is that a lot of books are being written that continue the storyline of many popular movies. Popular movie series such as the Indiana Jones series, the *Star Wars* saga and *Star Trek* (including books based on the television series *The Next Generation*, *Deep Space 9* and *Voyager*) all have numerous books out, based on the movie characters with new plots and adventures.

I personally recommend the *Star Wars* series. New books such as the *Courtship of Princess Leia*, *The Truce of Bakura* and The New *Correlian Adventures* are excellent reads that are hard to put down due to the intricately-woven story lines and fascinating adventures through space.

Also, many people see the movie versions of popular novels but never read the actual novels. Sometimes you miss out on the complete story by only seeing the movie. Many movies adaptations never give the best interpretation of the story and often differ from the original novel. Fans of the books written by John Grisham and Michael Crichton might want to check out the actual novels, especially since books such as *Jurassic Park* and *The Firm* are considerably different than their film counterparts.

But, you don't have to only read books that are based on movies. Many series will capture your interest with the first book and have you searching for the rest of the lineup. Series such as the Xanth books by Piers Anthony (see *Current Sauce* April 4, 1995, page 8), *The Incarnations of Immortality* series also by Anthony and the *Dark Tower Series* by Stephen King are examples of books that will have you eagerly awaiting the next in line of the series.

## REVIEW

The *Dark Tower Series* a wonderful choice but, any of King's novels are excellent time killers. King's dark look at the world around us is definitely worth readers' time. Some recommended novels include *The Tommyknockers*, *Misery* and *Needful Things*.

Another popular writer who you might want to check out is Dean Koontz. Koontz is a bestselling author who is a very talented and imaginative writer. Novels such as his newest, *Dark Rivers of the Heart*, are not as horrifying as King, but still pack a punch. Koontz's style of writing mesmerizes the reader due to his ability to have you believing one thing throughout the whole book but in the end finding out something totally different was happening.

If you're in the mood for a writer who is very entertaining check out some of Koontz's titles. Books such as *Cold Fire*, *Lightning* and *Shattered* will satisfy all of your reading expectations and pass away countless vacation hours.

If you feel like you're going to go out of your mind due to the long hours of the summer, pick up a good book. You'll probably enjoy it and you won't even have to write a book report.

# Stressed students get massage therapy

Jennifer Cohen
*The Weekly Pennsylvanian*

PHILADELPHIA — Joe Penn has to write a paper for his English Class and one for his Women's Studies seminar, both by the end of the week.

As if that wasn't bad enough, he also has a midterm in Economics, plus an important job interview. Joe's nerves are shot — he's tense, fatigued and wired from too much coffee. Joe wants to feel better now.

The University of Pennsylvania Student Health therapist believes she has the answer to Joe's stress: massage therapy. For $20 per half hour, student Health Massage Therapist Jennifer Knight works away students' tension and anxiety using Swedish Massage and soothing music.

"I cannot undo in half an hour the stress students have put on their bodies for years," Knight said. "But I can help them feel better."

According to UP senior Brett Meltzer, who has tried Student Health's massage service, the therapy really works. "When I was done [with my massage], I felt my body and nerves had a heightened sense of sensitivity. "The next morning I was really limber and relaxed," he said. Knight's first goal is to make students feel comfortable. She explains to them what is involved in massage therapy and lets them choose how much or little they want to wear.

Then she asks if they would like her to put on music or use massage oil, and finds out what specific areas they feel need soothing.

"The main thing," Knight said, "is to be comfortable. Penn is a very stressful place to be. People who come to me really want to be there and want to feel better."

Although the price may seem high, Meltzer said that he feels it is worthwhile.

"You are getting a direct service from a professional that you can't get elsewhere. It's not expensive for the service that's provided," she said.

Knight also gives massage workshops when contacted by dormitory resident advisors.

But the one-on-one sessions are the most rewarding for her "I look at myself as a resource to people," she said. "I don't do magic, but it's nice to feel I really can make a difference."

# *Paperless term papers: Class assignments evolve*

Marco Buscaglia and John Ellis IV
*College Press Service*

Wellesley College freshman Wendy Wong remembers writing term papers in high school. "I kind of had a pattern," she said. "I would try to follow a format that I thought was effective."

That format usually included a thesis statement, footnotes and a conclusion. Now at Wellesley, it also can involve hyperlinks and multimedia images.

Wong is among a growing number of students nationwide, learning to design "virtual" term papers.

"You're able to show people exactly what you want them to see," Wong said. "You don't have to leave as many things open to interpretation."

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As universities become more wired, professors are no longer content to confine their assignments to an 8 1/2-by-11-inch canvas. More and more, students are using computers to design class presentations.

"We're seeing an increase in these types of projects because there can be such a wide range of subjects and activities that can be covered," said Gordon Miller, director of multimedia lab at Virginia Tech. "The students love it. They are so enthusiastic about the possibilities of the technology."

For example, Miller helps engineering students use computers to put together automated examples of the often-difficult material they are attempting to explain. "It's the future on how we plan on receiving and storing information," Miller said. "It's already having a huge impact on most industries. That will only increase."

Peter Roni, a chemical engineering professor at Virginia Tech, said that his students are usually enthusiastic about the possibilities of seeing their papers evolve from the traditional format.

"This is more than the writing of a term paper. What this really is teaching them is the communication of results," Roni said. "We're talking about real communication here. It's wonderful."

Roni even grades his papers electronically, placing digital Post-it notes where he sees fit. "The students already know what to look for," he said. "Yellow is for general comments. If they see a red Post-it note, they know there is a problem."

Joya Maye, a junior majoring in psychology at Hood College in Frederick, Md., used digital presentations in both psychology and social work classes. "It's a great way to 'wow' people," Maye said. "They are expecting a routine paper or presentation and then you surprise them by the format."

For her presentation on love and sex

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**Our**View

## THE SGA VOTE

### Our picks for the most effective campus leaders in 1995-96

Justified or not, we've come *not* to expect a lot from our student government leaders. It often seems like the candidates don't have a clue as to what is going on around campus. And that is reflected in students' "What do they do for me," attitude.

The *Current Sauce* editorial staff is glad to report that the candidates running for president and vice president of the SGA this year do seem to care about the University and students. It was not a judgment easily made to say the least. It only came after hearing the candidates speak in public debate, reading a *lot* of SGA minutes and conducting one-on-one interviews.

All the candidates have positive aspects to their potential leadership of the campus. Some were excellent speakers who seemed to have the ability to persuade the student body, and administration if need be, to any cause.

But, what we looked for in our pick for future president and VP of the Northwestern SGA was a campaign of practical ideas and the commitment to seeing those ideas through.

We feel this is best exemplified in the presidential race by Jason Meche. Throughout the past year, we've watched as Meche worked with his peers on the SGA and then helped implement and aggressively promote several programs that have enriched the lives of *all* Northwestern students. The most visible being the free speech forums and efforts to bring Louisiana gubernatorial candidates to Northwestern—a move which puts the University in good strategic position when the next wave of cuts to higher ed. hits.

Furthermore, his dedication to seeing through programs sponsored by other senators like the student-run teacher evaluation shows us that he is willing to make effective and realistic changes that we can all witness the results of.

His opponent also had some innovative ideas, like building a bridge of Chaplin's lake for the benefit of aviation science students and moving University police to a more centralized location. But we feel that Meche's ideas are more realistic for the current relationship between the students, the SGA and the administration. In turn, they provide the next logical stepping stone to giving back to the SGA the respect it rightfully deserves.

Mark Alexander, one of the candidates for vice president, has similar ideas. Alexander has been in Northwestern student government longer than anyone running in the race this year and has an expert feel for the way things work. Fortunately, his innovative and, again, realistic, ideas indicated to us he is not willing to settle for the status quo.

You could look for Alexander to carve the excess from the senate as he intends to get rid of the slackers as well as championing the cause of the student-run teacher evaluations (which we believe *we will* see in the next year).

But, *please*, don't take our word for it. Read the interviews and bios of the candidates in our tabloid supplement. Talk to the candidates if you can. It doesn't matter if you feel the way we do as long as you make a well-informed decision based on what is good for the University and not just place a vote for the good of a friend or organization.

Believe it or not, a well-placed vote now, followed by frequent check-ups on the results of that vote, can change Northwestern in the long run.

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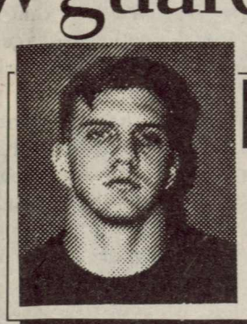
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# To the new guard: a columnist's wish list

## ARAMARK, visitation policy are priority targets



**Andrew**Martin

The Bottom Line

As you all know, it is Student Government Association election time. This is a pretty big deal, because it symbolizes a changing of the guard. We'll have a new president for the first time since God was a boy and maybe we'll get some new direction out of all this. I've compiled some ideas for our new governing body--some things I've wanted to see changed for a while. I'm not sure how many of them we'll see in our lifetime, but I think they're worth mentioning.

First off, how about kicking ARAMARK right off the freaking campus? I'm all for it and I think that most of you are as well. I'm a little tired of paying $34 for two forks worth of hard lasagna and mashed potatoes. Maybe if the food were consistently edible I wouldn't mind paying inflated prices like we have now. I say we kick them out and bring in Burger King instead. After all, who doesn't like to eat at the BK lounge?

Another option on this situation would be to go ahead and get our meal tickets to where they were good in town. I'm not talking about validating them at Maggio's or anything (though that could be fun), but places like Wendy's, McDonald's, Burger King, Popeye's, etc. Other schools can do it, why can't we? Because ARAMARK is a money hungry, horribly crappy business. That's why.

What if we got a twenty-four hour visitation policy? No more of this "You must sign out by eleven o'clock" crap. I wonder if the school administration ever looked at how strict our visitation policies are in relation to other schools. I feel that once you hit 18-years-old you are responsible enough to manage your own affairs, including who you'll have in your room and when you'll have them there. If you are unable to make good sense judgments about yourself on something as simple as that, you don't have any business being in college any way.

How about a phone registration system? I know that a lot of people are for that. I think that laying in bed and being able to register for classes would beat the hell out of having to get up at the crack of dawn and wait in line for three hours trying to get yourself enrolled for the next semester.

Why can't we have anything besides CPR and golf classes during the "B" term? Could it possibly hurt anything? I was going to try to pick up something during this semester's "B" term but the course selection was so crappy that I decided not to waste my time. Thanks NSU!

I've got some other big plans like a beer truck in the new quad between Kyser and Williamson, legalized prostitution on campus, a bar in The Alley, and a call-in massage service through the IM. I know that I'll never see any of this, but it sounds like a hell of a lot of fun and they're worth considering.

My advice to the new SGA: We've given you our blessings and you're in charge. Please, get to work because this place needs your new blood.

## The 1995 SGA Senatorial Election Photos:

### *"A Preponderance of Facial Fuzz."*




# Student government powerless, can be salvaged



**Madelyn**Boudreaux

Banana Notes

"A committee," it has been said, "is a beast with four or more legs and no brain."

Nowhere is that observation so true as in Northwestern's Student Senate, that august organization we usually call the SGA.

The SGA is a confusing body. Although it is ostensibly a group meant to represent the student population, its makeup is overwhelmingly Greek, which can make independent students feel unrepresented, often without good cause. The *basic* needs of most traditional undergraduates are usually upheld by the SGA—sorority women are no more served by a new sidewalk than their unaffiliated sisters and most students can benefit from an inquiry into the prices charged by ARAMARK.

Non-Greek students, however, are at a demographic disadvantage when it comes to representation because they have a poor voting record. Greek organizations encourage their members to vote, sometimes even requiring voting, while independent students must vote of their own accord. And, because of the apparent unity of Greek organizations, their members have an increased chance of receiving a large number of votes. With each additional member of a governing body, individual organizations gain strength, prestige, and visibility.

And non-traditional and graduate students so rarely have a noticeable voice on the SGA that it's no wonder they so hardly vote. Individual exceptions exist, but they are few and far between.

Of course, all students should realize that a sorority or fraternity is not equivalent to a political party, so voting for someone based on organizational affiliations (or lack thereof) is ridiculous. But because Northwestern doesn't use parties, Greek groups and other organizations end up filling that role.

Indeed, one improvement to the SGA that I'd love to see is a commitment to platforms during the campaigns. Many universities have political parties that echo our nation's system but use different names. Candidates join tickets, campaign on platforms such as academic improvements or environmental awareness, and, once voted in, are expected to actually uphold their promises.

This is a far cry from the bloodless biographies that our candidates publish each spring and fall, and the lack of commitment they tend to show.

And although the SGA deals with day-to-day issues of general concern to Northwestern's students, it rarely makes changes that improve the real purpose of the University — the quality of education here. The SGA spends most of the fall semester doing nothing more than handing out money to various club sports, such as the soccer team and the chess club. Most subcommittees rarely accomplish a thing — they meet, discuss ideas, and at the end of the year have done little else.

This, of course, is not entirely the fault of the individuals that make up the SGA. The problem lies in the group mentality inherent in any organization of this type.

I spent a year serving as a Class Senator on the SGA. Of course, I had no competition — I seriously doubt I could have raised enough support as an unaffiliated undergraduate, but as a graduate student I got the position by acclamation. I went into the job with as good intentions as any non-politician who ever graced the floor any senate. And I was almost immediately seduced by the group dynamics. Frankly, it was fun to write bills, debate issues, and finally have a voice in a group that most of my friends thought would never listen to someone like me.

The problem with the group is that, while most members (with a few unnamed exceptions, who sadly don't even realize who they are) are relatively intelligent beings capable of such higher functions as abstract thought and right vs. wrong, when they get together, they seem to lose all sight of reason and instead think in terms of their group advantages, their reputation with other elected members, how to curry favor with their own special interest groups — the organization(s) that got them elected in the first place.

For instance, one evening after a rather long and drawn out debate over a tense issue, a senator who had argued fiercely during the meeting told me that he didn't care one bit about what was right, but that he would do whatever was necessary to see that his fraternity brother got what he wanted.

That was the day I decided to quit, the day I realized that these peers, whom I had almost considered friends, whose names I had defended to my fellow graduate students and independent pals, were shallow politicians more concerned with their image among each other and among their own close-minded 'cliques' than with what was right for the students of Northwestern.

As an undergraduate, I believed the SGA was an evil organization who only wanted to thwart the things I believed in. After my short tenure with the group, I feel differently. It is basically a powerless group, crippled by shortsightedness, which serves only to give its members a nice line on their 'resumes' and some preliminary experience in Louisiana politics.

Yes, I think students should vote anyway — it shows civic responsibility, it gives you a nice feeling inside. But a far more useful measure is for students who care about this university to attend the senate meetings (8 p.m., Mondays in the Student Union, second floor) and the subcommittee meetings, and to demand that their senators behave in the manner befitting elected representatives.

Until then, I'll be the one laughing in the corner.

# Campus Forum

Tuesday, April 18, 1995

**News and Views from the Northwestern Community**

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***Purple Jackets***

The new members of Purple Jackets are Jennifer Aby, Terry Antee, Julie Cameron, Heather Dillon, Christine Dodge, Amy Ertel, Jennifer Gilbreath, Deborah Harris, Martha Hooper, Kim Kennedy, Misty Mayeux, Courtney Meyer, Melissa Morgan, Kasey Nunley, Anna Pizza, Amanda Simmons, Lisa Stewart, Becky Sylvester and Jill Whitehead.

Members should attend the next meeting at 6 p.m. Wednesday in Rm. 320. Officers will be elected at this meeting and tee shirts will be distributed.

***Graduate Recruiting Day***

Northwestern's graduate recruiting day will be held Thursday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Alumni room of the Family and Consumer Sciences building. Departmental tours and graduate assistantship interviews will be conducted. For more information, call the graduate office at 357-5851.

## Campus Connection

Campus Connection submissions must be brought to Rm. 225 by noon on the Monday before Tuesday publication.All submissions should be less than 100 words and should pertain solely to meetings, announcements and upcoming activities. Birthday greetings, congratulations and/or product advertisements should be submitted as paid classified ads. Connections must be resubmitted each week they are to be run.

***Watson Library***

Copy cards will not be sold after 5p.m. weekdays and on weekends starting April 10 at the Library.

Also, the Circulation division is having its annual recall on all faculty and staff books. It will run until April 30. Please bring your books and renew.

***Current Sauce***

All staff members should remember our weekly meeting at 5 p.m. Wednesday. We will discuss dates and times for our end-of-the-year party.

Also, remember to finish up your stories for the special drug and alcohol awareness issue. They are due Friday.

***Tourism/Business Trip***

The Tourism and business enterprise, a travel study course in Hawaii will be from July 25 to August 1. Receive three hours credit (Business Administration 4160). The cost is $1,430 plus tuition and food expense. A $100 reservation deposit is due today and the balance is due by June 9. Contact Dr. Stephen Elliot for further information at 357-5700.

***Rowing Team***

The Rowing team is sponsoring 'rent a rower,' a program in which individuals may rent a rowing team member for $5 per hour per rower to complete various odd jobs For more information, call 357-5921.


**Write a letter to the editor**




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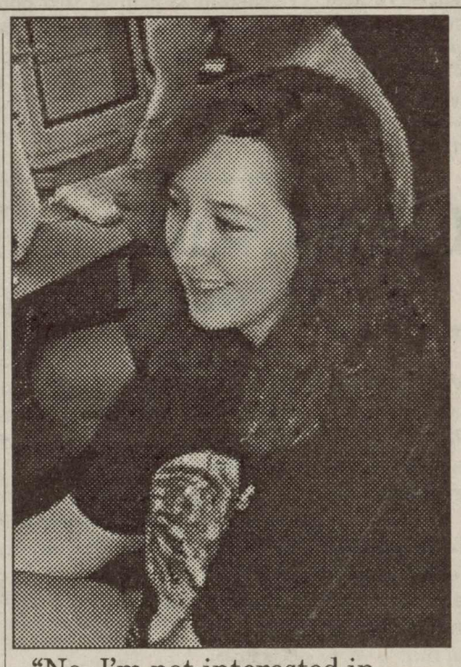

## Current Quotes

## Are you going to vote in SGA elections?



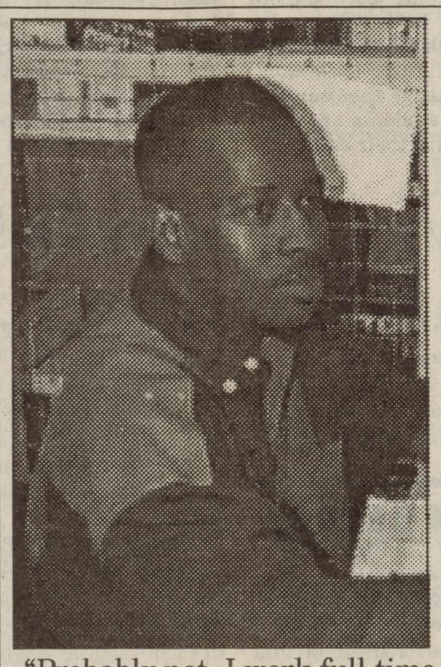
"I haven't thought about it. I'm in Nursing school and that's all I have time to think about."

***--Tabble Memoli***
***Jr, Nursing***



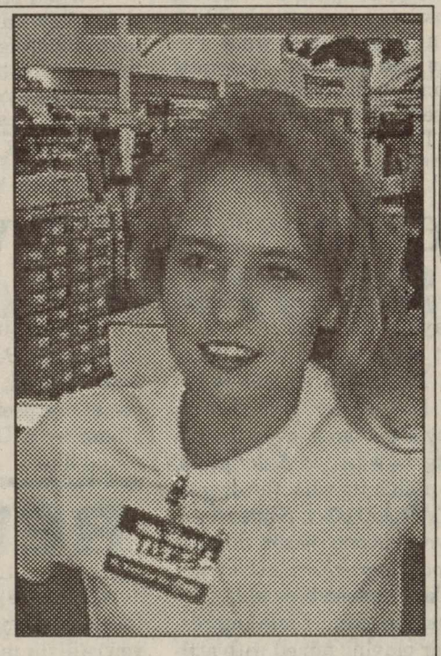
"No, I'm not interested in campus politics."

***--Angela DeHart***
***Sr., Math/Chemistry***



"Probably not. I work full time and don't have time to get off to vote."

***--Michael Banks***
***Jr., Computer Information Systems***



"I don't know anything about it. I do care. But I mainly go to school just to go to school and that's it."

***--Tara Dubois***
***Jr., Elementary Education***

**SGA MINUTES**

March 27, 1995
Meeting opened — 8:03

Roll called The following Senators were absent— Stephanie Gardner, Wil Veuleman, Ken Posey, and Micah Sims.

Minutes from last meeting were approved after corrections made.

REPORTS:

**Treasurer:** Freshman Connection T-shirts paper work completed. Rebecca Gill from the Horseshow Association is here to relate that several members may qualify for the National Event and will need money to help with cost. They have raised (# $2,000 and will need @$2,000 to $2,500 more. Will know definitely after this weekend. Club sports will meet Monday, 7:00pm, April 3rd.

**Vice-President:** Candidate pictures need to be taken this week at Hour Photo. Filings close Friday, March 31st at 12:00 noon. $10 with the filing sheet. Budget and platform sheet need to be turned in also by March 31 st, 12:00 noon. Sign up to work polls.

**President:** Last week's meeting was not very good. We need to be committed more to SGA. Meeting with University Columns Apartments Wednesday, March 29 to discuss student's satisfaction.

**Academic Affairs:** Sending a letter to Dr. Alost for support of teacher evaluation. External Affairs: Looking into brochures for SGA publicity as well as keychains, buttons, inkpens, etc. for Senior Day and general publicity.

**Student Affairs:** Meeting March 30, at 5:00pm. Going to help with financial aid forms in the office 5:00-7:00 Wednesdays in the SGA office.

**Club Sports:** Meeting 7:00pm on Monday, April 3rd.

**Environmental Awareness:** Meetings have been non-existent. Need suggestions on how to get students involved. If none, committee will fold.

**Free Speech Forum:** Buddy Roemer was successful. Meeting March 29 at 4:00pm.

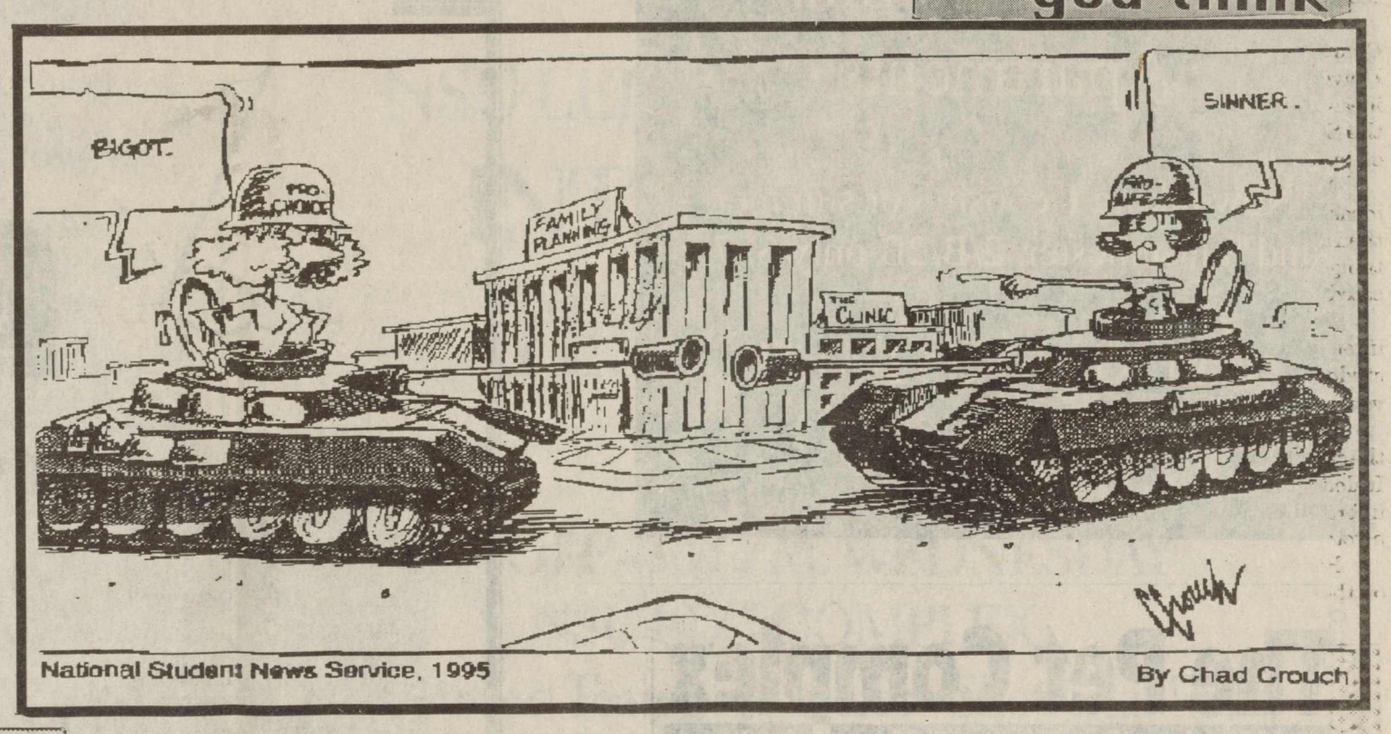
**Campus Improvements:** Resolution 95-13—campus needs more lighting and correct lighting for safety purposes. Working on phones for dorms. State contractors need to come and look where to put phones.

**Traffics Safety & Security:** Meeting April 5th, 4:00pm.

OLD BUSINESS:
None.

NEW BUSINESS:
Senator Bailes moved to accept Resolution 95-13. Passed unanimously.
Senator Schneyer moved to accept Resolution 95-14. Passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35.




National Student News Service, 1995 — By Chad Crouch

## Presidential candidate disappoints in debate

NAME WITHHELD BY REQUEST

I attended the SGA Presidential/Vice Presidential Debate for a little while on April 3 and was sorely disappointed in what I observed. I would first like to say that my disappointment does not lie with the Gavel Club, or its moderator, who did a superb job creating and delivering important questions to the candidates, but solely with the female presidential candidate herself.

I arrived at the debate excited that a female was running for president. And, being female myself, I sat smugly waiting for her to have the best plans and qualifications for the office. This never happened.

As her opponent listed project after project that he has helped accomplish for the recognition of the University and its students, her main concern of the night was daycare facilities for non-traditional students, which to some extent we already have. While she possessed a wonderful speaking ability, she avoided questions and failed to list any accomplishments she has already made to prove her leadership skills.

My point is this: I am positive that there are many intelligent females here at Northwestern who have great ideas and abilities that we could all benefit from. Why not become involved in activities to better yourselves, our school and essentially be role models for upcoming students? Even though this candidate failed to impress, I'm sure many of you can.

## Alumnus pleased with Demonaire reunion

G. GORDON YOUNG

On Friday night the 31st of March we attended the first ever Demonaire reunion held at the Prather Coliseum. What a wonderful evening full of great friends, great music, great memories and outstanding support from the University and students.

The Jazz ensemble, dancers, decorations and everpresent NSU atmosphere made the evening a unique event.

Special thanks to the Alumni, Music and Art departments, as well as Elise James of the Office of Alumni Affairs for a delightful experience that will be remembered forever.

We are truly blessed to have president Alost to maintain the wonderful DEMON spirit along with the invaluable support of Mayor Joe Sampite.

## Your View

*Letters*

Should between 300-500 words and must include the signature of the author, the author's classification, major and phone number for fact verification. They are due the Friday before the Tuesday publication date.

## Former KNWD GM not pleased with station's performance

SEAN SCHNEYER
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I have sat back long enough. I've finally decided to put in my two cents. As many of the readers may recall, I was general manager of KNWD during this past summer and for part of last fall. Most of the readers should also recall that I am no longer general manager. The particular article that finally made me speak out ran in the April 4 edition entitled "Radio station to move to Kyser Hall."

On e quote in particular set me off. The quote reads: "My job is not done here yet," he [Jeff Burkett] said. "One of the things I plan to do is set new standards of professionalism for people applying to be on staff."

My question to Jeff is, Why didn't you do that this year? Since I lost the general manager position I have watched and listened (when the station was actually on the air!) as the station has rapidly deteriorated. Jeff talks about professionalism but there hasn't been any sign of professionalism at the radio station since he took over.

You can ask just about any DJ that works there what rules they have to follow... You want to know what their unusual response is: "We can play anything we want. Besides, Jeff doesn't do anything to us if we don't listen to him." This kind of attitude has caused the radio station to lose the respect that it used to have. What bothers me even more is that he is running again for general manager and, unless things change, he'll probably have a very easy time getting it.

Some of you may be thinking, "Who cares, it's only a college radio station." Well, let me tell you some of the things that could happen as a direct result of Jeff Burkett's managerial skills. First of all, the radio station could lose its license or be denied renewal because of the amount of time the station has been off the air. Secondly, the amount of vulgar material could cost the station (and ultimately the University—which means you in the end) hundreds of thousands of dollars in fines. This is a direct result of the lack of respect towards Jeff and his personally selected management staff.

The radio station is supposed to be an outlet for all students. Yet, just this morning (4/6/95) I heard Misty Mayeux on the radio as a "guest DJ." For those of you who don't know, Misty is running for president of the SGA. Jeff is allowing the station to be used as an outlet for a political candidate.

Who knows what his motives are behind that decision, but it is a wrong decision. It is not the place of the radio station to endorse candidates on its airwaves. I think that it is only fair that equal time be given to Jason Meche, the other SGA presidential candidate.

I encourage all students to let there opinion be hear regarding the radio station. I know for a fact that I'm not the only person who is disgruntled. You can direct your comments to several people including Dr. Ron McBride (Head of Journalism and Telecommunications), Dean Fulton, Mr. Pierce (Chairman of the Media Board), Blair Dickens (Current SGA president) and Dr Alost. Please take a stand for YOUR radio station. Three dollars a semester of your student activity fee goes there, so technically you are paying the salaries of all the management staff!

# TERM PAPERS: *Computer technology changes traditional assignments*

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addiction in her social work class, Maye plugged in her terminal to a TV screen and faded text and graphics in and out while making her presentation. "I even played a CD in the CD-ROM drive for background music," she said. "It helped set the mood."

Wong undertook her first digital paper in a media and pop culture class.

"We compared the media coverage of the Vietnam war to the Gulf war," said Wong, who assembled the paper on a Macintosh computer. "So you would have some text about the comparisons, and then the reader clicks on an icon and sees the actual news clips you're writing about."

Despite the technical aspects of the project, Wong said it wasn't too difficult to put together.

"Everything was pretty self-explanatory," she said. "And, it's not like you're just cutting and pasting either. You can edit the clips however you want. You have a lot of control."

Tom Kushman, associate professor of sociology at Wellesley, helped Wong and other students learn the various ways computers can help strengthen their projects.

"Instead of writing a paper on Beavis and Butthead, and describing a scene, the students actually incorporate the clips that they're analyzing, so the clarity of their positions is enhanced," Kushman said. "It becomes a virtual term paper. It allows you to tap into images you usually don't have access to in an academic setting."

Using a grant from the National Science Foundation to help run the program, Kushman said that his computer lab is redefining the way papers are written.

"Before, whenever you asked students to analyze the way women are portrayed in the media, they would turn in cut-out ads from *Cosmopolitan*," Kushman said. "Now, they can use film clips and commercials. It allows me to see what students see and how they see it."

A group of 29 journalism students at the University of Georgia are creating a World Wide Web site for the 1996 Paralympic Games in Atlanta as part of a class project.

The Paralympics Home Page joins a home page for Georgia athletics, an Athens Virtual Venue Guide and an Athens Culture Guide as the latest student project overseen by associate professor Scott Shamp.

"This is a way to expand that knowledge and make it useful for everyone," Shamp said. "A few years ago, you might assign something like this to be published in print, just like a term paper. But with technology advancing so rapidly, you want to take advantage of all the resources you have."

Last year, University of Pennsylvania senior Nathan Gasser created a virtual map of the campus as part of a class assignment. Viewers could click on each campus building and get a quick tour or what was inside, as well as some historical background on the facility.

Gasser's work hardly went unnoticed. The city of Philadelphia asked Gasser to create a similar map of historical landmarks and important buildings in the city.

In some classes, computers have replaced the traditional textbook. A new program at Chicago-Kent College of Law in Chicago provides 32 first-year law students with color notebook computers with all the trimmings, replacing textbooks for three of the student's four classes. Loaded onto each computer is material on legal writing, articles on criminal law, case histories, professors' notes and more.

The program that provides these materials, *Folio*, highlights significant words, and if the pointer is clicked on any one of the highlighted words, more information is displayed.

So if students reading a case brief want to delve deeper into the meaning of "habeas corpus," they can click onto the word and go to another file that further explains topic.

Students also can add their own notes and comments to program materials.

Chicago-Kent expects to eliminate all first-year law texts by 1998. Virginia Tech's Miller said that ample employment options will be available to those graduates who are tuned in to the latest technology.

"When students learn the options they have now, and how to take advantage of them, it can only help them in the future," Miller said. "It really can change the course of whatever these students are planning on doing with their careers."

Victoria Stagg, a 1993 graduate of the University of Florida, uses her computer graphics presentation skills at A.T. Kearney, an international management consultant firm.

"Using computer graphics opens up a whole new door to presentations. You can do so much more," she said, adding that she has found most co-workers are mouse-shy when dealing with multimedia projects with clients.

But as students and professors rely more upon new technologies to communicate their ideas, could nifty computer visuals sometimes overshadow content?

Miller said that there may be a small price to pay for the move to multimedia projects.

"As universities begin to develop more online material, and students become empowered to control their own education, there's going to be some mandatory amount of time that the faculty must spend with the students," Miller said. "If we use the faculty efficiently, then the educational process would be all the better.

"Education may become the worst for it at first, but people will soon learn that this will provide them with the framework for which an education can take place."

Kushman agrees. "The technology really drives the students," he said. "The computer is such a radical tool because it allows students to use technology for creative functions. They can develop a lot of skills based on their knowledge and effort, and continually open up possibilities they may have never even imagined."

## ComputerCorner

JOHN ELLIS IV
*College Press Service*

# Homework goes high tech

Students who used to log hours in the library to do research are now logging onto computers.

As more and more campuses are phasing into the interactive age, that's impacting the way some students do their homework.

"It makes research for many students much easier," said Myers, a graduate history student at the University of California at Los Angeles. "I use a program designed by the Smithsonian to find historical visual images that I could otherwise only get by flying all over the place looking for rare books and collections."

Academic work that once took hours to complete in a library can take minutes in a computer lab.

Adrienne M. Petty, an American history student at Columbia University in New York, recently had an assignment where he had to search through old editions of the *Pennsylvania Gazette* on CD-ROM.

"It's a whole new way to use these old newspapers," Petty said. "It's all indexed, and you can punch in a word and find 1,000 entries. It's much less time consuming than doing it manually. You can even download information on disks. It's totally revolutionary."

And studying for many students means not only reviewing class notes, but traveling the Internet, too.

Both Myers and Petty are members of various discussion groups that trade information, tips and sources via e-mail systems located at various universities connected to the Internet.

If racing around the world on the information superhighway is not enough, professors are starting to download electronic texts onto students.

A computer program developed by McGraw-Hill lets professors customize printed text books by selecting the specific chapters and articles that a class will need.

"There's no waste involved with books that students only read a chapter or two from, and it makes text books cheaper," said John Bowen, an economics professor at Ripon College in Wisconsin. "The downside is that the books lose their marketability after the course is over."

# Critic has mixed feelings about new rock albums by G&R's Slash and *Better Than Ezra*

DEREK RABUCK
*Current Sauce*

**Slash's Snakepit — It's *Five O'clock Somewhere* (Geffen Records)**

Guns 'N' Roses lead guitarist's new solo album is full of tunes that are reminiscent of GNR's *Appetite for Destruction*. Songs such as *Beggars & Hangers-on, Doin' Fine, and Monkey Chow*, are not too bad for the ever silent member of GNR.

The only problem is that, even though the musicianship on *It's Five O'clock Somewhere* is pretty respectable, the songs lack the GNR appeal that's present whenever you here Slash playing with GNR.

Most of the songs are lacking lyrically. I believe that this is because of lead singer Eric Dover's voice. Dover's singing, even though screaming is a better description, does not match up with the overall feel of *It's Five O'clock Somewhere*. Dover's voice is one reason that *It's Five O'clock Somewhere* just doesn't appeal like I figured it would.

I was expecting some impressive guitar playing mixed with attitude-based lyrics. Instead, all I have heard are songs that fail to show the full potential of the musicians in Slash's Snakepit and of the album overall.

Even though GNR bassist Duff McKagan's *Believe in Me* solo album bombed, I feel like it was a better representation of what a solo album by a GNR member should sound like.

**REVIEW**

If you're expecting Guns 'N' Roses, buy one of their albums. If you're in the mood for an album that falls short of being even a GNR sound alike, then check out *It's Five O'clock Somewhere*. Otherwise stay clear of Slash's Snakepit, it'll leave you disappointed.

**Better Than Ezra-*Deluxe* (Electra Records)**

This is an album worthy of saying, "These guys are from Louisiana." Hailing from New Orleans, Better Than Ezra's new album *Deluxe* boasts some pretty impressive tunes.

Songs like, *In The Blood* and *Southern Girl*, are pretty respectable for a band that seems to switch between Nirvana-sounding guitar licks and soulful singing that is very appealing to the eardrums.

Better Than Ezra has managed to record an album that is very enjoyable overall. I am pretty impressed with *Deluxe*, especially since I do not care for too many Alternative bands.

Better Than Ezra is a very versatile band who not only can sing, but who can write some pretty damn catchy songs that will appeal to many different types of listeners.

Whether you like Alternative, Country or even Heavy Metal, give Better Than Ezra a try. *Deluxe* is a cool album that can be appreciated by today's music scene.

**NOTES:**

I've managed to hear a preview of the newest Skid Row album *Subhuman Race* and the first thing that comes to mind is this record is *loud*.

The songs on *Subhuman Race* make the heaviness of Skid Row's last album, *Slave to the Grind*, seem non-existent. New songs such as *My Enemy, Bonehead* and *Beat Yourself Blind*, still contain the very protruding voice of lead singer Sebastian Bach, but the music has been pushed up a few notches.

The new album contains rhythm lines that make Metallica seem wimpy. What's bad is that this new style seems to work out very well. I guess we'll see if it appeals to the music charts once *Subhuman Race* is released.

*Subhuman Race* should be coming out in the next couple of weeks.

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# RECRUITS: Van Horn seeks pitching

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an excellent fielder, was drafted by the New York Mets as a prep senior and by the Boston Red Sox last summer. Sullivan was drafted last summer by the Chicago White Sox.

"Metcalfe is a hard-throwing right-hander who has an above-average breaking pitch. He's pitched for some of the more competitive summer teams in Canada," Van Horn said. "Sullivan has a live fastball and outstanding curve. They're the top pitchers for a very good junior college program.

"Robinson is a glove. He can pick it. We've been told he's the best shortstop in the Midwest. Offensively, he's very quick and a good baserunner who likes to steal bases."

Catcher Juan Navarro is batting .426 with 13 doubles, three triples and 35 RBI for Arizona Western, ranked third in the junior college national poll. Navarro hit .390 as a freshman and can also play third base.

"He has a good arm and is a good defensive catcher. His offensive numbers speak for themselves," Van Horn said. "He's a pretty good athlete who will be able to play at third for us as well as behind the plate."

Outfielder Tyler Bain of Seward County (Ks.) is batting .504 this spring. He was drafted last summer by the New York Yankees and could also see some action at second or third base for the Demons, Van Horn said.

Infielder Fred Ortega of New Mexico Junior College is batting .405 with eight home runs and is ticketed for second base at Northwestern. Left-handed pitcher Kevin Needham of Northeastern Oklahoma A&M Junior College and right-hander Jason Lawson from Odessa (Texas) Community College round out the first batch of Demon signees.

"Lawson is a control pitcher who has good movement on his fastball and can really hit the spots," Van Horn said. "He's a polished pitcher who knows how to win. Needham can bring the heat. He has an outstanding fastball. Ortega is a line drive hitter who is going to help rev up our offense."

# SALE: Small markets purge rosters

*Continued from page 8*

that the Expos have handed the Braves the world championship this season. With Grissom hitting in front of such run producers as Fred McGriff and David Justice, and with the Braves' awesome pitching staff, Atlanta should have enough to clinch the NL East by the All-Star break.

Is it a shame that such teams like the Expos and Royals have to clean their rosters of All-Stars in order to survive?

No, it isn't. If these people had sat down last September or even before last season started and negotiated a labor settlement, the strike would never have gone down. The owners would not be crying about the $700 million-plus lost due to the work stoppage, nor would the players be complaining about plummeting salaries that the teams have been forced to offer free agents this spring. The mess that is major league baseball only has one culprit to blame--itself.

Will the large market clubs overwhelm the small market teams if something isn't done? I don't think so. The Expos proved that last season.

The entire problem begins and ends with money. And as some teams are finding out, Sam Walton knew a lot about making it.

## Joe Delaney Memorial golf tournament accepting entries

Entries are being accepted for the Sixth Annual Joe Delaney Memorial Golf Tournament, a four-person celebrity scramble to raise athletic scholarship revenue at Northwestern.

The Delaney Memorial, which has been filled to capacity the last five years, is set for Monday, May 1 at Northwood Golf and Country Club of Shreveport.

Entry fee is $100 and the tournament is limited to the first 120 paid entries.

Entry deadline is Wednesday, April 26.

For more information, contact Derek Morel at 318-357-5251, Bill Hargrove at 318-865-8481 or Carl Morrow at 318-742-9120.

# Demon offense shows improvement from first scrimmage as spring football continues

All-America candidate Clarence Matthews and Brian Jacquet each ran for a touchdown, and the Northwestern defense scored for the second straight scrimmage as the Demons staged their second major game-type practice of spring football drills April 5.

Matthews, playing only one 12-play series in the two-hour scrimmage, ran for 52 yards on seven carries, including a nine-yard touchdown scamper around left end. He had an apparent 33-yard touchdown run cut in half when officials ruled he stepped out-of-bounds and another 16-yard run wiped out by a holding penalty.

Jacquet, a sophomore bidding to be Matthews' primary backup, scored the first touchdown of the scrimmage on a three-yard run and was the top rusher with 68 yards on 13 carries.

Linebacker Josh King picked off third-team quarterback Ryan Verdin late in the scrimmage and scooted 14 yards for a touchdown.

A 23-yard field goal by Greg Mueller and three conversion kicks were the only other points in the 90-play session at Turpin Stadium.

Mueller, a junior college transfer, was just short on field goal attempts of 47 and 46 yards.

Along with Matthews and Jacquet, two more tailbacks were productive. Sophomore Anthony Williams ran for 62 yards on 10 carries and redshirt freshman Jermaine Jones had 51 yards on 13 totes.

Young quarterbacks Warren Patterson and Brandon Emanuel combined for 151 yards passing.

Emanuel, a sophomore who played in two varsity and four junior varsity games last season as a true freshman, finished six of 11 for 85 yards.

Patterson, a redshirt freshman, finished six of 17 for 66 yards with one interception.

"We got to look at a lot of guys and I think we'll find some players who have moved up into our two-deep because of the way they played today," Demon Head Coach Sam Goodwin said.

The offense was again without the services of senior quarterback Brad Laird, who is sitting out contact drills this spring due to surgery this offseason on his non-throwing wrist.

The defense played without three of its starting front four. Only senior Nathan Platt was able to participate.

Overall, 15 of the Demons' top 44 players missed the scrimmage with injuries.

"If you took the first third of the scrimmage, you'd say the defense played great. If you took the middle third, you'd think the offense played well. The last third was a comedy of errors," Goodwin said. "But overall, I saw some aggression and some improvement from [the last scrimmage, April 1], so I was pleased."

The practice capped the first portion of spring drills for Northwestern.

The Demons took spring break off before returning to the field Monday, pointing toward a major game-type scrimmage Saturday with the April 29 Joe Delaney Bowl culminating spring practice.


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# Blue-light Specials:

## All-Stars at bargain prices in major league garage sale



David Weaver

Sam Walton, founder of the retail giant Wal-Mart, always believed that the secret to a successful business in America was always having the lowest price. Always.

That philosophy has found its way into the floundering business of major league baseball, where some clubs have taken a Wal-Mart approach to the upcoming 1995 season.

The only way to save money is to get rid of those that make the most money. Always.

For the duration of the eight-month long players' strike which ended with a federal judge's injunction against the owners three weeks ago, the so-called small-market clubs of major league baseball were crying that the business of baseball was unfair. They could not compete against the larger markets of New York, Los Angeles or Atlanta because of a smaller amount of local revenue.

So, this relative handful of teams got together and decided to draw a line in the sand and stop the national pasttime in its tracks until their wishes of a liberalized revenue sharing program could be resolved.

They bellyached in a manner which would make Bill Clinton jealous.

But the strike ended, and nothing has been solved. So, these small-market clubs got together again and decided on another course of action.

They decided to hold a league-wide garage sale. A blue-light special. An old-time auction.

First, the Kansas City Royals, who are run, ironically, by Wal-Mart CEO David Glass, shipped talented center fielder Brian McRae to the Chicago Cubs. Then, the Royals sent last season's American League Cy Young Award winner David Cone to the Toronto Blue Jays. Cone was slated to make well over $4 million this season, and the Royals claimed they just couldn't afford his salary.

Then, the Montreal Expos took over. The Expos, who finished the debacle of a season in 1994 with the majors' best record, were facing salary arbitration with four All-Stars--pitchers Ken Hill and John Wetteland as well as outfielders Larry Walker and Marquis Grissom. The Expos, who have long led the charge of small market whiners, knew they could not win the arbitration cases and also knew that they could not pay the salaries that would result.

Walker was allowed to sign as a free agent with the Colorado Rockies. Hill was traded to the St. Louis Cardinals. Wetteland was shipped to the New York Yankees. Grissom was dealt to the Atlanta Braves.

It all happened in the space of 48 hours, and all the Expos received in return for their purge were outfielders Roberto Kelly and Tony Tarasco from Atlanta and a host of obscure minor leaguers, as well as millions in cash to help the Expos handle their remaining payroll.

Montreal GM Kevin Malone swore up and down that the Expos were not engaged in a "fire sale." He claimed that the Expos were confident in their vaunted farm system and that Montreal would again contend for the National League East title.

But he also conceded that, because he had to dump Grissom, recognized as perhaps the top leadoff hitter in baseball, on divisional rival Atlanta, the Braves probably were the overwhelming favorite to win the World Series this year if it is played.

The last couple of weeks have told the tale of the small market clubs trying to compete in a large market business. Malone is probably correct in assuming

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# Sweep of Bearkats vaults Demons into first place

HUNTSVILLE, Texas—Northwestern completed a three-game sweep of Southland Conference foe Sam Houston State with a 14-4 win in baseball action Saturday.

The Demons (28-9, 12-3 SLC) pounded out 17 hits off Bearkat pitching in the series finale, with first baseman Mark Burke leading the charge with three hits and three runs scored.

Pitcher Jon Black (7-1) went the distance for Northwestern, giving up nine hits and four earned runs to pick up his seventh win in eight decisions.

With the sweep, the Demons grabbed sole possession of first place in the Southland Conference.

"We came into the series thinking if we could win all three games it would put us in a position to challenge for the conference title," Demon Head Coach Dave Van Horn said. "It's up to us now and it won't be easy with Nicholls and Texas-San Antonio on the road in the next couple of weeks."

Sam Houston (17-18, 5-13) grabbed an early 3-1 lead on Jamie Branham's three-run home run in the first inning, but six fielding errors cost them three unearned runs and the game. Starting pitcher Jeff Albright took the loss for the Bearkats, dropping his record to 1-7 on the season.

Demon catcher Shawn McHugh went 2-for-3 with three runs batted in on the day and three runs scored. McHugh hit a two-run homer in the sixth inning to break a 4-4 tie and give the Demons the lead for good.

Center fielder Terry Joseph and shortstop Brad Duncan each had three RBI for Northwestern, with Joseph blasting his ninth homer of the season, a three-run shot in the ninth inning.

Third baseman Matt Donner collected three hits, driving in one run and scoring another for the Demons.

In Friday's doubleheader to open the series, the Demons received outstanding pitching from Zach Martin and Brian Dulin in winning the first two games of the three-game set with the Bearkats.

**"We came into the series thinking if we could win all three games it would put us in a position to challenge for the conference title"**

Dave Van Horn, Demon Head Coach



In the opener, Joseph led off the eleventh inning with his eighth round-tripper of the season to make a winner of Martin (7-3), who pitched 10 innings of one-run, eight-hit ball. Martin struck out eight batters in the 2-1 Northwestern win.

Sam Houston starter Stephen Prihoda was the tough-luck loser for the Bearkats, giving up only three hits in eleven innings to drop his record to 7-3 on the year.

Two of the Demons' three hits were home runs—Eric Gilmore's solo shot in the second inning and Joseph's game winner in the eleventh.

Northwestern won the nightcap 4-2 as Gilmore belted a two-run homer, his ninth, in the fourth inning that gave the Demons a 3-2 lead.

Dulin (7-1) pitched seven innings, giving up two runs on four hits and striking out five Bearkat batters.

Joseph was 2-for-4 in the second game with two runs batted in and Will Pearce was 2-for-3 with two runs scored.

Northwestern hosts Southwestern Louisiana tonight at 7 p.m.

# Pitching addressed in first recruiting class for Demons' Van Horn

Oakdale High School's Brent Trosclair headlined a group of 11 players, including six pitchers, signed Wednesday by Northwestern baseball coach Dave Van Horn and his staff.

Van Horn, the "Coach of the Year" in NCAA Division II last season at national champion Central Missouri, reaped immediate results in his first Northwestern recruiting class. The two-time defending Southland Conference champion Demons added eight junior college players, including three from Indian Hills (Iowa) Community College and a star catcher from the nation's No. 3-ranked junior college team, Arizona Western.

Van Horn and assistants Rob Childress, Don Thomas and Scott Marr had priorities in mind to improve the Demons, who currently stand at 28-9 this season.

"Obviously pitching is a priority for us and we've really helped ourselves there," Van Horn said. "We got a good mix with two talented high school guys and four experienced junior college pitchers, and two left-handers and four right-handers. Combined with our returning pitchers, this should give us a pretty good pitching staff next season. We want to bring in some more high school players and we're emphasizing in-state talent in that area. We got three good ones today."

Mansfield High School pitchers Chad Deas and Kris Sanders joined Trosclair, Oakdale's slugging shortstop, as the Demons' first prep recruits.

Trosclair (5-8, 175), the starting quarterback for the Oakdale football team, impressed Van Horn with his versatility.

"We think he'll hit well and steal bases," Van Horn said. "He could play several positions. He's an outstanding athlete with great speed and good power. He's the perfect player for our philosophy."

Deas (6-1, 175) is a right-handed pitcher with a 6-0 record, 0.68 earned run average and one save for the Wolverines. He has 73 strikeouts in 41 innings pitched and has allowed just eight hits and 12 walks. Deas was the starting quarterback for Mansfield's football team last fall.

"Chad is a real good athlete with a good fastball and a late-breaking curveball. He's shown a lot of talent and a lot of potential. He will pitch a lot as a freshman," Van Horn said.

Sanders (6-2, 190) is a left-hander who is 5-2 with one save and a 1.00 ERA at Mansfield this season. He has 68 strikeouts and only nine walks in 42 innings and has allowed just 17 hits.

"Kris is one of the top lefthanded pitchers in the state," Van Horn said. "He has a better-than-average fastball and can throw his curveball for a strike at any time. We're planning on him battling for a spot in the starting rotation as a freshman and he will pitch a lot in any case."

The junior college signees for the Demons include the trio of Indian Hills players: shortstop Joey Robinson and pitchers Rick Metcalfe and Tom Sullivan. Robinson,

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## 1995 Demon Baseball Signees

as of April 12

*Prep Signees (3)*

**Chad Deas,** RHP, Mansfield High School (Mansfield, La.)
*6-0, one save, 0.68 ERA, 73 strikeouts in 41 innings pitched; only eight hits allowed; only 12 walks; starting quarterback for Mansfield High last fall*

**Kris Sanders,** LHP, Mansfield High School (Mansfield, La.)
*5-2, one save, 1.00 ERA, 68 strikouts in 42 innings pitched, only 17 hits allowed, only nine walks*

**Brent Trosclair,** SS, Oakdale High School (Oakdale, La.)
*standout shortstop, could earn a starting spot next season at several positions; the "perfect player for our philosophy," according to Demon Coach Dave Van Horn.*

*Junior College Signees (8)*

**Tyler Bain,** OF, Seward County (Ks.) Community College
*batting .504, drafted in 1994 by New York Yankees; can also play second or third base*

**Jason Lawson,** RHP, Odessa (Texas) Junior College
*7-3, 2.75 ERA, 57 innings pitched, 49 strikeouts, only 11 walks*

**Rick Metcalfe,** RHP, Indian Hills (Iowa) Community College
*3-0, 3.00 ERA*

**Juan Navarro,** C, Arizona Western Junior College
*batting .426, 13 doubles, 3 triples, 35 RBI for nation's third-ranked juco team; hit .390 as a freshman; can also play third base*

**Kevin Needham,** LHP, Northeastern Oklahoma A&M Junior College
*has outstanding fastball*

**Fred Ortega,** IF, New Mexico Junior College
*batting .405 with eight home runs; will probably play second base*

**Joey Robinson,** SS, Indian Hill (Iowa) Community College
*outstanding fielder who is batting .290; drafted as prep senior by New York Mets; drafted in 1994 by Boston Red Sox*

**Tom Sullivan,** RHP, Indian Hills (Iowa) Community College
*3-0, 4.38 ERA, drafted in 1994 by Chicago White Sox*

# Garner, Simpson, Shaw nab All-Louisiana honors

Northwestern's Joskeen Garner, Angela Simpson and Stephanie Shaw have been named to the Louisiana Sports Writers Association All-Louisiana Team in voting by sportswriters and sports information directors from across the state.

Garner, LSWA's Co-Player of the Year last season, received four votes for the award this season. LSU's Cornelia Garden was named Player of the Year, receiving 13 votes, and Vickie Johnson of Louisiana Tech earned 10 votes.

Joining Garner on the first-team was Gayden, Johnson, Sha Hopson of Grambling and New Orleans' Kayone Hankins.

The second team consisted of Louisiana Tech's Debra Williams and Racquel Spurlock, Barbara Farris of Tulane, McNeese's Robin Daniels and Rena Faust of Southeastern Louisiana.

Simpson topped the third team voting and was joined by Tulane's Kim Bryant, Latisha Small of Louisiana College, Northeast Louisiana's Scharlotte Jordan and Jody Davis of New Orleans.

Shaw earned honorable mention honors for the second consecutive year.

Chris Blackwell of McNeese was named Newcomer of the Year, Farris was named Freshman of the Year and Tulane's Lisa Stockton was named Coach of the Year.

Louisiana Tech led all schools by placing four players on the All-Louisiana Team. Northwestern, New Orleans and Tulane each had three players on the team. McNeese, Northeast Louisiana, LSU and Southeastern Louisiana placed two each and Nicholls State and Xavier had one player on the team.

Garner, a junior from Florien, averaged 14.5 points, 12.5 rebounds, 4.5 assists, 3.4 steals and 1.8 blocks per game. She was named the Southland Conference Player of the Year and was a first-team All-SLC selection for the third straight year.

A native of Shreveport, Simpson averaged 16.9 points, 4.1 rebounds, 2.9 assists and 2.2 steals per contest. She led the Lady Demons in scoring for the second straight year and earned second-team All-SLC honors.

Shaw, a junior point guard from Mansfield, averaged 13.4 points, 4.0 rebounds, 5.3 assists and 2.1 steals per game. Shaw, the Lady Demons' team captain, was a second-team All-SLC pick.

**1995 ALL-LOUISIANA WOMEN'S BASKETBALL TEAM**
***selected by the Louisiana Sportswriters Association***

*FIRST TEAM*
**Cornelia Green, Louisiana State**
**Vickie Johnson, Louisiana Tech**
**Joskeen Garner, Northwestern**
**Sha Hopkins, Grambling**
**Kayone Hankins, New Orleans**

*SECOND TEAM*
**Debra Williams, Louisiana Tech**
**Racquel Spurlock, Louisiana Tech**
**Barbara Farris, Tulane**
**Robin Daniels, McNeese State**
**Rena Faust, Southeastern Louisiana**

*THIRD TEAM*
**Angela Simpson, Northwestern**
**Kim Bryant, Tulane**
**Latisha Small, Louisiana College**
**Scharlotte Jordan, Northeast**
**Jody Davis, New Orleans**

# Lady Demons ink All-State post from Ringgold

Class A All-State forward Louise Chase of Ringgold High School signed a national letter-of-intent Wednesday to play basketball for the Southland Conference champion Lady Demons next season.

Lady Demon Head Coach James Smith hopes to sign at least three more players in the next couple of weeks.

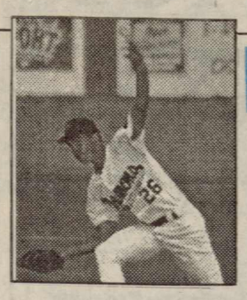
Chase, a 6-0 forward, averaged 31.5 points per game this year for Ringgold, earning Class A All-State second-team honors. Ringgold posted a 19-10 record, losing in the first round of the playoffs.

"Louise is one of the top five players in the state and we're very excited about her coming to Northwestern," Smith said. "She is a great scorer and rebounder and will be a player who can keep us at this level."

Chase averaged 34.7 points per game as a junior, leading Ringgold to a 19-9 record. She was also state champion in the long and triple jumps as a junior.

In 98 career games, Chase scored 2,993 points, good for a 30.5 average. Chase will play for the West team in the Louisiana All-Star games this summer.

Northwestern finished this season with a second-place finish in the National Women's Invitational Tournament after posting a school record-tying 25-7 record and first Southland Conference regular season championship.



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Offense erupts in series finale Sunday with Nicholls State



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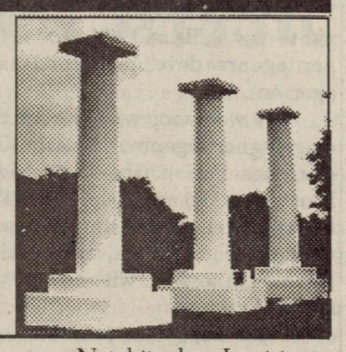
Northwestern theater to perform *Romeo and Juliet*



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Theft of newspaper pages is violation of trust, journalistic ethics

# CurrentSauce



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## Election results meet resistance

JANE BALDWIN
*Current Sauce*

The Student Government Association Election Committee voted yesterday that president-elect Misty Mayeux violated a part the the election code. However, her violation of the code will not affect her status, and she will be sworn into office next Monday.

The committee met after two letters from students were filed Friday contesting the election on grounds that Mayeux violated section 3.1.1 of the code.

According to Madelyn Boudreaux, who wrote one of the letters, Mayeux violated section 3.1.1 which states, "There will be no campaigning within a 50 foot radius of any polling place." Boudreaux said in her letter to Jacinda Gwinn, SGA vice president, and Fred Fulton, vice-president of student affairs, that at 12:15 p.m. on April 20 "Presidential candidate Misty Mayeux was at the election table, wearing her purple SGA pin which prominently displays her name and chatting happily with people as they signed the yellow voting pad and voted.



Mayeux

After the committee voted that Mayeux violated section 3.1.1 5-2, the committee voted that having a reselection would interfere with the SGA's integrity. The committee voted to have Mayeux write a letter stating what happened and to apologize for violating the election codes. The letter will be printed in the *Current Sauce* in the fall.

"I feel that her presence at the table coupled with her wearing of her pin constitutes a violation of the above stated by-law," she said.

According to a statement read by Mayeux at the meeting, the election was fair and that she didn't campaign while at the polling table. "At the time I was voting I spoke to four people...I had no conversation about my campaign nor did I attempt to persuade anyone as to which way they should have been voting."

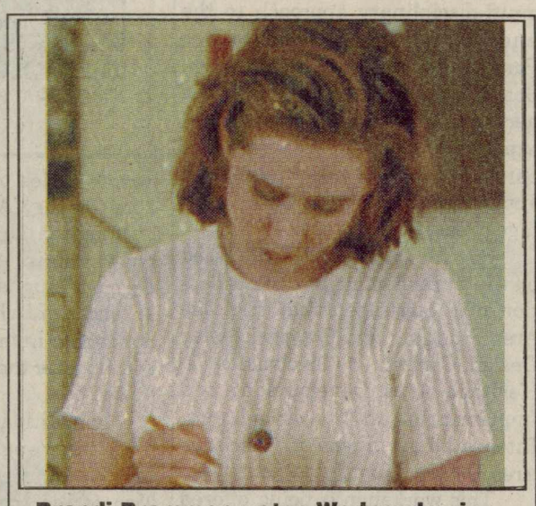
Sean Schneyer, a member of the election committee, said because of the difference of only 31 votes in the presidential election, Mayeux's presence at the polls could have influenced students to vote in her behalf. "They can be influenced just by her being there," Schneyer said.

"The question is was she there long enough to influence 16 voters," Gwinn said.

"The election could have been easily influenced by her presence because the election was close," Jaime Cheramie, a member of the election committee, said. "It was unfair."

In the SGA by-laws, campaigning is not clearly defined. The election committee agreed that when Mayeux wore a name tag at the polling table could not be defined as campaigning. "I believe it wasn't defined [campaigning] and that way it was kind of hard for any candidate that was in the election to know what was right and wrong," Mayeux said. "As a future reference that [defining election by-laws] will be a main concern of the student government to define everything for

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**Brandi Brammer votes Wednesday in the Student Union** PHOTO BY JONATHAN WALLACE

## World Report

### CAMPUS

**WALLACE HONORED AT WRITERS' CONFERENCE:** Dr. Ray Wallace, director of Scholars' College, was recently honored at the Conference on College Composition and Communications, the national conference for teachers and scholars of writing instruction, for his various published works. Wallace's book, *Intersections: Theory and Practice in the Writing Center* was awarded book-of-the-year honors by the National Writing Centers Association, an affiliate group of the National Council of Teachers in English.

**WORKS BY ART FACULTY NOW ON DISPLAY:** Various works by the art faculty will be on display in the Orville Hanchey Art Gallery beginning Monday and will be on display until May 12. **Page 2.**

**CLEO FIELDS TO SPEAK WEDNESDAY:** Gubernatorial candidate Cleo Fields will hold a town meeting at 1 p.m. in the Ballroom Wednesday. This is the third gubernatorial candidate to speak at Northwestern. The event is sponsored by the Student Government Association.

### CITY

**WEEKEND WEATHER CAUSES FLOODS AND TORNADOES:** High winds and rain left many residents with flooded houses and streets in Natchitoches. Tornadoes were also spotted throughout the parish.

### STATE

**CONGRESS MAY CUT STUDENT AID PROGRAMS:** Congress may be proposing to cut student aid programs by $20 billion over the next five years. Such student aid programs as the Stafford loan, federal work-study program, the federal supplemental educational opportunity grant and the Perkins loan are in danger having their funding cut, according to E.R. Winzer, president of the Southwest Association of Student Financial Administrators and director of financial aid at Southeastern Louisiana University.

### NATION

**NY STATE STUDENTS ARRESTED FOR NET THEFT:** Four New York students have been arrested for lifting credit card numbers off the Internet and using them to purchase thousands of dollars in merchandise, which was later sold to others for cash. Nassau County police arrested 19-year-old Clarence Kiu, a computer science major at the State University of New York at Stony Brook, for his part in leading the operation.

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## Legal, ethics questions plague station

JEFF GUIN AND JANE BALDWIN
*Current Sauce*

While it is traditional at this time of year for the candidates in student government elections to be asked questions about ethics, Northwestern's radio station, KNWD, became the subject of some ethical questions as well last week—many of them related to the election.



Burkett

The controversy began last Tuesday morning after Jeff Burkett, general manager of the station, and Tait Martin, one of the "Cajun Duo" disk jockeys, had SGA presidential candidate Misty Mayeux as a guest on the morning show they were hosting. This was the second time Mayeux had been on the air at KNWD.

Mayeux's rival for the position, Jason Meche, was not asked to appear on the station thus raising questions about so-called 'equal time' violations.

According to Sean Schneyer, former general manager of the station, having one presidential candidate on without the other being represented presents some legal questions, but the ethical violations are even more distinct.

"As with other media organizations, the radio station should handle situations from an objective perspective," Schneyer said. "Although most of what goes on at the radio station may not be 'illegal' it can still be wrong. I feel that violating this unwritten code is worse than violating any written laws because it shows an intrinsic character flaw on the participant's part."

According to Burkett, there is no legal question whatsoever. "The station broke no laws" he said. He said a part of the *NAB Legal Guide to Broadcast Law and Regulations* which deals with reasonable access and equal time is specifically applicable to this situation. It says "a broadcaster allowing a legally-qualified candidate for public office to 'use' a station's facilities must afford equal opportunities to all other opposing legally-qualified candidates for that office, provided a request for equal opportunities is made within seven days of the first prior use."

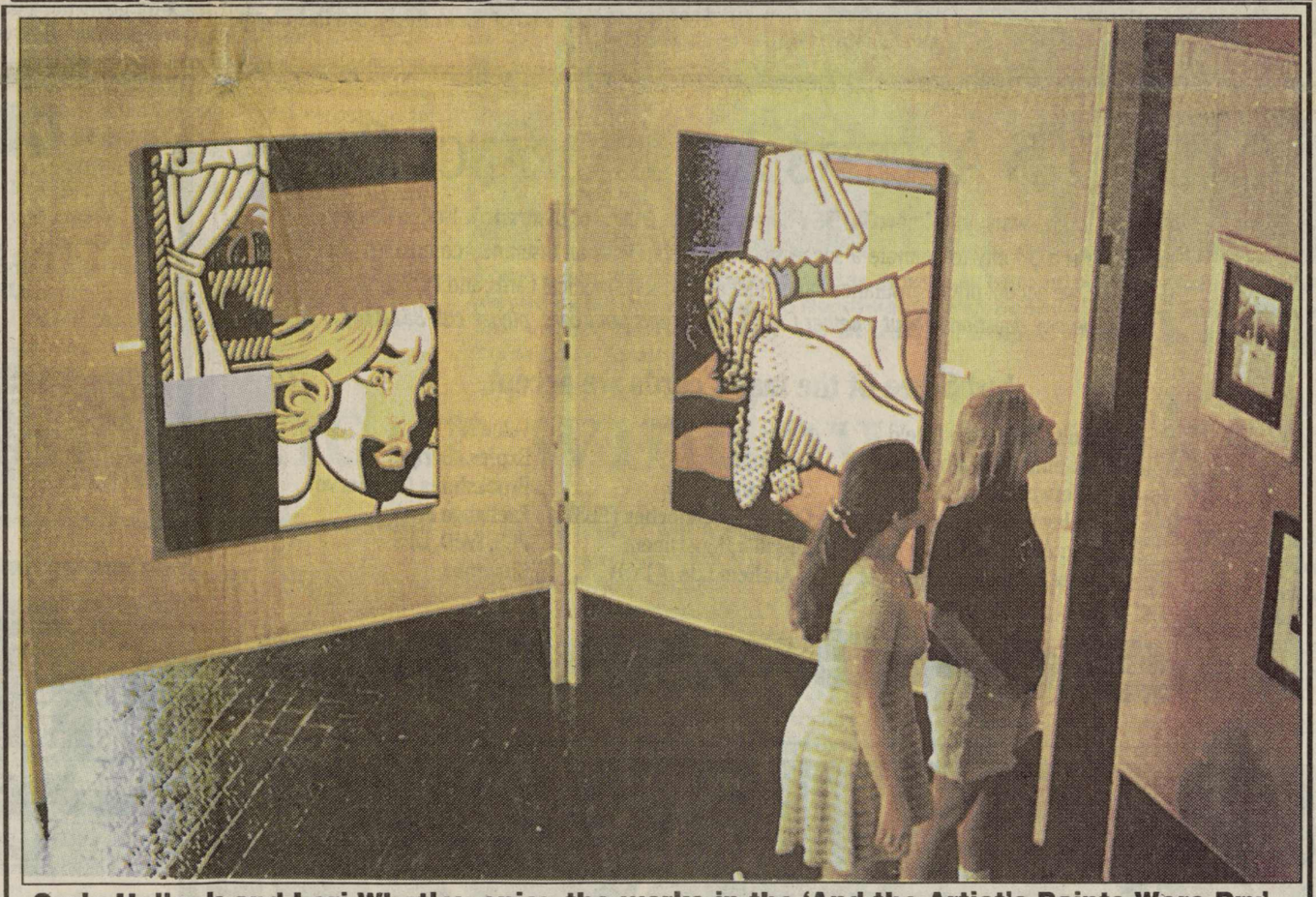
According to Burkett, since Jason Meche, the other candidate for SGA president, made no such request, the station was legally justified in its coverage of the election.

Another question facing Burkett dealt with the apparent theft of copies of the Current Opinion and Campus Forum pages of the April 18 edition of the *Current Sauce* from the newspaper's layout room. The pages, which contained election coverage and an endorsement of Meche, were taken without the knowledge of the staff and were read on the air several hours before the paper was printed and distributed.

Mayeux was allowed to comment on the paper's endorsement and received an endorsement of her own from KNWD. According to Burkett, Martin made the endorsement, which does not reflect the opinion of the station as a whole. Burkett also said he had "no idea" about who took the pages or

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## Cover Art



**Carla Hollock and Lori Whatley enjoy the works in the 'And the Artist's Paints Were Dry' exhibit at the Orville Hanchey Art Gallery last week.** PHOTO BY JONATHAN WALLACE

## Adjutant general for Louisiana to speak at commencement

### Maj. General Ansel Stroud responsible for over 14,000 soliders in Louisiana

Maj. General Ansel M Stroud, Jr., the Adjutant General for Louisiana will be the featured speaker at Northwestern's 110th spring commencement exercises at 7 p.m. Friday, May 12 in Prather Coliseum.

Stroud is responsible for the deployment and coordination of programs, policies and plans affecting the more than 14,000 members of the Louisiana Army and Air National Guard. He is also the Director of the Louisiana Office of Emergency Preparedness.

After enlisting in the Army in April of 1944, Stroud was commissioned a second lieutenant following completion of Officer Candidate School in 1946. After serving on active duty, he joined the Louisiana National Guard in June of 1947.



Stroud

During his service with the Louisiana National Guard, he has been a reconnaissance officer, company commander, regimental supply officer, aide to the commanding general of 39th Infantry Division, and battalion commander.

Stroud was assigned to his present position as Adjutant General in October 1980. He was promoted to the rank of Major General on May 10, 1981, with federal recognition on the same date.

Stroud's military decorations and awards include the Distinguished Service Medal, the Legion of Merit with two Oak Leaf Clusters, the Meritorious Service Medal with one Oak Leaf Cluster, the Army Commendation Medal, the Air Force Commendation Medal, the Good Conduct Medal, the American Campaign Medal and the World War II Victory Medal.

In 1977, Stroud was selected to direct a Department of the Army study on full-time training and administration for the Guard and Reserve.

This was known as the "Stroud Study" and was accepted by the Department of the Army as a guideline for requirements of the National Guard and Army Reserve for full-time manning programs. This study was the basis for launching the AGR program.

In addition to his duties as the Adjutant General, Stroud is active with the Boy Scouts of America and is a recepient of the Silver Beaver Award and the Distinguished Eagle Scout Award.

Stroud was born in Shreveport. He graduated from Belcher High School, attended Baylor University and Texas A & M.

He received his Bachelor of Science Degree from the University of the State of New York. His military education includes the Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kan. and the Army War College at Carlisle Barracks in Carlisle, Pa.

# News Briefs



## NSU site for heritage conference

The Department of Social Sciences and the National Center for Preservation Technology and Training are co-sponsoring a heritage area workshop in Natchitoches June 12-16. The workshop will offer participants new skills and perspectives in heritage area development and management.

The workshop will present the on-going heritage area project in Natchitoches Parish (the Cane River Heritage Area) as a case study. The heritage area offers a unique opportunity for hands-on, interactive learning in sessions with a variety of cultural groups.

Field trips and presentations will demonstrate the application of an integrated, multi-cultural and multi-disciplinary approach to the understanding of Natchitoches Parish's Native-American, French, Spanish, African, Anglo and Creole heritages. The sessions and field experiences are designed to instruct participants in methods and themes applicable to other potential heritage areas.

Specific themes to be addressed by the workshop include Identification of a Heritage Area, Heritage Area Planning and Comprehensive Design, Community Involvement in Heritage Area Development and Implementing an Interdisciplinary, Integrated Approach in Heritage Area Development.

This workshop is being offered for a fee of $25 per participant, with on-campus housing provided for a small additional charge. For more information, contact Susan E. Dollar, Department of Social Sciences at 357-5941.

## Distinguished writer to speak

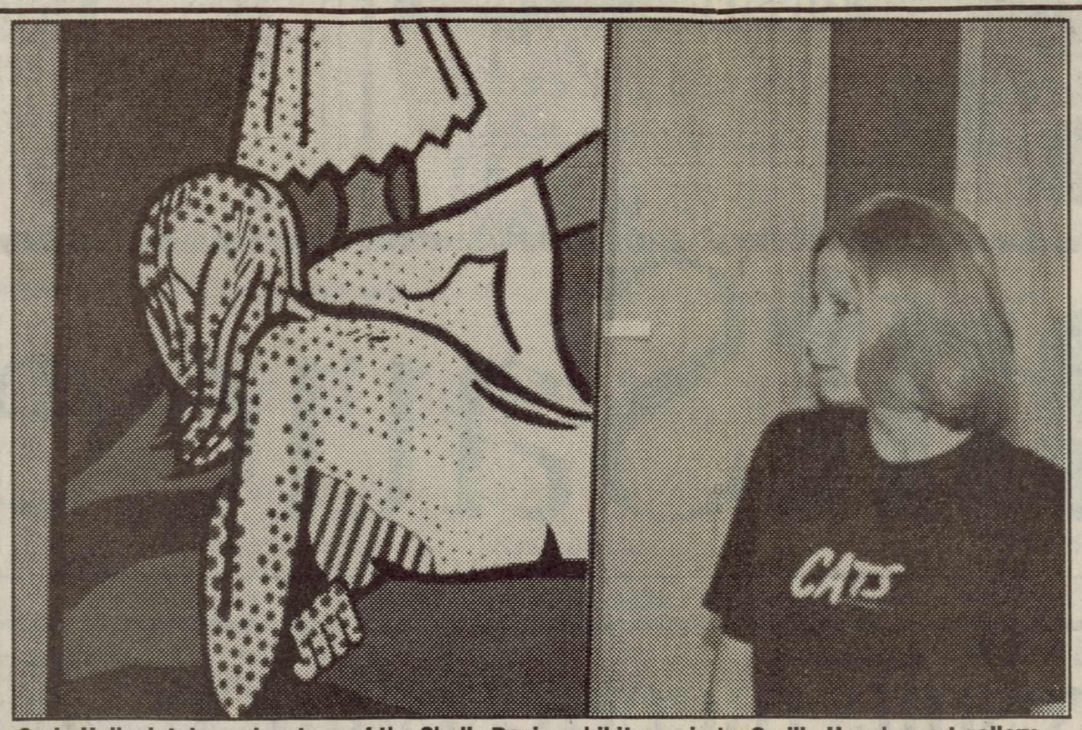
Writer Robert Vaughan, a prolific award-winning author of historical novels, will lecture at Northwestern at 11 a.m. Thursday in Rm. 142 of Kyser Hall.

Vaughan is the author of *The American Chronicles*, a decade-by-decade series of novels about the 20th Century. Another recent book by Vaughan, *Legacy*, is a fact-based novel reminiscent of *Roots*. In *Legacy*, Vaughan tells the story of an ancestor, who as a 14-year old boy settled in the Plymouth Colony shortly after the arrival of the Mayflower.

In addition to the books under his name, Vaughan has written extensively under various pen names. Two of his romance novels were number one on the New York Times and Publishers' Weekly Best-seller list.

Vaughan was a career army officer with tours in Germany and Korea in addition to his Vietnam service. In Vietnam, he was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Bronze Star, the Air Medal with V for Valor, the Purple Heart, the Army Commendation Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal and the Vietnamese Cross of Gallentry. While in Germany, he was the historical officer for Custer's unit, the Seventh Calvary, which led to a fascination with the calvary and Custer. While serving stateside, he was an instructor, technical writer and Chief of the Aviation Maintenance Officers' Course at Fort Eustace, Va.

Vaughan has also worked as a television writer, talk-show host, cooking show host, newspaper owner and barbecue chef. He and his wife Ruth live in Sikeston, Mo. They have four children.



Carla Hollock takes advantage of the Shelly Davis exhibit now in he Orville Hanchey art gallery.

## Henderson appointed to NCATE board

Dr. Martha Henderson, automations coordinator in Watson Library, has been appointed to National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education Unit Accreditation Board.

NCATE determines the accreditation status of professional education units at colleges and universities, develops standards and procedures for accreditation and oversees site visits to institutions. The group also oversees the training of the Board of Examiners, the data bank and the preconditions application.

Henderson headed a NCATE assessment team that recently visited the University of Maine at Farmington.

## Sen. Breaux speaks on upcoming governor elections

U.S. Sen. John Breaux isn't running for re-election, but the state's junior senator was in top campaign form Wednesday when he visited with a group of more than 200 local residents during a reception at the home of President Robert Alost.

Breaux joked with the crowd that he was "probably the only statewide elected official who isn't on the ballot this year."

He said this fall's elections would be among the most hotly contested in many years because there will be no incumbent in the governor's race and a number of candidates seeking the open lieutenant governor's and treasurer's post. Breaux also commented on U.S. Sen. J. Bennett Johnston's possible run for governor.

"I'm running about two days behind Bennett as I travel around the state and people are asking me if he's running and about the race for his seat," said Breaux with a laugh. "I don't know if he (Johnston) is running for governor. I figure about 25 people will run for governor and 24 of them will turn around and run for the Senate."

Breaux said he agreed with many of the items developed by House Republicans in their Contract with America.

"I agree that we should stop unfunded mandates which force state and local governments to pay for programs with providing funding," said Breaux.

" I also support the bill which focred Congress to abide by the laws that they pass," he said. "That is something we should have done long ago."

Breaux was also strongly in favor of giving the president a line-item veto which would enable a president to veto specific items in a piece of legislation without killing the entire bill.

"A line-item veto would let a president get at a lot of the pork in an appropriations bill," said Breaux. "It would keep things like a Lawrence Welk Commemorative Area in North Dakota from being placed in a defense bill. I feel like if the people of North Dakota want this they should pay for it, not the people of Louisiana."

## Art faculty to exhibit work

The art faculty will hold its annual Faculty Art Exhibition begining Monday and ending May 12 in the Orville Hanchey Art Gallery.

The exhibition will contain works by faculty members Bill Bryant, Brooks DeFee, Clyde Downs, Rivers Murphy and Michael Yankowski.

There is no admission charge. The Hanchey Gallery is open weekdays from 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.


## The Current Sauce

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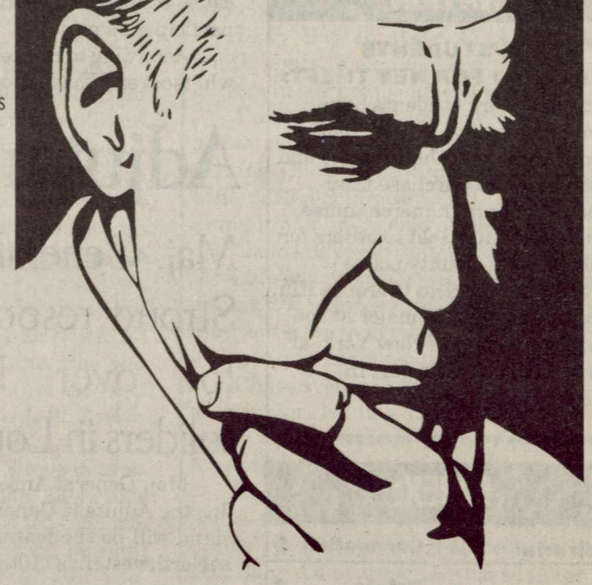
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# Northwestern theater to perform Shakespeare classic

Northwestern's theater department is preparing to present one of the most popular plays in the English language in a big way when it presents Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet* April 27-30 in the A.A. Fredericks Auditorium.

According to Northwestern artistic director Dr. Jack Wann, Shakespearian plays are like painting with bigger, broader strokes on a large canvas.

This production will be bold. It includes a set with towers that are 27 feet tall, a cast of 40, sword fighting and 200 costumes.

"This is by far the most ambitious undertaking that the theater department has addressed," Wann, director for *Romeo and Juliet,* said. "The elements of this production are very challenging because it not only involves a massive set, a large cast and elaborate costumes but it also requires skillful stage combat, period dancing and skillful handling of Shakespearian language.

"Any one of these would be a major challenge, but all of them combined makes for an extremely ambitious undertaking."

Wann chose *Romeo and Juliet* partially because of its familiarity and in his opinion it is the "epitome of the love story or love against odds as it is viewed by the younger generation."

"The passions are the key to this play," Wann said. "It not only conveys the passions of love but also the passions of hatred and family feuds. Everything is hot from the weather to the tempers of the families to the blood of the young lovers. Passion is the center of the metaphors used to create this play."

Typically *Romeo and Juliet* is considered a periodically historic play. However, Wann is producing this rendition with a different approach. "I'm taking a romantic approach that is not necessarily historically accurate," Wann said. "I want to go beyond the history and create the essence of what a romantic love story is."

Two examples of this alternative approach will be illustrated in the choreography and the costumes.

"We are experimenting with the choreography and the costumes will not necessarily be of that period," Wann said. "The choreography will be romantic, lyrical and graceful. It will simply project the overall concept of the play without necessarily having to be Verona in the 1400s, so that we have something greater than the period.

"We are taking the essence of the play to suit our cast and what the audience would envision," Wann said.

For more information about *Romeo and Juliet*, contact the Box Office at 357-5819. Due to the high number of special groups attending, those interested should get tickets early.

# O, Romeo, Romeo. . .

Looking red-eyed and tousled-haired, Sammy Brewster is in extreme need of sleep after working all night and going to class all morning. However, just mention the name Romeo and Brewster is wide awake, thinking of his upcoming role in Northwestern's production of *Romeo and Juliet* which runs April 27-30 in the A.A. Fredericks Fine Arts Building.

Brewster has to be one of the busiest young men in the theater department. He is rehearsing nightly for the play, trying to get certified in stage combat, going to class all day and working nights to put himself through college. But, Brewster's not complaining; he's just pursuing his interests.

"When I was younger, I would go out in the back yard and replay my favorite scenes from TV and books," Brewster said. "But I never thought much about acting as a career. I always found it interesting, it was just never made available to me."

Born and raised in Farmerville, La., Brewster never dreamed that an acting career was possible, but all that changed when he went to college at Northeast Louisiana University.

"I went to Northeast and took an acting class as an elective," Brewster said. "I fell in love with it. I'm demented and this is therapy. I can't imagine doing anything else."

Upon the advice from an instructor, Brewster transferred to Northwestern's theater department in order to broaden his horizons.

"My instructor said, 'No matter how much I enjoy working with you, you need to go to Northwestern,'" Brewster said. "'Northwestern will get you acting jobs and teach you what you need to know.' So here I am."

> "Truthfully, Romeo is perceived as a love-sick wimp. Traditionally, he's played as being this depressed character who has suffered lost love. I'm trying to make him a little more lively."
>
> **Sammy Brewster**

Brewster has played a variety of characters since he arrived at Northwestern. He was Charlie in *The Foreigner*, Rev. Paris in *The Crucible* and Hastings in She *Stoops to Conquer*. With the exception of Romeo, thus far Charlie has been his favorite.

"I prefer comedy over drama because I love the immediate reaction," Brewster said. "With comedy, if it's good, they (the audience) laugh and you know they liked it. Drama is retrospective. You have to check them when they are leaving for a tear or an emotional reaction."

Although he enjoys comedy more, Brewster feels that the part of Romeo "will definitely be the most challenging character thus far." Along with Dr. Jack Wann, *Romeo and Juliet* director, Brewster wants to take his character in a new direction.

"Truthfully, Romeo is perceived as a love-sick wimp," Brewster said. "Traditionally, he's played as being this depressed character who has suffered lost love. I'm trying to make him a little more lively.

"I don't want his depression to show through quite as much especially when he's with his friends," Brewster said. "I want him to be able to joke, have fun and be more lively. I think that all this will build up to what happens in the end."

A lot of what makes this character so challenging has to do with the technical side of the play as well as the acting. Brewster has had to learn period dancing and sword fighting, and master Shakespearian language.

"It can be difficult at times especially when you're trying learn a sequence to achieve stage combat certification and two completely different fight scenes for the play," Brewster said. "And I still have to act, but Scott Thrasher (fight choreographer) is doing a good job. I'm in love with my last fight scene. I wish I could sit out in the audience and watch it."

"There is a certain amount of talent involved in what I do, but mostly it's a lot of hard work," Brewster said. "We [actors] work more than most people think.

"We have to research our characters, write out intentions, and decide every single moment who we are and what were trying to accomplish while we're on that stage."

Brewster has another year left of college and right now he's leaving all his options open.

"I would like to do film work just because I've never done it before and it would be a different medium," Brewster said. "But I do love the stage and I feed on the immediate reaction of the audience."



**Romeo, played by Sammy Brewster, promises heaven and the stars for Juliet, played by Melissa Randall, in Northwestern's upcoming production of *Romeo and Juliet*. The show will run at 7:30 p.m. April 27 through 30 in A. A. Fredericks Auditorium.**

# What light through yonder window breaks?

Melissa Randall remembers staring blankly at the call board and beginning to shake. She couldn't believe that her name was beside the role of Juliet in Northwestern's upcoming production of *Romeo and Juliet* which runs April 27-30. For Randall, it's a dream come true.

"I've never felt like that before now," Randall said. "The feeling of seeing my name up there next to the role of Juliet was so wonderful. With all the competition, I never dreamed I would get the role. This is my first lead character and for it to be Juliet makes it that much better.

"I worked hard on my audition but the competition is the hard part especially for the female roles," Randall said. "There are so many actress in the department and so few female roles. For example, *Romeo and Juliet* has at least a dozen male speaking parts and only four female."

Once rehearsals began, Randall realized that there was more to Juliet than she thought. "When I read Shakespeare in high school, Juliet was just a girl in love with Romeo," Randall said. "I never realized that she was so multi-faceted. She's a very complex character.

> "Juliet is young and sweet in the beginning, happy and loving with Romeo, stubborn and snobbish when she doesn't get her way, and mature and self-sacrificing by the end of the play."
>
> **Melissa Randall**

"Juliet is young and sweet in the beginning, happy and loving with Romeo, stubborn and snobbish when she doesn't get her way, and mature and self-sacrificing by the end of the play. All that and she's only 14."

Although this is her first lead role, Randall is no stranger to Northwestern's stage. She has played a protean in *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum*, Sara Good in *The Crucible*, the maid in *She Stoops to Conquer* and most recently Aunt Cookie Quack in *Ecstasy: A Catastrophe in Two Scenes.*

"I like comedy and I enjoy playing character roles in a supporting cast," Randall said. "This is my chance to play a real person. *In A Funny Thing*, I was a big, fat man. In *The Crucible*, I was a crazy, drunk old lady. And most recently in *Ecstasy*, I had to wear a fat duck costume. I finally get a chance to look pretty on stage."

At the age of five, Randall took an interest in acting. "I would walk around saying, 'When I grow up I want to be a movie star,'" Randall said. "As I got older, I turned to theater. My little girl infatuation grew into a love for the stage. Theater was the only thing that I knew I enjoyed doing.

"And I guess I'll do it until that feeling dies," Randall added. "It's my only love."

Both of Randall's parents are in the Air Force, so moving vans were a common sight. "I've mostly lived in big cities. Natchitoches is the smallest place that I've ever lived," Randall said. "I've lived in California, New Mexico, Colorado, North Dakota, Alabama, Louisiana and I've spent a summer in Guam." Randall was born in Mississippi while her parents were on vacation.

Randall loved acting so much that when the opportunity to attend a performing arts high school in Montgomery, Ala., was presented to her, she didn't hesitate. Attending regular classes in the morning and performing arts classes in the afternoons, the school gave Randall training in everything from acting and singing to building sets.

"I learned a lot there and I got some good training," Randall said. "In high school, they would work around your schedule. But, Northwestern's theater department is on a much higher maturity level. You are expected to be at rehearsal, on time, because if you are not, someone else would gladly take your part."

Randall didn't plan to attend Northwestern, but it's fitting that she ended up here. "My parents met and married while they were attending Northwestern," Randall said. "Once they graduated, they began to move around. It's ironic that I came back here. I've lived here longer than anywhere else."



**Thomas Worsham, Marjorie Helen Semones, Chane Rascoe, Joy Singleton, Coral Faucher and Tammie Strickland all lend a hand in mixing cement for the foundation of a semenary dormitory in Merrida, Mexico.**

PHOTO BY BOB HUTTON

# BSU students spend break doing God's work

BRIDGETTE M. MORVANT
*Current Sauce*

Thirteen students from the Baptist Student Union left classes early and spent their spring break in Merrida, Mexico, capital of the Yucatan. But, these students weren't lounging in the sun, they were engaged in missionary work.

The students arrived in Mexico on April 6 and began working on construction at a seminary in Merrida the very next morning. That Sunday, they took a day to visit various area mission churches, then they spent the following Monday through Friday digging and building foundations. The students returned to Natchitoches on April 15. On Easter Sunday, members of the BSU singing group, Inner Peace, traveled to First Baptist Church in Pleasant Hill for a performance.

The work was grueling; students laid the foundation, mixed their own cement and mortar and carried bricks, all with the help of Merridan church members. Students also tolerated Spartan living conditions, sleeping in hammocks on the various buildings on the grounds including the bakery, kitchen and cafeteria.

However, the students succeeded in completing the ground floor of the dormitory, which was, according to trip member, Bob Hutton, "A major accomplishment."

"The people were very team oriented," Hutton said. "The hospitality was better than anyone would ever expect. The students that went were together without any problems and had a good spirit amongst them."

"Despite the hard work all of the students came back refreshed and ready to go back to school," Hutton said.

In addition to working, the students found time to visit nearby Mayan ruins. However, one of the things which left a serious impression on Hutton was the area missions, "one of which is too poor to have a roof on its church as of yet."

Spring break volunteer work is surprisingly common for college students (see *Current Sauce,* April 4, 1995). And, this trip was not the first of its type for the BSU, which conducts student mission trips on a regular basis, usually every semester.

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**Our**View

# A Matter of Ethics

## More thought should be put into decisions regarding campus radio station

The *Current Sauce* has given quite a bit of positive coverage to our campus radio station this past year. Much of that coverage was based on trust—a trust we felt we had built with the management of the station—in spite of the controversy surrounding it in the past year.

Unfortunately, that trust seems to have been misplaced as some members of the station violated a variety of journalistic standards.

Ethics is one ideal we at the *Current Sauce* have strived to uphold this year, often in lieu of some really "good sounding" stories. It could be reflected in our coverage of the SGA elections last week in which we interviewed all the major candidates and printed the information that was pertinent to the candidates' platforms rather than "sound bytes."

We upheld that standard of ethics when we endorsed a candidate on the editorial page last week. We interviewed the candidates and made a decision based on completely objective conclusions. We knew the idea of endorsing candidates was not an especially popular idea with some SGA members—some of whom work at the radio station—but we chose to do it out of service to the students with a reminder that students should talk to the candidates and make their own decisions.

It is of our editorial page we want to speak now — namely, the fact that unedited copies of the Current Opinion and Campus Forum pages were taken from our layout room, unbeknownst to us, last Monday afternoon.

We want to make our stand clear: this is nothing less than outright *theft*. And, while we can't say on this page who actually stole the pages, we do know that they were read on the air at KNWD Tuesday morning, well before the paper came out. In addition to taking cheap shots at the columnists, letters to the editor, and our editing abilities (as I said, the pages had not been edited yet, changes were made to them less than two hours after they were stolen), two highly placed members of the radio station (who were also involved in the SGA elections) had one of the SGA candidates on the air with them. They also said that since we endorsed one candidate, they would endorse the other.

While their motives are ostensibly questionable, (especially considering these DJs' histories with this candidate), we believe representatives of the station should have at least given the other candidate an opportunity to express his views better than a day before the election.

We feel this is exacerbated by the fact that this candidate (of questionable history) was on the air twice as a guest DJ and at no time during the election was the other candidate represented. While the lopsided coverage is apparently not illegal, it does break KNWD's house rules regarding no unlicensed DJs on the air.

We have been accused on the airwaves of this same radio station of not knowing what is going on around Northwestern's campus. And, to an extent, that may be true. But we do follow our own rules and we do know what is going on with that station.

And we will continue to watch.

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# People need to 'GET A LIFE', stop blaming society



**Judy**Giles

## So What I'm Saying Is...

Responsibility can be defined as simply doing what you are supposed to do, which is exactly what is expected of university students. Most of us have missed classes, not turned in assignments or, heaven forbid, have been absent on a test day. The anxiety of not having a doctor's note, no matter how valid the reason, has led to some very creative excuses.

The following are just a few of the sampling, fondly recalled by some Northwestern professors, who shall remain nameless:

1.The number one most overused..."My grandmother died" (four times in one semester!).
2. " I got sick eating Cheerios."
3. "My sister became a drug addict and a prostitute. I had to go straighten her out."
4. The worn out... "My car wouldn't start."
5. "My computer froze up."
6. "I was chalking the football field and coach said it was more important than American history."
7. "My mother was very ill, I had to drive her to the hospital."
8. "It was a bad hair day and I couldn't find a hat."

A lot of students have grown up, or lived with the philosophy that someone, or something other that themselves, is responsible. We have reasonable explanations for why almost everything is out of our control and certainly not our responsibility!

Psychologists in the late '60s convinced many parents that "spanking" was too harsh a punishment and that strict discipline would limit individual personality growth. (This theory was easily bought, because most didn't want to do it anyway!)

As a result, when Junior refused to share his toys in preschool, it was understood as a symptom of his deep rooted abandonment issues, due to maternal separation anxiety.

Then, later in school, when he continued to not do his homework, the teacher naturally assumed that perhaps Junior had a learning disability or lives in a dysfunctional family.

Thus, Junior grew up, chronologically at least, maybe even made it to college, believing that he could do anything he wanted and never have to take the blame!

Today, in all walks of life, there are adults unable to assume responsibility for their own actions. Support groups abound for every conceivable disorder and have become a life line, a way of life for many people in our society.

The popularity of TV talk shows illustrates the addiction we Americans have for reliving our past on national television. Beside the obvious financial reward, mass media provides the "Ultimate Disclaimer!"

Therapy, an invaluable function, is designed to help us accept ourselves and to accept responsibility for our own lives. It was never meant to become a crutch or an adhesive to the troubled past.

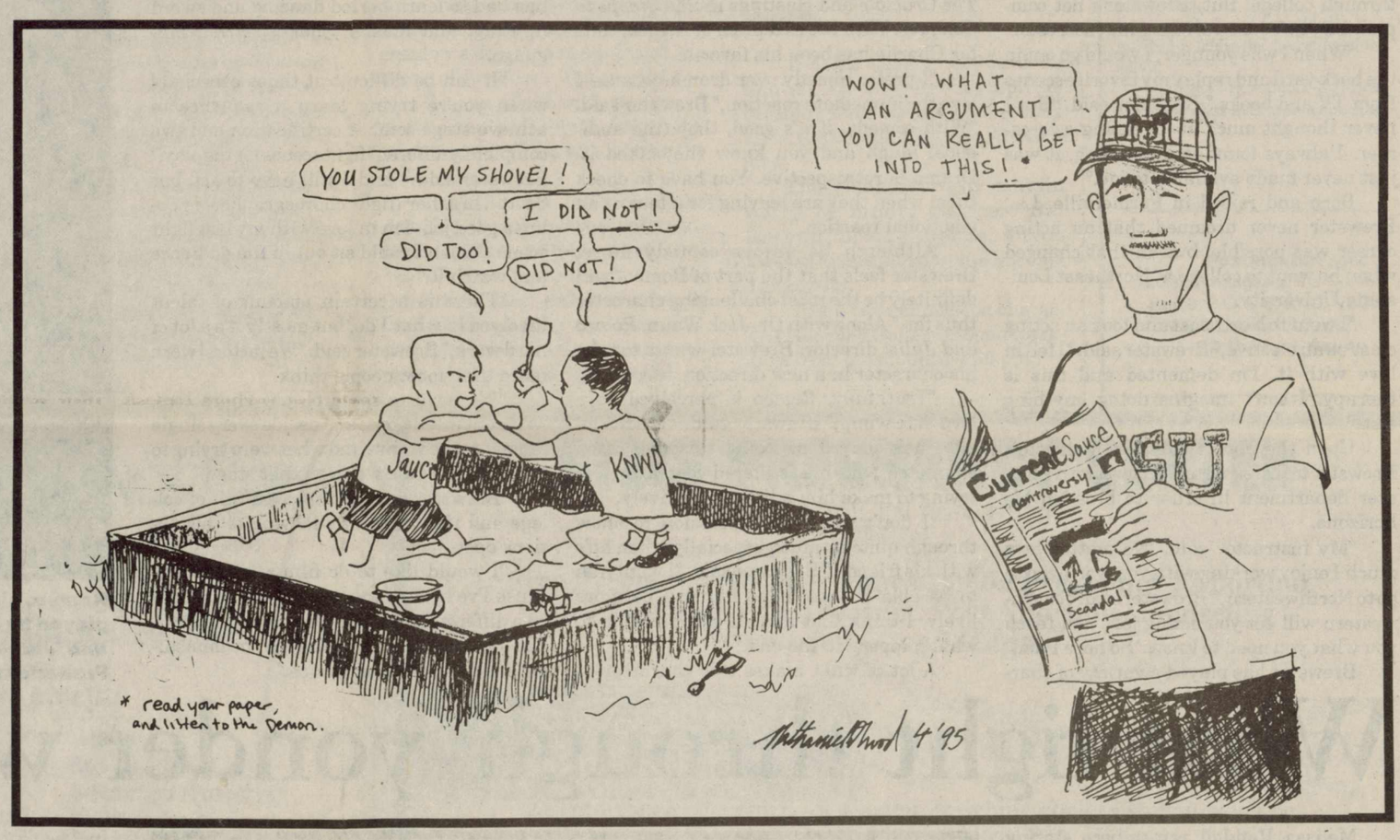
GET A LIFE! History is being made in this world every day and we must contribute to it NOW, not after graduation. Our children and grandchildren will learn responsibility by our EXAMPLE. ( It may be too late for mine, I'm still paying for my mistakes!)

Our community will be better, our country will be stronger, and the world will become more user friendly, because of each individual who chooses to act responsibly TODAY. " The Buck Stops Here!"

OK, I confess, Professor Kaufman, I wrote this column instead of doing my homework. It's MY fault (oh, that feels good).

So, what I'm saying is...

"Oprah, Maury and Geraldo, GET A JOB!...WE'VE DONE IT, BEEN THERE!




## Mental slavery or slave to mentality?

Patrick Carlson

**Editor's Note: This is in response to Mick Dorsey's column on mental slavery.*

The issue of mental slavery is highly distorted and based in some very shallow thinking. I agree with the thinking of going through life believing that we have dominion over all living creatures as it is clearly stated is the Bible that we have been created in God's image and we have been granted rule over the birds of the sky, the fish of the sea, the livestock over all the earth, and the creatures that move along the ground (Genesis).

This is true of all mankind. I understand this is not what you were referring to when you laid claims against the "ruling whites" thinking. Yet, the fact that you refer to them as that might reveal something about the profits of thinking boldly. I think that maybe the people of color should try to implement this into their lives instead of crying "victim" all the time. After all, it has been stated that the only way to become a victim is to surrender yourself as one.

I tend to agree with Carter G. Woodson and his thinking that to teach a man that his black face is a curse and to change his condition is helpless is a despicable thing. I think that is a very profound theory and is hard to dispute. However, where foes this question about what group of people does it look like are responsible for unleashing crooks into society come from? Is this an attempt to justify the high gang-related crime and violence that is committed by the black population? I don't believe that in the instance that mental slavery really were a problem, that you could attribute such vigilance or disorder to mental slavery. Furthermore, it is extremely ignorant to pin the blame on the white race for the simple reasoning of what you perceive as prejudiced thinking.

I believe the fact that you see two distinct categories of people, with the people of color not being allowed to better themselves or their living conditions is a total blindness of reality. The author being from the "category" of people wrote that statement in a university newspaper while pursuing further education to enhance his future.

I challenge the author to question his friends about how many of them are receiving grants or loans that are directly funded by the U.S. government.

The government discriminates against no one when offering various services to the nation. In fact, review some statistics and you may just find that the majority of these programs and services are manipulated by the people of color. The enrollment of people of color in this University alone ought to establish some sense of how easy it is for anyone to better their life within our nation.

The problem of people in power not doing enough to fight your outlandish idea of mental slavery is also an easy one to solve. We live in a government that elects its positions democratically. This means citizens get to vote for who best represents their interests. I think that instead of pointing the finger at politicians that don't fulfill the functions you would like them to it would be more beneficial to build support of campaigns of people that would. I know that this doesn't always prove effective, but the message would be much more received and respected by those who are in power.

Lastly, I challenge you to read a few history books. Don't stop at just American history either. Look at the pasts of Asian, European, Middle Eastern and even African countries. Their histories all include some form of slavery.

America is not the only country to ever have struggled with an equality of the races issue. The African-Americans aren't the only people to have ever been enslaved either.

Mistakes on moral issues have and always will be made.

I don't ask that you forget about those mistakes; I just ask you to focus on the future and look at how many achievements have been made in social equality. I think then there will be a lot less resentment in both "categories" of people. If you can't see how free you really are then may be you have become a slave to your own mentality.



**Your**View

*Letters*

Should between 300-500 words and must include the signature of the author, the author's classification, major and phone number for fact verification. They are due the Friday before the Tuesday publication date.

## SGA elections reflect voting groups

Name Withheld by Request

Two issues cross my mind when I think about the results of this year's SGA election: socialites and fairness.

Next year most of the SGA will consist of socialites—but I think the student body as a whole is to blame. As a poll worker for both days of the election, I can honestly say that a majority of people who voted belonged to social organizations (I saw A LOT of letters!). Also the candidates for the 15 Senator-at-large positions were mostly greek. I have news for the general population—if you don't run and you don't vote, then how do you expect things to change?

Another thing that I want to address is the way that the election was conducted by the student media. I congratulate the *Current Sauce* for their effort to present the candidates in an enlightened way. They supported a candidate and they did it properly—in an editorial opinion. I would also like to condemn the radio station for their juvenile behavior. The FCC specifically states that political candidates must have "equal time" to voice their platforms. According to an unnamed source their "wonderful" general manager Jeff Burkett (who is now re-elected as a senator for 1995-96) said that he was unsure about FCC regulations concerning this issue. Isn't it funny that a person with an Associate's Degree (as he often reminds we underlings who don't have such titles) is fuzzy on an issue of federal law concerning a job he receives approximately $2,400 per semester for this year and probably next year. What exactly ARE we paying for anyway? Maybe it's time we took an "official" look.

# Campus Connection

***Housing***

All students attending summer school who want to live in the residence hall must come by the Housing office and fill out a room request card. Females will reside in Bossier and males will reside in Rapides. All cards must be submitted by Monday, May 1.

***NSU LaCrosse Club***

I'm trying to start a LaCrosse team here at NSU. Anyone interested in playing or coaching, please call Jeff at 357-6771 and be prepared to leave a message.

***Phi Mu***

Don't forget about Rush Workshop starting Friday at 6. The KA Exchange will be at 9 on Thursday at the KA House. Sisterhood Committee will meet Wed. at 6. Please try to attend the Orchestra concert Thursday at 7.

***Trading Places***

Due to last minute change of plans by President, Dr. Bobby Alost, the Trading Places day was canceled. Please contact the Alumni Office for a refund on your ticket. We are very sorry this event will not take place and we thank you for your support.

***Tri Sigma***

On Tuesday 9 pm meeting at the house and dress-up day; Wednesday wear your letters; Thursday a 2-man golf game at Rec-Complex(call Mona Ross for more info); Friday 6 pm Rush Workshop at the House; Saturday 9:30 am to 4 pm, Rush Workshop at the house; Sunday 9 am Song & Skit tryouts, 11 am Rush Workshop, 7 pm Cruise party(dress in your favorite cruise costume and bring food to match theme) and Monday, track meet (call Mona Ross for more info).

***Zeta Phi Beta***

The ladies of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Inc, are hosting an informational Seminar in the Cain River Room on Wednesday, April 26 at 8 pm. Attendance does not obligate you to become a member of the sorority. The requirements are that you have to have at least 12 hours and a 2.0 cumulative GPA. We encourage all interested ladies to attend. For any info, call Debra at 352-5837.

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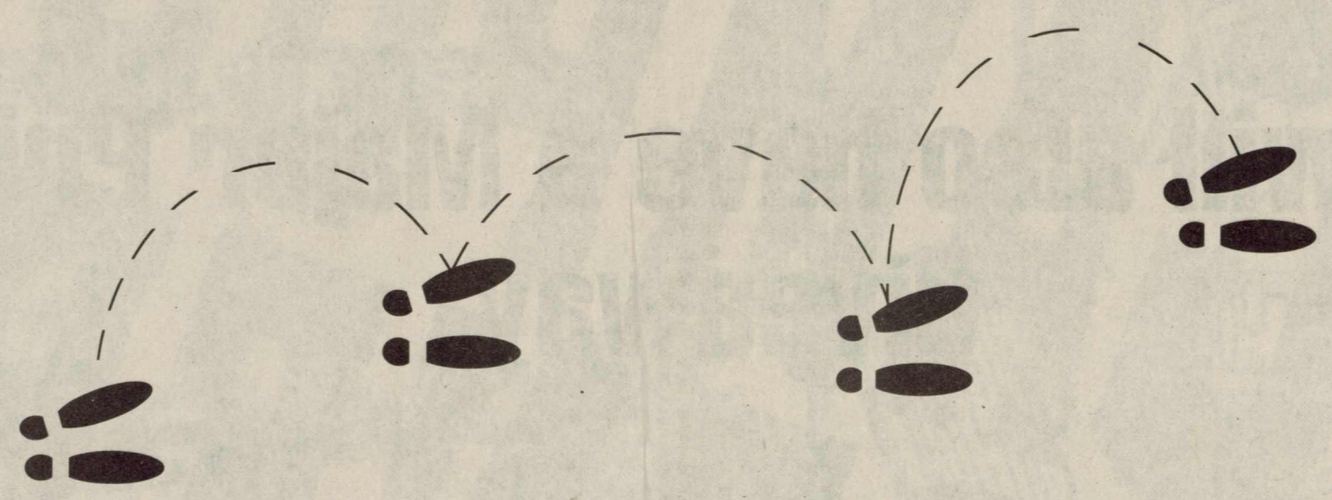
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# ELECTION: Mayeux violates by-laws

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the election next year and for the election 20 years from now. It needs to be in the by-laws."

The SGA will hold run-off elections Wednesday and Thursday in the Student Union between Trey Earle and Brandon Matherne for the position of senator-at-large.

Mark Alexander is the new SGA vice-president and Jill Garner, Jeffrey Burkett, Chad Watson, Carlton Downey, Brett Bedinger, Kenneth Posey, Mark Macey, Alicia Thomas, Ronald Lee Hall Jr., Micah Sims, Samantha Ronquille, Williams Eubanks, Christopher Conway and Dan Helms II are the new senators-at-large.

# KNWD: Station anwers ethics questions

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that Mayeux would be on the air that morning until both were already there. Martin could not be reached for comment.

According to Mike Heistand of the Student Press Law Center in Washington, D.C., the actions of the person(s) who took the pages were illegal on two counts.

"This is a very unusual case," Heistand said. "But if the pages were taken from the newspaper's offices without the permission of the staff, that constitutes criminal trespass and theft."

Fred Fulton, vice president of student affairs, said the University considers taking the pages improper and should the perpetrators be identified, they would be disciplined accordingly.

Schneyer, whose letter to the editor about the radio station on the Campus Forum page was commented upon, said the DJs' disparaging comments didn't surprise him.

"Whether Jeff Burkett realizes it or not, the radio station should not be his personal playground at which he can do anything he pleases," Schneyer said. "There are those students who see the radio station as a bona fide student media organization. As such these students place some weight on the opinions expressed by the radio station. This fact leads to a certain responsibility." According to Meche, radio station coverage was a non-issue until comments were made about him during the broadcast.

"I'm uncertain as to whether I'd have campaigned on the radio." Meche said. "However, I wish they would not have resorted to such childish measures to gain publicity. And I hope the events of this election set a precedent for future elections."

Burkett has already been facing some problems with his staff.

Several long-distance calls were placed on the station's watts line, which is paid for by radio station funds.

According to him, the incidents are still under investigation.

"We have the telephone numbers but we don't know who they were from or who they were to." Burkett said. "It's actually going to take calling the numbers or going through AT&T to find out the people who were called."

He said that many of the calls are legitimate and that time and length were the major factors in bringing some of the calls to management's attention. When there's a call at 10 or 11 o'clock at night for greater than 20 minutes (there was one call for 90 minutes one night), that's someone calling for non-business reasons," he said.

Burkett also said that this is not a new problem. He previously presented the situation to radio staff but was unable to pin down the person(s) making the calls. Once he does find the perpetrators, they will be made to reimburse the University for those calls.

According to Melissa Price, KNWD faculty adviser, steps are being taken to resolve the matter.

"I am hopeful that the station manager and staff will be able to work this out and resolve the problem," Price said in a written statement Thursday. "Unfortunately, until the issue is resolved, the [phone] link service has been discontinued." Price had no comment on the other station matters.

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# *Bone* offers quality comic experience

Derek Price
*Current Sauce*

Hi and welcome to the inaugural edition of COMIX. In this column, I shall endeavor in exposing the graphics/art medium. In other words, I am going to talk about comic books and related items of interest.

So why should you even care about comic books? Surely you haven't seen or read anything that is related to comic books? Well, how about the *Mask* or *Batman* movies/cartoons? The *X-Men* cartoon? The *Crow* movie? The *WildC.A.T.S.* cartoon? The list goes on and on.

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But Derek, all I see on comic book covers are women with bodies that defy gravity! Ok, so there is T&A style artwork in comic books but, there is some great art to be found out there as well as some wonderful stories. Hey, there are sometimes even comics that have both!

*Bone* is one such example. *Bone* is a whimsical tale that is geared toward people of all ages. In this ongoing series by creator Jeff Smith, the saga of creatures named Fone Bone, Phoney Bone, and Smiley Bone(reminds you of those #&$@ Smurfs, eh?) is told. Fone Bone and his cousins are lost in a strange land that they don't know anything about after being chased out of Boneville. This wasn't the first time the Bones were run out of town. One time, Phoney(the scheming cousin) had created in his words, "the ultimate tax shelter" but it turned out to be an orphanage built on a hazardous waste landfill(relax, it's a comic book, ok?!)! On this last banishment, Phoney had announced his canidacy for Mayor of Boneville. As usual, things went wrong. First, the 50 foot tall balloon Phoney had made of himself carried away a statue of Boneville's founder. Were they run out of town for that? No. They were when the tarts kicked in which Incidentially contained prunes. After their leave of absence from Boneville, the Bones meet a young lady(Thorn), her grandmother(Rose [who incidentally races cows...] ), a dragon, and other assorted characters. I simply can't give any higher rating than a perfect 10 for *Bone* because it embodies witty writing and entertaining art. Check it out, I think you will be pleasantly surprised.

In future editions of COMIX, I intend to expand COMIX and include reviewing requested comic books, have contests, and more! Thanks for reading and until next time...

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**A sample of the comic *Bone's* entertaining art**

# *Tommy Boy* star Spade plays it straight

Ian Spelling
*College Press Service*

WASHINGTON—Is David Spade really like the quick, smug and cutting characters he portrays on *Saturday Night Live* and in those ubiquitous telephone commercials?

That's a question lots of people have been asking since Spade came to prominence, and it's what they'll be wondering anew throughout a good portion of "Tommy Boy," the comedian's first starring role after smaller parts in *Reality Bites, Coneheads, Light Sleeper* and *P.C.U.* The film teams him with his main "SNL" partner, Chris Farley.

*Tommy Boy* casts Spade as Richard, the bitchy right hand to Big Tom Callahan (Brian Dennehy), owner of Callahan Auto Parts. When Big Tom dies, his conniving wife (Bo Derek) and her son (Rob Lowe) plot to wrest the company away from Tommy Callahan (Farley), Big Tom's good-natured but none-too-swift son. Ultimately, Richard and Tommy embark on a last-ditch effort to save the company, during which they become something resembling pals.

Spade reports that he and Farley, frequent SNL sketch partners and close offscreen friends, enjoyed teaming together for *Tommy Boy*.

If the film is a hit, chances are the duo will grace movie screens for a long time. "I don't think a next film would be a (*Tommy Boy*) sequel. I think we would do just another movie like Abbott and Costello or Lewis and Martin. "

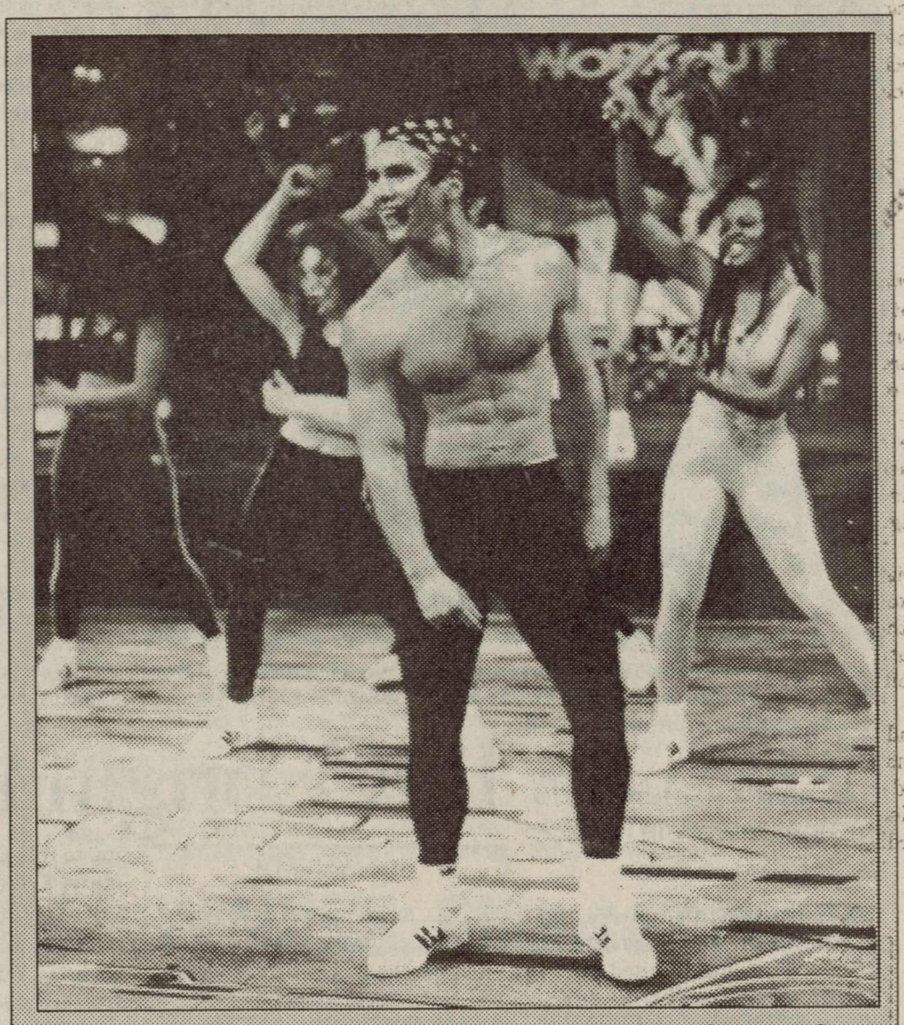
"I'm kind of straighter, and Chris is goofier. We can both be goofy, and that's fun, but we're pretty opposite looking, so it's good to play off each other," says the 30-year-old funnyman, who is single.

"I get a few actual jokes in there. I get to say some things that make me or someone else laugh, but I'm pretty much the straight man."

"I signed up knowing it was me and Farley, and I know the excitement he generates when we're out together. It's fun. I do my job, and I just want to hold my own."

" It's hard when he's loud, falling down and doing the head-banging and things that make him funny. Just to stand in the same room with him, you're asking for trouble. But, Farley is good at sharing, and I like working with him. We're good together."

Spade attended Scottsdale Community College and Arizona State, where he studied anthropology and business.He never finished school. "I think I'm about 90 credits short," he cracks, smiling.



**Eric Nies hosts *The Grind*, a low-impact aerobics routine**

# Nies 'Grinds' with MTV

NEW YORK—Sony Music and MTV are gonna make you sweat this summer with the release of a new workout home video led by Eric Nies, host of MTV's popular dance show "The Grind." "The Grind Workout Hip Hop Aerobics" ($12.98), which also features "The Grind" dancers, will be in stores May 16.

"The Grind Workout Hip Hop Aerobics" is the first all-original direct-to-video programming from the MTV Home Video line. This lite impact, aerobic workout combines current workout trends such as "Power Funk" and "Hip Hop Funk" with a heart-thumping exercise routine. Set to the beat of a funky soundtrack, including "You Gotta Be" by Des'ree, "Turn the Beat Around" by Vicki Sue Robinson and "Insane In the Brain" by Cypress Hill, the video incorporates the freshest dance steps in addition to a special abdominal workout routine led by Eric.

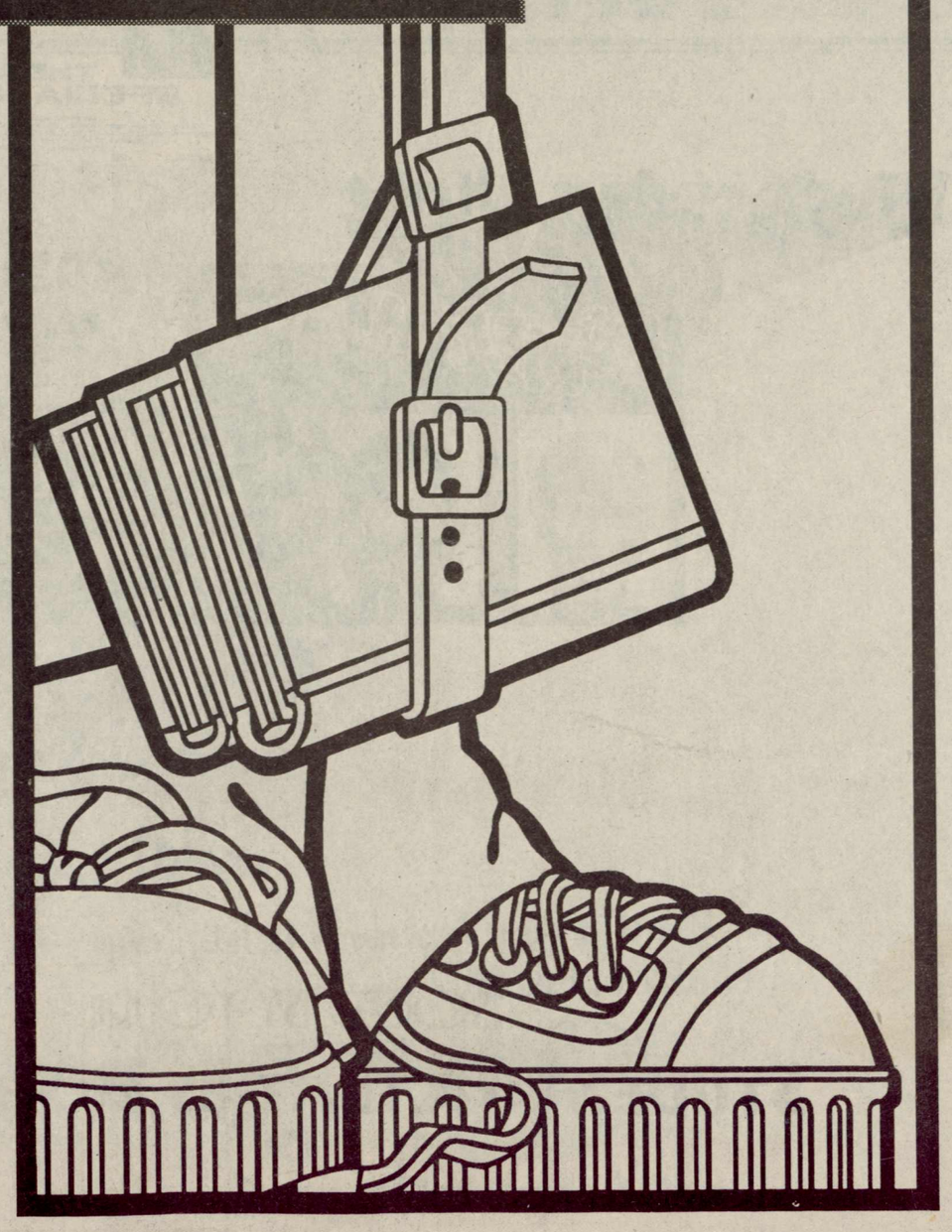
"The Grind Workout Hip Hop Aerobics" was developed with certified Aerobics and Fitness Association of America fitness counsultant Peg Jordan, RN to assure the exercises were done according to AFAA's standards and guidelines.


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# Scholars' student chooses Walt Disney for senior thesis topic



**Jennifer Rowland has been surrounded by Walt Disney all of her life. So, when she decided to chose her Scholars' College thesis, Disney naturally came to mind.**

*Mom, Dad and Mickey Mouse* is not only an appropriate title for Jennifer Rowland's thesis, it could also be used to describe her life. Rowland is a graduating senior at Scholars' College from Marrero, La. As her senior thesis project she examined the way families were portrayed in Disney films

"I love Disney and it has always been an important part of my life," Rowland said. "I lost my first tooth while I was watching *The Wonderful World of Disney*. When my brother was born, my dad took me to see *Lady and the Tramp*.

"He wanted to make sure that I didn't feel left out now that we had a new baby in the family," Rowland said. "So, it's always been my favorite Disney movie." It's also the movie Rowland can best relate to because Lady got the family that she always wanted and everything worked out in the end.

Rowland's thesis illustrates the significant role that Walt Disney has played in the childhoods of generations of Americans. "Mention the name Disney, and many eyes grow glassy with nostalgia for the essence of childhood [that] Disney so skillfully brought to life in his films," Rowland stated. "Even among his contemporaries, Disney was recognized as the primary proponent of family values and entertainment."

Rowland's fascination with Disney may have begun in the home but it has often carried over into her academic career. "When I was in high school my teachers always put these signs up that asked, 'who is your favorite historical figure?'" Rowland said. "I always put Walt Disney because it is incredible to me how he started out basically from nothing and built this great empire.

"Almost everyone in the world knows who Walt Disney is," Rowland said. "His work has helped shape today's society."

Originally, Rowland had considered doing her thesis on children's television programming. However, she decided against because she didn't think it would hold her attention for a full year. "I then contemplated 'what do I really love' and the first thing that came to mind was Disney movies," Rowland said. "When I thought of Disney, I thought family values but then I began to reflect on the movies.

"In the *Parent Trap*, the story revolves around a divorced family. In *Mary Poppins*, you've got a dysfunctional family. *101 Dalmations* involves kidnapping, and in *Peter Pan*, the kids go off to form their own little gang family," Rowland said. "I was like 'what's going on here?'"

This little spark of interest coupled with her love for Disney movies led Rowland to compose her 40-plus page thesis, which is required of Scholars' College seniors. "Disney's primary concern dealt with illustrating the need to maintain the traditional family and its values while reinforcing its strength," Rowland said of her conclusion. "While the non-traditional norms appear subversive at first, the conclusions of each film prove the resiliency of the traditional form."

Although it has been a long process, Rowland has enjoyed it. "Sometimes it could get tough because I would underestimate how long it would take to get a chapter together," Rowland said. "Overall, it was not nearly as stressful as I envisioned the thesis project to be. Last semester, it was almost relaxing to be working on a topic that I enjoy so much."

Rowland has been sharing her insight of choosing a topic that she enjoys with the Scholars' College freshmen class and encouraging them to do the same.

Rowland chose to attend Scholars' College because she liked the idea of a concentration instead of a major, the smallness of the classes, the interest that the faculty took in the students and the ability to chose from a variety of courses. "I would not have had these opportunities anywhere else," Rowland said.

"And with my advisors, I feel that I got the best of both worlds because Dr. [Susan] Newton was in sociology and Dr. [Grady] Ballenger is in film," Rowland said. "So having both of these influences was wonderful."

With her thesis complete and awaiting graduation, how did Roland celebrate? By taking a trip to Disney World during spring break, of course.

## BSU: students do missionary work in Mexico

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What made this trip especially significant was the fact that it took place outside of the United States. "It was a very great trip," Marty Williams, BSU president said.

Members of the Northwestern BSU who went to Mexico are Lane Corley, Coral Faucher, Richard Holt, Hutton, Jacob Johnson, Chane Rascoe, Pam Rowe, Marjorie Helen Semones, Joy Singleton, Kara Stevens, Tammie Strickland, Marty Williams and Thomas Worsham. Bill Collins, director of the BSU and David Feaster, a coach at Natchitoches Central High School, also attended on behalf of Northwestern.

Members of the BSU said they plan to return to Mexico to complete the project next year. In the meantime, other missionary groups, including students from Louisiana State University at Shreveport's BSU, will continue to travel to Merrida to work on the seminary.

# IDC: original entertainment

Derek Rabuck
*Current Sauce*

Every so often I will come across an album from out of the blue that will catch my interest and have me eagerly awaiting the next release.

I've recently had this happen to me. I was sitting in the Kyser television studio and happened to see this CD called *Wonder Where You Are* by International Dub Corps (IDC for short) laying next to the CD player in the sound room. So, I decided that since I had never heard of this particular band, I would give it a spin. Before I knew it, I had listened to most of the album.

What I didn't know at the time was that this particular band included a member whom I had gotten to know very well in previous weeks. Collier Hyams, guitarist and vocalist for IDC, happened to be one of my co-workers at the TV studio.

Now, I wouldn't have known that a staff member of Northwestern, particularly a person that I know, was a member of IDC if Collier hadn't walked in while I was listening to this CD. I knew that Collier played guitar, but I didn't know this was his band until he asked me if I liked his CD.

His question took me totally by surprise. But, his question was not the only thing that surprised me that day. I like to listen to a wide variety of music, but my main preference is guitar-oriented rock 'n' roll. The surprise, though, was that International Dub Corps is not rock 'n' roll, or even anything like the music that I normally listen to or have listened to in the past.

Centered around lyrical themes of love, longing and the occurrences of everyday social issues, the music of International Dub Corps is a very in-depth look into what international culture is all about.

IDC could be categorized as either reggae or world music, but, due to the wide variety in the vocal deliverance and overall musical technique used on *Wonder Where You Are*, I believe that IDC could only be properly placed under a category titled original.

*Wonder Where You Are* is a refreshing listen, and contains several musical touches that help differentiate IDC from the likes of many current bands. To be able to get across originality in today's musical scene is a feat all by itself.

Songs, such as *Dreadlocks Pickeney*, *It Nah Go Work*, and the title track, show that Hyams, Derick George (percussion, vocals), and Steve Andrews (bass, vocals), have a message to get across. Unlike many bands, IDC does not rely on one particular musical style. Instead, IDC switches from reggae to jazz and even to a style on the song *It Nah Go Work* that Bangzine Magazine calls "glamrock style vocals (though lyrically serious) and Pink Floydian guitar."

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Other musical aspects include everything from the sound of insects to various percussional overtones. *Wonder Where You Are* also contains cool piano and keyboards, and rhythm-ladden guitar licks that make this CD addictive to the ears.

## Penny-wise student pays tuition debt

Kathy Bushouse
*Independent Florida Alligator*

GAINESVILLE, Fla.—Four years of planning and saving finally paid off Joshua Smith's tuition recently when he dumped 198 rolls of pennies on the counter in the University of Florida's cashier's office.

Since his first year at UF, the mechanical engineering senior, who graduates in May, has saved pennies to pay for his last semester's tuition.

Through donations from friends, picking up pennies off the ground and "saving the little change I got," Smith saved up the $99.01 he needed to pay the remainder of his tuition. Smith found his final penny on the floor in the UF cashier's office.

"I've always collected pennies as a hobby," Smith said. "I've always watched people throw them away."

Smith was warned ahead of time that UF might not accept such a large number of pennies. The office had a change of heart, but first Smith had to spend 45 minutes labeling each penny roll with his name, Social Security number and phone number.

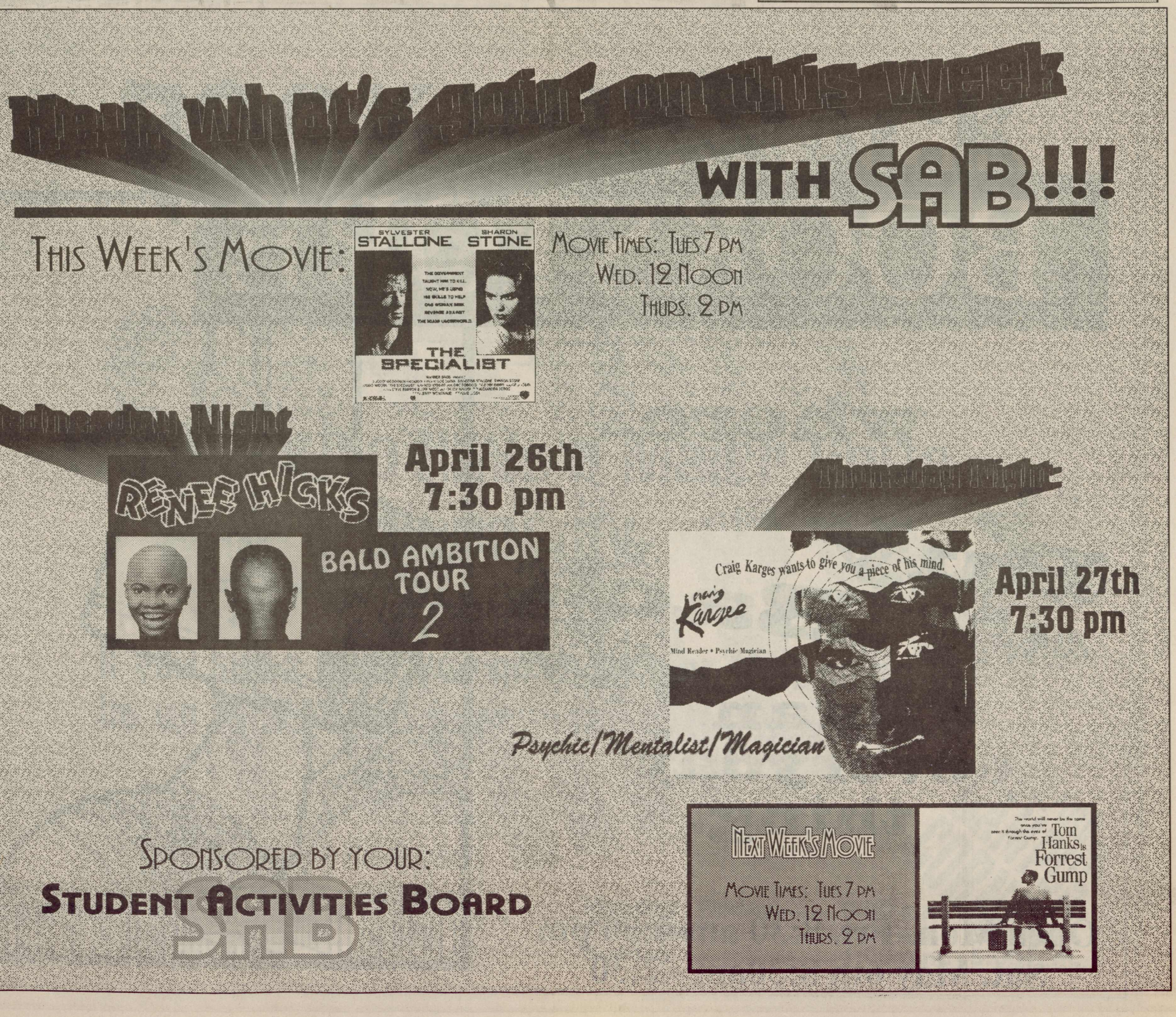
"Students are supposed to do oddball things," he said. "It's better than drinking 'til you puke."

As he lined up the 198 penny rolls in groups of 10 on the counter to give to the cashier, Smith said he was pleased with the way everything worked out. One penny-needful woman even thanked him for the rolls because it spared her a trip to the bank.

"I'm glad they were receptive," he said. "They seemed amused."

Smith's accomplices said while they couldn't see themselves doing the same thing, they thought penny-saving made bill-paying more fun.

"I think it's hilarious, otherwise I wouldn't have helped," said Julie Silva, Smith's fiancée. "It's one of those things like saving up your pennies to pay for your college education. It's like the American dream."

# SportsBriefs

## Hebert to attend clinic at Greater Demon Purple Pitchfork Pigskin Party

Atlanta Falcons quarterback Bobby Hebert highlights the Northwestern football clinic for kids 13-and-under Saturday, April 29, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Turpin Stadium.

The clinic is one of many activities in the Second Annual Greater Demon Purple Pitchfork Pigskin Party.

Demon Head Coach Sam Goodwin and his staff, along with current and former Demon players, will be instructing those in attendance. The clinic is free of charge.

Hebert, a 1984 graduate of Northwestern, played with the New Orleans Saints from 1985-92. He led the Saints to the NFL playoffs for the first time in franchise history in 1987. His best year was in 1988, when he completed 280 passes in 476 attempts for 3,156 yards and 20 touchdowns.

Hebert has been with the Falcons since 1993, throwing for 2,978 yards and 24 touchdowns. He has thrown for over 300 yards in a game six times and has thrown for at least 275 yards on 12 occasions.

The junior high school with the most youngsters at the clinic will win a group pass enabling those students to see a Northwestern football game in the fall.

## Lakeview star LaQuan Kirkendoll signs letter-of-intent with Lady Demon basketball

Lakeview High School product LaQuan Kirkendoll has signed a national letter-of-intent to play college basketball for the Southland Conference champion Lady Demons next year.

Kirkendoll, a 6-0 forward, averaged 20 points, 10 rebounds and three blocked shots for Lakeview this season. The Gators posted a 17-14 record, losing in the second round of the playoffs.

A four-year starter for Lakeview, Kirkendoll was a three-time All-District selection and earned Class 2A Honorable Mention state honors as a senior.

"She is a typical Lady Demon player," Lady Demon Head Coach James Smith said. "She is very athletic, can run the floor and rebound on both ends of the floor."

Kirkendoll, who ran track and cross country for the Gators, joins other Lady Demon signees Louise Chase of Ringgold and Sonya Bearden of Atlanta.

Smith hopes to sign three more players, including a physical post player and a point guard.

## Roper Memorial Golf Tournament slated for April 29

Entries are still being accepted for the April 29 Chris Roper Memorial Golf Tournament, which supports a scholarship fun at Northwestern.

The $25 entry fee includes lunch at noon and a spot in the 1 p.m. scramble tournament at the Northwestern Hills Golf Course. Carts can be reserved for $7.

Prizes and trophies for the 13th annual tournament will be awarded to the top three five-person teams. Contests will also be staged for putting, closest-to-the-hole and longest drive.

Revenue generated funds a scholarship in memory of Roper, a standout Demon golfer who was killed in a traffic accident in December 1982. A native of Camden, Ark., Roper was a senior who made the 1981 All-Trans America Conference team, finishing ninth in the league tournament.

To register, contact Elise James at the Northwestern Alumni Center by calling (318) 357-4414. Entries and donations may be mailed to Elise James, Director, Development and Alumni Affairs, Northwestern State University, Natchitoches, LA 71497.

## Golf finishes ninth at Southland tournament

Todd Archambault and Jason Myatt posted their best scores of the tournament but couldn't spark a charge by Northwestern in the closing round of the 1995 Southland Conference Golf Championship April 17 in West Columbia Lakes, Texas.

Archambault carded a 75, four shots better than his second round score and 10 shots lower than his first day total, and Myatt had a 79 after back-to-back 80's.

Northwestern's Jim Crotty also rallied Tuesday, shooting 77 after an 82 Monday, but the Demons couldn't climb out of ninth place in the 10-team tournament.

Texas-Arlington won at 884, beating Northeast Louisiana by 18 shots. Northwestern's 932 included a final round 311 and was three shots better than Nicholls State's 935.

Crotty was the Demons' low scorer, shooting a 54-hole total of 234 (75-82-77) to tie for 32nd in the 50-player field. Teammate Troy Prusky was one shot back at 235 (77-78-80).

Archambault, Myatt and Weyers Van Rensburg tied for 43rd at 239. Van Rensburg, 19th entering Tuesday's round, shot 87 after posting 77-75 in the first two rounds.

UTA's Jason Hughes won the medalist title by three shots, closing with a 1-over 73 for a 217 total on the par-72 Columbia Lakes Country Club layout.

## Tennis team falls to McNeese in SLC tournament

Northwestern's women's tennis team, last year's Southland Conference champion, was ousted Thursday in the opening round of the 1995 Southland Conference Championships by host McNeese State.

Northwestern freshman Sandra Emde and Julie Lessiter earned straight set victories in the No. 1 and No. 3 flights, respectively.

Emde cruised past Dusti Fremin 6-2, 6-2 while Lessiter blanked Denise Battise 6-0, 6-0.

Ultimately, a lack of depth due to injuries was Northwestern's downfall as McNeese captured wins in the remaining singles flights.

The Lady Demons opted to default the three doubles matches, clinching the victory for McNeese.

Northwestern (2-12, 2-7 SLC) struggled to its first sub-.500 season in its 18 year history. The core group of freshmen, however, and next year's return of 1994 SLC Player of the Year Ljudmila Pavlov has head coach Willie Paz setting his sights on reclaiming the crown in the near future.

## Bean leads NSU track at SFA Twilight Invitational

Northwestern swept the men's and women's team titles Friday while Demon sophomore Terrance Bean beat Stephen F. Austin's Chris Olssen O'Neil in a matchup of two the the country's top collegiate high jumpers at the SFA Twilight Invitational track and field meet in Nacogdoches, Texas.

Bean's win helped the Demons triumph by 109-105 over SFA in the nine-team men's division, with Louisiana Tech third at 100.

Northwestern's women, with Maryalyce Walsh lowering her own school record in the 5000, won the eight-team women's competition handily.

Walsh ran 17:45.46, lowering her own school record by three seconds, as Northwestern's outdistanced second-place Arkansas-Little Rock 127-92. Also winning for the Lady Demons were Cynthia Owens in the 100 meters (12.08), Niema Malone in the long jump (18-11) and Carla Davison in the 1500 meters (4:46.65).

# DRAFT: Winners and losers

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Derrick Alexander, who they did pick, is a solid player but can't tie Sapp's shoes. OL Korey Stringer and DB's Orlanda Thomas of USL and Corey Fuller gave the Vikings a solid weekend. QB Chad May is a shot for the future. *Grade:* B+

12. **Packers**--Disappointed when quality running backs were gone in first round, but DB Craig Newsome is a good top pick. Green Bay did not fill its most glaring need in the backfield, but picked up some quality help. *Grade:* B+

13. **Falcons**--Still smarting at the loss of Deion Sanders, Atlanta took another Florida State DB, Devin Bush, DB Ronald Davis of Tennessee, and LB Lorenzo Styles to help defend against Prime Time's new teammate in Jerry Rice. *Grade:* B+

14. **Seahawks**--New coach Dennis Erickson didn't enjoy a particulaly impressive first draft. WR Joey Galloway can fly, as can sixth-rounder Eddie Goines. Erickson apparently wants to run a University of Miami program with Seattle. It just doesn't seem to fit, does it? *Grade:* B+

15. **Chargers**--After being torched by the 49er air show in the Super Bowl, Bobby Ross knew he needed secondary help. He may have got it in SFA's Terrence Shaw, who led the SLC with six interceptions last season. RB Terrell Fletcher was a bit of a shocker at No. 51 overall. *Grade:* B+

16. **Giants**--Puzzling. Rodney Hampton is a Pro Bowl running back, yet coach Dan Reeves selected Michigan star Tyrone Wheatley with the 17th overall pick. I trust Reeves' judgement, whatever it is. *Grade:* B+

17. **Bears**--Coach Dave Wannstedt is slowly pulling off a Jimmy Johnson-type job in Chicago. Heisman Trophy-winning RB Rashaan Salaam is a quality back, DT Patrick Riley is a fine talent, and LB Sean Harris of Arizona was underrated. Watch out for WR Jack Jackson of Florida from the fourth round. May have been in the top five draft ratings had Wannstedt gotten a quality young quarterback to develop. *Grade:* B

18. **Patriots**--A Super Bowl contender this season. CB Ty Law is Bill Parcell's type of player, and Pitt RB Curtis Martin could be a steal in the third round. *Grade:* B

19. **Raiders**--Napoleon Kaufman before Salaam? Al Davis is in trouble and doesn't have Art Shell to blame this time. *Grade:* B-

20. **Saints**--LB Mark Fields is solid, but is he enough for Jim Mora to save his job? *Grade:* B-

21. **Redskins**--Lusted for Ki-Jana Carter, but settled for WR Michael Westbrook.

# DEMONS: Offense erupts

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to win the first game 8-5. Lockwood led the Colonels going 2-for-4 with three RBI. Harris Dufrene (3-4) picked up the win for the Colonels in the opener.

Landstad supplied most of the Demon offense in the first game, blasting his third home run of the year, a three-run shot in the fifth inning, to cut the Colonel lead to 8-3. Northwestern added two more runs in the seventh on doubles by Joseph and Mark Burke.

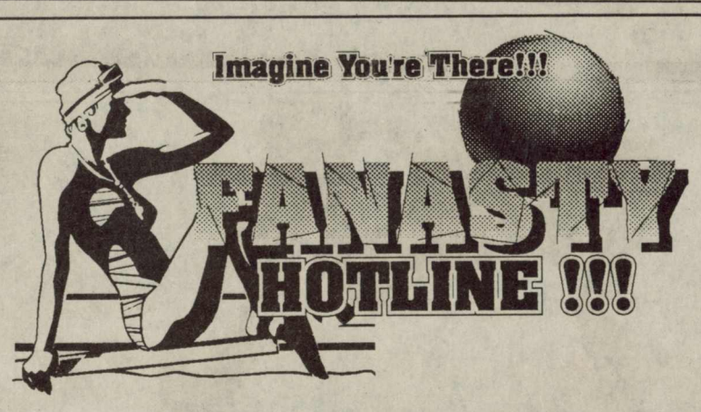
Northwestern's Zach Martin (7-4) took the loss in the first game for the Demons.

Nicholls scored three runs in the bottom of the first inning to take a 3-0 lead. Lockwood and Scott Marien each doubled after Eric Joseph tripled. Clint Cortez took the loss for the Colonels in game two, dropping his record to 6-3 on the season.

Stelly led off the second inning of the nightcap with a home runs to get the Demons on the board. Gilmore followed with a single and Shawn McHugh and Brad Duncan walked.

Joseph singled in Gilmore and McHugh scored on Landstad's hit-by-pitch. Donner drove in two with a single to give Northwestern a 5-3 lead.

The Demons travel to Grambling State today for a 2 p.m. game with the Tigers.

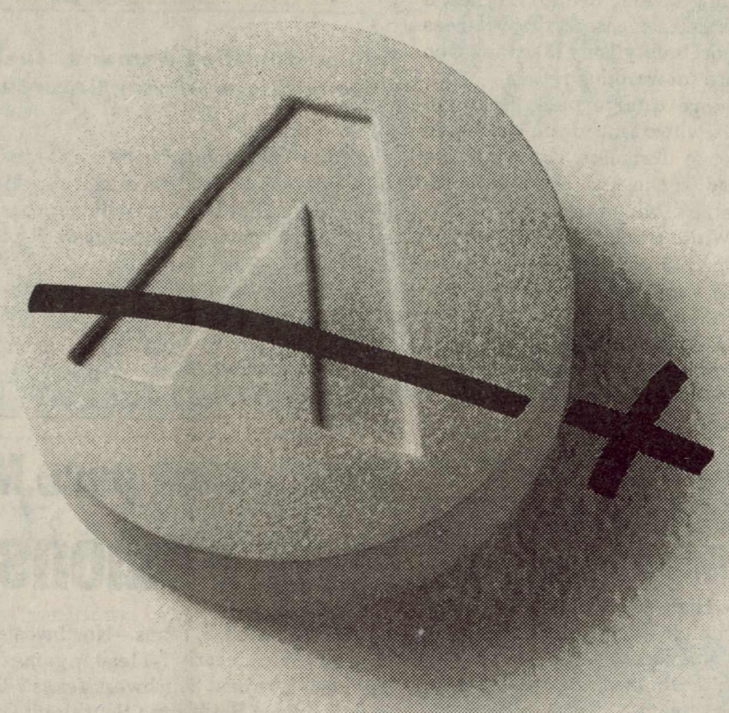



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# Pickin' a winner

## NFL teams try to make the grade with college draft



DavidWeaver

It was Christmas in April this past weekend for the 30 teams which make up the National Football League.

The league's collegiate draft has taken a hit in its importance to most teams recently, with the advent of free agency in the NFL. Most teams now draft to fill an immediate need, no matter the great athlete staring them in the face. In other words, if you're not picking in the top ten, the draft is a way of picking up a young player who might help you *now*, instead of four or five years down the road.

I diligently watched every last second of ESPN's coverage of the draft, and have come up with the final grades and rankings for the franchises who benefited the most from the draft, and those who simply should have just stayed at home:

1. **Eagles**--New coach Ray Rhodes wasted little time in displaying an eye for talent. He traded up to grab an instant starter in Boston College LB Mike Mamula with the seventh pick of the draft, and pulled off a steal with Notre Dame All-American CB Bobby Taylor with the 50th pick. *Grade:* A+

2. **Buccaneers**--Tampa coach Sam Wyche is living right. He should have been fired by this time, yet he still has a job and Lombardi Award winner Warren Sapp fell into his lap in the first round. The Bucs picked up perhaps five defensive starters in Sapp, Florida State LB Derrick Brooks and CB Clifton Abraham, Kentucky S Melvin Johnson, and Southern's Jerry Wilson, who torched the Demons last fall with an interception return for points. *Grade:* A+

3. **49ers**--Despite feeling that Carmen Policy stole a Super Bowl title last season, I have to give credit where it is due. The Niners wanted UCLA receiver J. J. Stokes, and got him with a shrewd move in the first round. They may have sewn up back-to-back titles in the process. *Grade:* A

4. **Panthers**--It's hard for an expansion team to screw up its first draft. Carolina didn't. QB Kerry Collins is a keeper, and third first-round pick Blake Brockermeyer is a solid tackle. *Grade:* A

5. **Bills**--Buffalo's best draft in years. The Bills, who hope to make a final run at the Super Bowl this season before a total rebuilding job, had a solid weekend with G Reuben Brown as the top pick and DB's Marlon Kerner and Ken Irvin. QB Todd Collins is a hopeful successor to aging Jim Kelly. *Grade:* A

6. **Jaguars**--Same as Carolina. Impossible to go wrong. *Grade:* A

7. **Colts**--A serious playoff contender now. DT Ellis Johnson and FB Zack Crockett are missing pieces to the puzzle. *Grade:* A

8. **Bengals**--Ki-Jana Carter. Enough said. *Grade:* A

9. **Rams**--Now that the move to St. Louis has been settled, the Rams settled down in a big way with DE Kevin Carter in the first round. He could be the next Bruce Smith. Zach Wiegert is a smart tackle, and Texas WR Lovell Pinkney may be the sleeper of the draft. *Grade:* A-

10. **Oilers**--Steve McNair is a classic reach, but his ability is worth a shot for Houston, who is desperate for a franchise quarterback after giving away Warren Moon a year ago. A solid, steady draft for a rebuilding team. *Grade:* A-

11. **Vikings**--Minnesota passed on Sapp with the 11th spot in the first round and may live to regret it. DE

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### *Bats come alive in 24-15 win in finale at Nicholls*

# Demons remain atop SLC with 14-4 record

THIBODAUX—Nicholls State plated 15 runs Sunday, but it was not enough to stop the Demons, who scored 24 in winning one of the highest scoring games in Southland Conference history.

The difference in the game was a nine-run third inning by the Demons, who continue to lead the SLC with a 14-4 mark and moved to 31-11 overall. Nicholls fell to 22-20 overall and 7-11 in the SLC after Northwestern took two of the three games this weekend between the two schools.

Trailing 4-2 at the start of the third inning, the Demons had a scary moment when all-everything center fielder Terry Joseph was hit in the head to lead off the inning. Joseph would eventually stay in and score on a Matt Donner single.

Northwestern got three straight RBI singles before Will Pearce lifted a sacrifice fly out to right field for the first out of the inning. Brad Duncan would then ground out to second base before Joseph, who had started the inning, would clear the bases with a two-out triple.

Right fielder Rob Landstad drove in Joseph on a double and came around to score when the Colonels could not control the ball. The inning would end mercifully for Nicholls when Donner struck out with the bases empty.

Eric Gilmore led the Northwestern offense, going 4-for-7 with two runs scored and four runs batted in. Duane Stelly, Donner and Landstad each added three RBI and combined to score seven runs.

Corey Bond started for the Demons on the mound and was relieved after only an inning and three earned runs. Jon Black then came in and give up four runs in a little over two innings, but still picked up his eighth win of the year.

Mike Ruhmann got his first save of the season for Northwestern despite giving up four home runs and seven earned runs.

The Colonels hammered out 16 hits of their own, led by Brett Lockwood's four hits, one of which was his fourth home run of the year. Nicholls' Darren Griffin cracked three home runs and drove in five.

In Saturday's doubleheader split to open the series, Donner's two-run single keyed a five-run second inning in game two as the Demons earned the split.

Northwestern won the nightcap 9-5 after losing the opener 8-5. Joseph had a big day for the Demons, going 4-for-7 with a triple and four runs scored. Brian Dulin (8-1) picked up the win for the Demons in game two.

Nicholls scored eight runs on eight hits

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# Goodwin satisfied with team depth

## Matthews, Jacquet shine in spring football scrimmage

Northwestern All-America candidate Clarence Matthews ran for 137 yards and a touchdown while playing only the first half Saturday, before his backup Brian Jacquet ran for a fourth-quarter touchdown and two-point conversion to give the White a 28-27 win over the Purple in a spring football scrimmage.

Matthews had an 18-yard touchdown run among his 18 carries. Jacquet ran for 67 yards on 14 carries, including a 16-yard touchdown with 12:14 remaining, and then dove over the goal line on a two-point conversion play to make the difference.

The contest was the first of two spring games for the Demons. Northwestern will cap spring drills next Saturday night at 6 p.m. with the Joe Delaney Memorial Bowl Turpin Stadium.

The Demons' first offensive and defensive units made up the White team while the rest of the squad comprised the Purple team. The Purple was given 10 points at the start of each half by Head Coach Sam Goodwin.

"The second group hung in there pretty good," Goodwin said. "No question we're deeper than we've been in my 13 seasons here. I feel good about it."

Defensive standouts included tackle Nathan Platt, who forced a fumble and had a sack; leading tackler George Haynes, a senior linebacker; senior safety Troy Barnes and sophomore safety Tony Maranto, who had a 22-yard interception return.

Sophomore quarterback Brandon Emanuel threw two touchdown passes, an eight-yarder to Jermaine Jones for the Purple squad in the first half and a 75-yarder to Patrick Palmer in the third quarter for the White team. Emanuel finished eight of 20 for 145 yards, including four of seven for 121 yards with the White team.

Redshirt freshman Warren Patterson was six of 15 passing for 56 yards, hitting only a 16-yard pass after he switched from the White to the Purple at halftime.



**Two unidentified Demons crash heads before last Saturday's spring scrimmage. The Demons will close spring workouts Saturday with the Joe Delaney Bowl in Turpin Stadium.** PHOTO BY JONATHAN WALLACE

"Our young quarterbacks aren't hitting on all cylinders," Goodwin said. "They'll do some great things but they still lack consistency. They're getting better but we do miss Brad Laird."

Laird, the Demons' returning starter, is being held out of contact work this spring after offseason wrist surgery.

Junior college transfer Gregory Mueller his field goals of 20 and 29 yards to put the White on the board. Emanuel countered with his touchdown to Jones, lifting the Purple to a 17-6 lead with 10:32 left in the first half.

Matthews closed the gap with his 18-yard touchdown run through the left side, splitting two defenders at the five and bursting into the end zone. The junior from St. Augustine High in New Orleans ran for 1,048 yards and nine touchdowns last season while earning first-team All-Southland Conference and All-Louisiana honors.

Emanuel hit Palmer perfectly in stride down the right sideline midway through the third quarter to get the White team within 27-20.

Jacquet's decisive points ended an 11-play, 71-yard march highlighted by his 12-yard pass reception on fourth-and-five at the Purple 40.

## *Texas shot putter signs track letter with Northwestern*

Kilgore High School star shot putter Tabitha Johnigan, second in the Texas Class 4A Championships last spring, has signed a track and field scholarship with Northwestern, women's track coach Dean Johnson said Thursday.

Johnigan's 1995 best of 46-2 ranks among the tops in all classifications in Texas and also would rank fourth in the Southland Conference if she were competing for the Lady Demons this season. The throw is just over two feet shy of the Northwestern school record of 48-5 1/4 by Peggy Lewis in 1992.

"Tabitha is one of the outstanding high school shot put competitors in Texas and will obviously have a big impact on our team immediately," Johnson said.

In track and field, Johnigan won the district title in the shot put and discus for the past two seasons and also took the district shot put title as a sophomore.

### Allen, Jones pace Northwestern at the plate

# Lady Demons improve at Southwest Texas

SAN MARCOS, Texas—Northwestern jumped out to an early 7-1 lead in game two and held on to beat Southwest Texas 7-5 to earn a split of Saturday's Southland Conference softball doubleheader.

In the opener, the Lady Bobcats (14-32, 7-21 SLC) broke a 2-2 tie with a run in the bottom of the eighth inning to gain their only win of the four-game stint with the Lady Demons. Northwestern (12-32, 6-22 SLC) swept Friday's twinbill 6-4, 4-2.

Natchitoches Central alumni Becca Allen and Sonia Jones continued their torrid hitting for the Lady Demons, registering two hits apiece in both games to lead the Lady Demons.

Allen doubled, tripled, and swiped two bases to go along with Friday's home run, her second of the year.

After a slow start, first baseman Cori Velotta has found her hitting stroke, adding two hits in the opener.

Anne Hamilton took the hard luck loss in game one, allowing just one earned run in eight solid innings of work.

Deven MacNair recorded her fifth win of the year in the nightcap, surrendering 10 hits and one earned run in a little over six innings. Vicki Bone came in to retire the last batter and earn her first save.

In Friday's action, Northwestern's Amy Thomas had a 10th innning RBI single in the first game, then scored twice in the nightcap as the Lady Demons swept the doubleheader.

Northwestern won the opener 6-4 in 10 innings and took the second game 4-2, turning three double plays. It was the first doubleheader sweep of the season for the Lady Demons.

Allen drilled a solo home run to put Northwestern up 1-0 in the opener. The Lady Demons forced extra innings with a two-run sixth as Robin Robinette tripled, Sonia Jones doubled her in and then scored on an error.

Northwestern scored three in the 10th. After an error put the Lady Demons ahead, Connie Christophe had an RBI double and Thomas followed with her run-scoring single.

Southwest Texas got one run across in the bottom of the inning, but pitcher Anne Hamilton kept the Lady Bobcats in check.

Five SWT errors helped the Lady Demons win the second game. Allen put Northwestern ahead to stay in the first with an RBI single, scoring Thomas, who had reached on an error. Two SWT errors, a passed ball, a wild pitch and singles by Macnair and Jennifer Painter combined for a 3-0 Lady Demon lead in the third inning.

Hamilton picked up her first save of the year.

**Special alcohol and drug awareness issue**



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Rowing team struggles for funds while succeeding on the water



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*Down to Earth* theme of 1995 *Potpourri*.



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Personal responsibility major factor in alcohol use


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## World Report

### CAMPUS

**SIGMA KAPPA SORORITY ASSUMES DORMANT STATUS**: The Delta Mu Chapter of Sigma Kappa sorority voted to assume dormant status last week because of declining membership. "Although it was extremely difficult for us to make this decision, we are grateful for the bond of friendship we have formed with Northwestern State University, its Greek community and most importantly ourselves," Christine Dodge, Sigma Kappa president, said. Sunday night, members of Sigma Kappa assumed alumnae status.

**DEBATE TEAM MAKES STRONG FINISH:** Despite having a young team, the NSU debate team finished the season as one of the top teams in the nation.

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**NSU HORN CHOIR TO GIVE FINAL CONCERT:** On Wednesday, the horn choir will give its final performance at 7:30 p.m. in the Magale Recital Hall. The ensemble is comprised of the top 10 French horn players at Northwestern. The program will include Handel's *Water Music*, Humperdinck's *Hansel and Gretel*, Sousa's *Liberty Bell March* and other works.

### CITY

**BOYS, GIRLS CLUB NEED TOY DONATIONS:** The Boys and Girls Club of Natchitoches need donations of toys. According to Joe Lazure, executive director, items can be dropped off at any of the Natchitoches clubs. For more information call 352-6268.

### STATE

**LEGISLATURE BEGINS SIXTH WEEK OF SESSION:** The House Appropriations Committee may move the $12 million budgett to the floor of the House. Most of the budget involves the Medicaid program.

### NATION

**MAJORITY OF NEW TEACHERS AVOID URBAN SCHOOLS:** The best-trained education majors are choosing to teach where they're needed least, according to an education researcher at Southern Illinois University. Most newly trained teachers are choosing to teach in small towns and suburbs instead of urban schools, where trained teachers are badly needed, said Sharon L. Gilbert, associate professor in SIUC's Department of Curriculum and Instruction. The shortage of trained teachers in urban schools may be the greatest source of educational inequity for poor and minority urban students, Gilbert said. Because of the shortage, urban schools frequently hire people who may be college graduate but have had no teacher training, which means they are ineligible for state certification as teachers.

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# Housing department makes changes

## New security systems and additional house directors to be added in the Fall

DEREK RABUCK
*Current Sauce*

Several changes were made in the housing office such as adding a new security system and new positions. Northwestern is currently restructuring the department.

One of the major changes began with Harold Boutte's new position. According to Fred Fulton, dean of students, Boutte, director of housing, was promoted to the position of assistant to the president and has also assumed the responsibility of being the director of auxiliary services.

"As director of auxiliary services, he has assumed responsibility, in addition to housing and dining services, for the campus vending services, the campus bookstore and for the campus post office," Fulton said.



**Boutte**

Fulton also said that on March 1 the housing position previously handled alone by Billy St. Andre was divided into two separate positions. Shelisa Theus became coordinator of residential life and is responsible for the day-to-day operation of the residence halls.

"I love the idea of working with the RAs [residential assistants] because I think they can change a lot while dealing with the people they reside over," Theus said. Theus explained that one of her new responsibilities will be to improve the disciplinary procedure used by the housing program.

"Another improvement in housing will by the disciplinary procedure," she said. "Rules and regulations will be strictly enforced. Students who do not abide by the student code of conduct will be handled as necessary."

St. Andre, coordinator of residential facilities, is now responsible for maintenance reports, dormitory inspections, house directors and the new security system that is currently being placed in Rapides and Sabine. According to St. Andre, students will use the their ID cards to gain access through the front doors of the dorm of where they reside.

"When a student wants to enter a dormitory, they have to swipe their card through the card reader and it will give them access," Fulton said. "It's to improve security, but that [the card access system] does not mean that we will pull off the night time security."

The system will be monitored by St. Andre and will allow the University to have a more detailed record of who enters the dorms. Fulton hopes the card access system will give the night time security personnel more mobility, which will help make the dormitories more secure for the students.

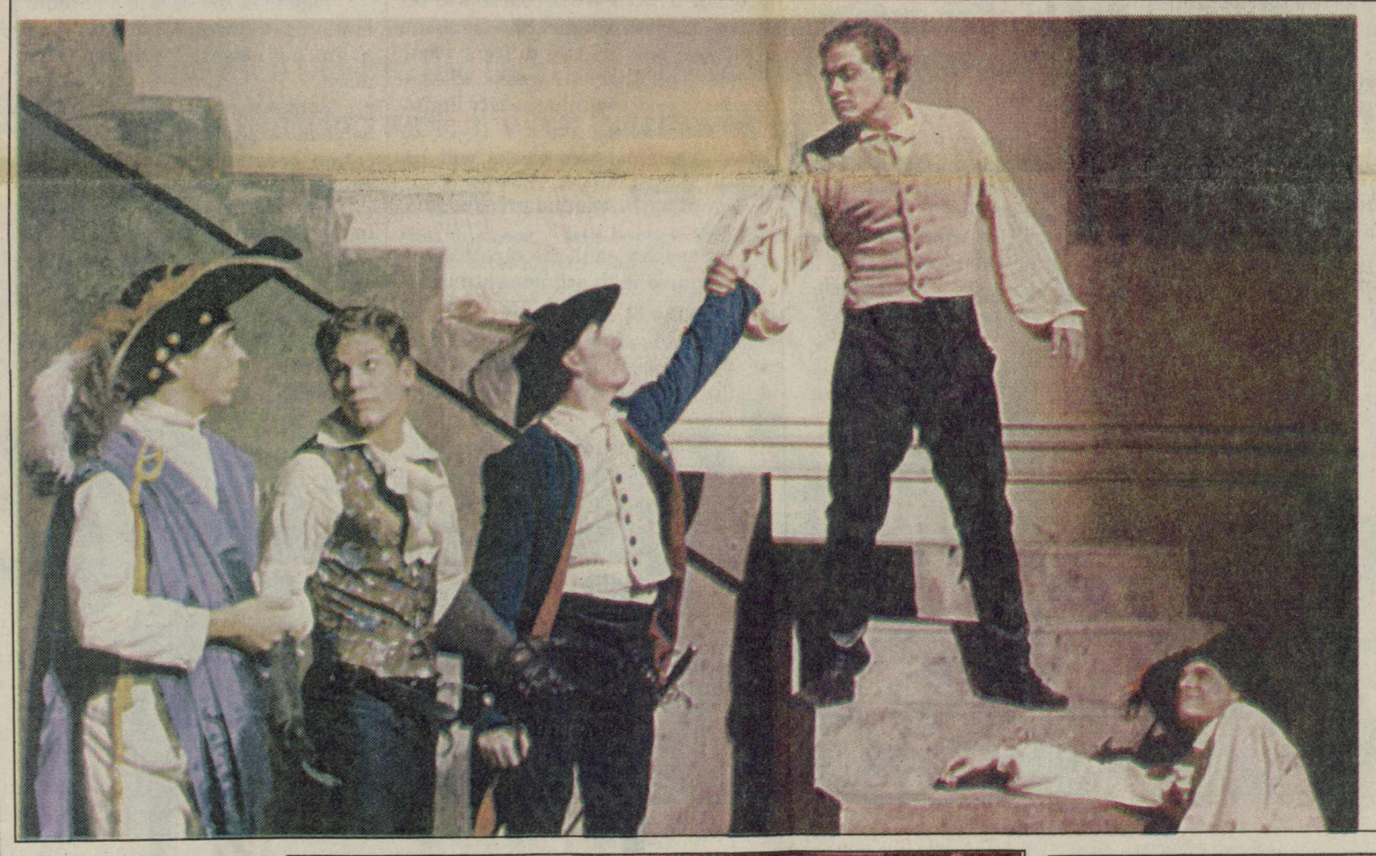
Three new house director positions have also been established. "There was a need for some changes and those needs could have been foreseen several years ago," Fulton said.

"I have always had a concern about the inequity in how many people each house director was responsible for. The opportunity lent itself and the timing was right to where we could move right now."

According to Fulton there will be three house directors at Rapides in the east, west and south wings. Fulton says that each wing will be operated as separate units.

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## Practice Makes Perfect...







**Members of the *Romeo and Juliet* cast (top) listen to instructions from Dr. Jack Wann, head of the theater deparment. (Below right and left) The cast practices various scenes before their performance. See related story on page 3.**

PHOTOS BY JONATHAN WALLACE

# Many suffer from binge drinking

MARCO BUSCAGLIA
*College Press Service*

A bad hangover isn't the only effect of a drinking binge.

While researchers say that 44 percent of college students are binge drinkers, they add that nearly 90 percent of all students have suffered from the binge drinking of others.

Binge drinking is not a problem solely of the person who drinks," Jeff Merril, vice president of the Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse at Columbia University, said. "It affects the whole fiber of the college campus."

The Harvard School of Public Health found that 87 percent of college students suffered from "secondary binge effects" that were caused by the binge drinking of others. These secondary effects range from insults to sexual assault.

Binge drinking is defined as consumption of five or more drinks in a row for men or four or more drinks in a row for women on one or more occasions during a two week period.

After surveying 17,592 students across the nation, the Harvard study found that:

- 68 percent of the surveyed students had been interrupted while sleeping or studying by a binge drinker.
- 54 percent had to take care of a drunken student.
- 34 percent had been insulted or humili-

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# Brass quintet to perform in New Orleans

Northwestern's student brass quintet were selected to perform as part of the 1995-96 Junior Philharmonic Society of New Orleans Concert series. They received this honor through a rigorous audition process this semester.

The Junior Philharmonic Society of New Orleans has sponsored the annual auditions, and many performers have gone on to illustrious musical careers such as the late Norman Tregle, Wynton Marsalis and Harry Connick, Jr.

The members of the group are Mindy Cox, Jamie Calliet, Robert Calkins, Gus Hoffman and Richard Ratliff."It's a great honor to be able to perform in a series that has helped launch the careers of musicians such as Marsalis and Connick," Hoffman, a senior music major, said. "It's good exposure for us as a group."

"It's also good exposure for the university," Calkins said. "Over the past three years this department has grown. Northwestern has recognition for education but this gives us a chance to show the public that it has a really good music program with talented students."

The group spends a lot of time together outside of their twice a week rehearsals. "We all get along well, were pretty good friends," Hoffman said. "We have a lot of mutual friends, so we spend a lot of time together."

Although each student takes private instruction from different teachers and even though Rodriguez coaches them, the group doesn't always sit back and take directions. "We get direction from outside forces," Hoffman said.

"We decide when, where and what to play. Everyone in the group gives input and we make our decisions based on our capabilities," he said. Hoffman, Calliet and Calkins have professional music aspirations. Ratliff is undecided. Cox wants to go into music therapy.

The brass quintet will perform Wednesday May 3, at 7:30 p.m. in the Magale Recital Hall.



**Members of the brass quintet are (left to right) Robert Calkins, Gus Hoffman, Richard Ratliff, Jamie Calliet and Mindy Cox**

# News Briefs



## Debate team finishes on top

Northwestern's debate team completed its 1994-95 season as one of the top teams in the country, finishing the year at 14th in the final Cross Examination Debate Association standings.

The University won the national championship last year and finished second in 1993. The debate team has finished in the top 25 nationally in each of its five years of competition.

The University of Missouri-Kansas City captured the national championship, Gonzaga was second and Cornell was third. Among state universities, McNeese State University and Southeastern Louisiana University tied for 31st.

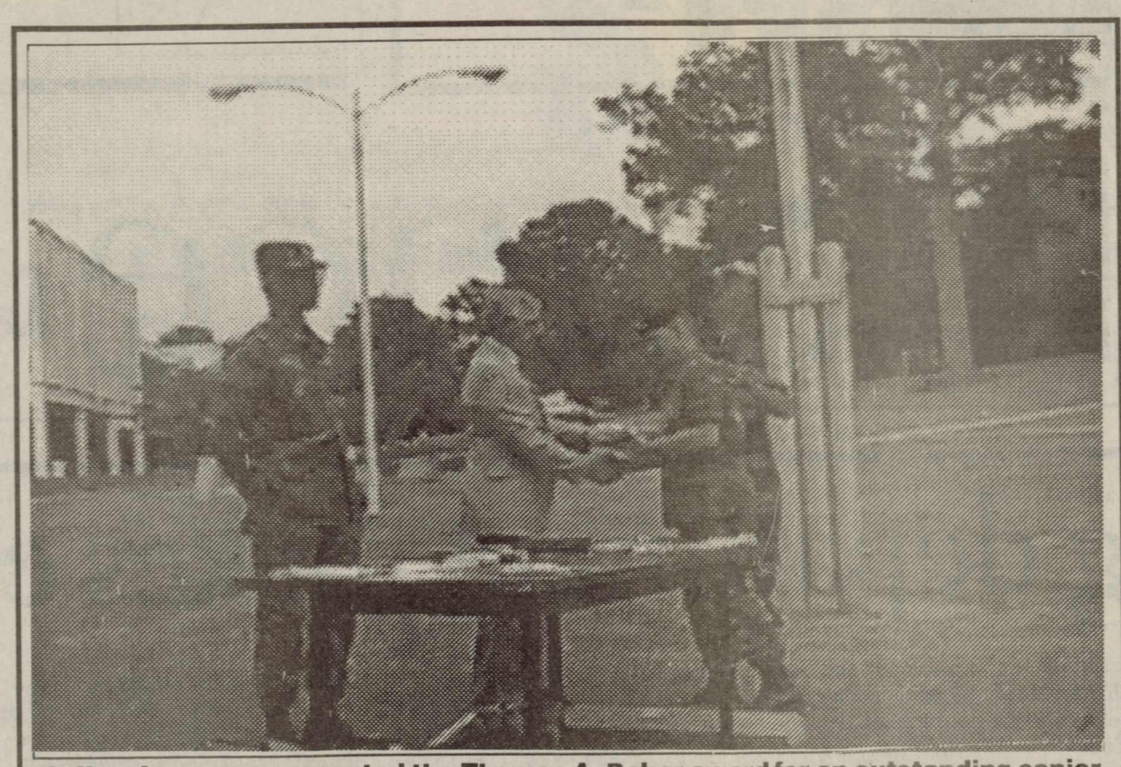
CEDA standings are based on performances at sanctioned debate tournaments throughout the academic year.

"I really didn't expect to finish so high this year," Todd Graham, director of debate, said. "It was a rebuilding year. We had to make a lot of progress to compete and we did it."

The team of sophomores Sherry Barnett and Jeremy Talton began the year by finishing 17th at the National Debate Tournament in San Diego. Barnett and Talton advanced to the elimination rounds in the field of 230 and defeated the top team from the University of Vermont in the 64th round. They were beaten by a team from Emporia State in the round of 32.

Graham hopes to lead Northwestern back in to the top 10 next year.

"We will still be a young team," he said. "We are adding debaters from Louisiana, Georgia and Nevada who will help our program move back up."



**Jeffery Long was presented the Thomas A. Baker award for an outstanding senior ROTC student. The student must exemplify leadership, discipline and academic excellence.**

## Folk festivals to focus on state highways

The Natchitoches-NSU Folk Festival will focus on the highways which connect the people of Louisiana during the 16th annual Festival set for July 14-15. The festival will be held in Prather Coliseum.

The Festival theme will be *From Buffalo Trails to Interstates: Historic Roads and Trails of Louisiana*. Exhibits on the El Camino Real, Military Roads, Indian Trails, early road maps, state-of-the-art transportation technology, Colonial French Trails, Nolan's Trace, and the Natchitoches-Opelousas Trail will be presented.

The Louisiana Endowment for the Humanities will help fund the festival's focus on roads with a grant from its mini-grant program. Help from the LEH will fund the Louisiana roads program scheduled for 1 p.m. until 5 p.m. on Friday afternoon.

Nine new music groups will perform at this year's festival. HeeHaw's million-dollar fiddler, Johnny Gimble will be the headliner among the 24 performing groups.

Each year, the festival presents the traditional Louisiana Crafts Group. Newcomers this year will include mandolin maker Luke Thompson, Osage bowmaker Phil Cross, Nalda Gilmore with powder and blowing horns, Jeraldine Red Corn with Caddo pottery, and broom maker J.A. Tippett. More than 40 other traditional craftspeople will demonstrate crafts during the Festival.

The Fourth Annual Gumbo Cookoff will highlight the food component of the festival.

The Natchitoches - NSU Folk Festival is among the top five festivals in North Louisiana in terms of size and economic impact. During its 15-year history, the event has drawn visitors from all 50 states and many foreign countries and is frequently listed by the Southeastern Tourism Society as one of the top 25 events in the region during the month of July.

For a $25 donation, friends of the Natchitoches/NSU Folk Festival may purchase advance tickets which may be used for any show.

## NSU to offer underwater archaeology

Anthropology will take on a different look this summer at Northwestern. During the summer, two unique upper-level anthropology courses will be offered to give students practical experience in specialized areas.

One course, anthropology 4200, is being taught for the first time at Northwestern July 7-21. The class will focus on techniques used in underwater archaeology and will help prepare students for participating in underwater archaeological field work. Students will receive an overview of methods used in underwater archaeology, including archaeological survey and remote sensing, underwater site recording and excavation, preliminary artifact conservation and laboratory analysis.

Dr. Tommy Hailey, Northwestern's underwater conservator, will be the instructor. Prerequisites include anthropology 3020 and open water diving certification.

The second course will be anthropology 4100, a field school course. The six-week course will be taught by Dr. Michael Sheehan and will be held at two diffrent locations. The first four weeks will be spent at a site within the city limits of Natchitoches.

The final two weeks will be spent at Los Adaes, the site of an early Spanish colonial presidio and mission.

Sheehan said the objective of this course is to acquaint students with the basic concepts of archaeological mapping, survey, and excavation. This course will be held 9 a.m. to noon daily from May 22 through June 30. The prerequisite for the course is anthropology 3020 or permission of the instructor.

For more information on the classes, contact the Department of Social Sciences at 357-6195.

## LSIP works to improve math instruction

Lafern Johnson is working to make sure that students aren't the only ones that keep learning. Johnson, site coordinator with the Louisiana Systemic Initiatives Program at Northwestern is working with teachers and students to develop better ways to teach mathematics.

"Mathematics is something that is with us every day if we realize it or not," Johnson said. "It's something that can be fun if it is presented in the right way."

Johnson emphasized presenting math in a fun way isn't a method of watering down the curriculum or making the courses easier. She said the objective is to present the material in a different way.

One method is to use manipulatives to teach mathematical concepts. Manipulatives may be building blocks, fraction rings, fraction circles or any other tool that students can physically handle to help them learn a subject.

"These manipulatives are effective tools," she said. "We instruct the teachers on how to use them in the best ways. They bring them back to the classroom and give students a chance to use free exploration and do what they want to do with them. By giving them a chance to explore on their own, they can learn concepts easier."

One idea she uses is a parents' math night. Parents visit the school to find out how their children learn math.

Johnson said that parent involvement is vital to the child's education because the parent is the child's first teacher.

Getting parents more involved in their children's education is one of the objectives of the Goals 2000 program.


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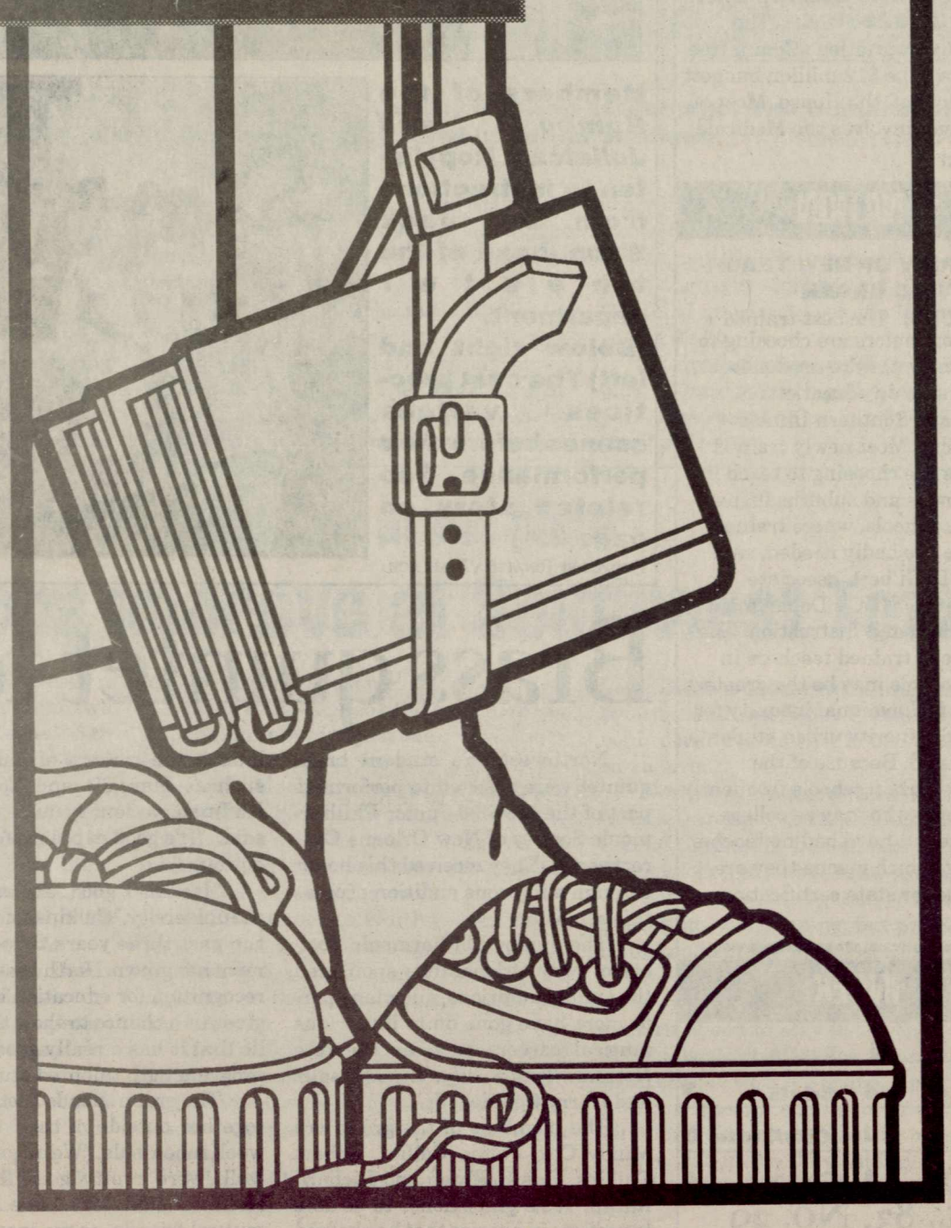

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# Student takes back life after drug, alcohol addiction

KERI CHAMPION
*Current Sauce*

"Eventually, the more I drank the less I found I wanted to drink."

**"Jesse"**

*Editors' Note: This student's name has been changed to protect his privacy .*

There are many dangers in taking drugs and alcohol. One student at Northwestern tells how drugs and alcohol affected his life.

*Jesse had a happy childhood, anything he needed was provided and he was cared for by his parents; however, there was also a history of alcohol abuse in his family. "I guess it was one of those predetermined things," he said.

Alcohol has been known to be hereditary. Many alcoholics have had prior history of alcohol and/or drug abuse in their families.

Jesse began using marijuana at the age of 19 and had been abusing alcohol at the age of about 17. "I would go out with the intention of only having one or two drinks, but I would end up drinking constantly until the end of the night."

He used marijuana for two years. At first he used it in small quantities but steadily increased the amount taken. While smoking marijuana he unknowingly experimented with PCP when it was laced in one of the joints.

Alcohol and drugs also made his health deteriorate. "I was hospitalized twice for low blood pressure and anorexia, I was close to dying," Jesse said. He also began contemplating suicide as a consequence of alcohol abuse. He began starving himself in an attempt to die; he no longer cared to live.

"Depression was highly involved in my usage," he said. "The doctor told me to stop in June. I began again in September. It was a cry for help."

Substance abuse also ruined Jesse's social life. "I had been seeing someone for two-and-a half years," he said. My repeated use of alcohol ultimately ruined our relationship.

Jesse was committed to an institution for drugs and alcohol at the advisement of a physician. He was in a mental institution for eight days and was then committed to a halfway house in Gonzales, La. He was kicked out after four months for breaking rules. He had threatened to kill one of the counselors.

Jesse was then placed in another institution. Later, Jesse decided to go to a state hospital and rehabilitation clinic. Jesse stayed there for 70 days where he had an option of returning to the halfway house or getting a vocational rehabilitation scholarship upon completing the program.

"After the first time I was in the halfway house I realized I had a problem. Eventually, the more I drank the less I found I wanted to drink." Jesse has now been sober for 18 months. He is enrolled in the 12-step program and is attending Northwestern on a rehabilitation scholarship. The Wesley Westminster Foundation located at 520 College Ave. is hosting Alcoholics Anonymous meetings at noon on Thursday afternoons. Call 352-2888 for details.

## *Students benefit from 12-step program*

LESLIE HENNIGAN
*Current Sauce*

Drug and alcohol abuse is a wide-spread problem, but Northwestern is one university cracking down on this difficulty.

Drugs and alcohol are not beneficial to health or healthy living and can be very threatening to the stability of grades and relationships. However, each student is different in the way he or she deals with the problem of substance abuse. Northwestern counselors offer one-on-one sessions for these students and also provide a list of all the local AA (Alcoholics Anonymous) and NA (Narcotics Anonymous) chapters for those who need group counseling. Only students who ask for help are sent to the groups.

All students who are sent to one of these groups go through a 12-step program which helps them raise their self-esteem and conquer their drinking problem. These 12 steps are based on the belief in a higher power.

When a person begins the treatment, his or her first step is to admit that he or she has no control over the abuse problem. As the individual progresses in the program, he or she also learns to admit his or her problems to others and to look to God or a higher power for strength.

When a person reaches the final step in his or her therapy, he or she will have gained spiritual enlightenment and learned how to resist the temptation of alcohol.

Students living in the dorms received visits from some Northwestern counselors this semester. Presentations in the dorms are the main method used by the University in getting the message across that drugs and alcohol are dangerous.

"We want students to understand the dangers of substance abuse," Jennifer Maggio, counselor and main speaker of the presentations, said.

Some students recently got together and formed an AA chapter at Northwestern because they said that the local chapters are mostly made up of older people from the community and those attending felt they needed a chapter where college students could relate to one another. Their meetings are held at noon every Thursday at the Wesley Westminster Foundation.

# DOWN TO EARTH

BRIDGETTE M. MORVANT
*Current Sauce*

"The idea behind the theme is to give students a straightforward look at what Northwestern is about.

**Jeremy Broussard, 1995 *Potpourri* editor**

The 1995 *Potpourri*, available during regular business hours in Rm. 227 Kyser Hall through Friday, is *Down to Earth*.

The title of the book is more than a name, it's a theme, according to Jeremy Broussard, the yearbook's editor in chief. "*Down to Earth* means down to earth in the sense of straightforward," he said. "The idea behind the theme is to give students a straight forward look at what Northwestern is about."

Broussard described the book as having a relaxed layout, "fun-looking-but-still-serious designs" and articles that answer the sort of questions Northwestern students would ask.

The book covers hot topics such as ARAMARK prices and what it's like to be handicapped at Northwestern. *Down to Earth* also includes an entire section devoted solely to the University's nursing campus in Shreveport. But, the coverage doesn't stop there.

"We tried to cover some national issues, but definitely from a Northwestern stance," Broussard said. "We didn't want just the same stuff that everybody could read or turn on CNN and find out. We wanted [to write] what Northwestern students thought about the World's Cup; what did Northwestern students think about O. J. Simpson.

"This is not the classical yearbook. It's not intended to be the classical yearbook. They [students] need to know that this book was intended to be 1995 at Northwestern. This book is intended to go out of style. I didn't want to create a timeless book — the whole staff didn't want to create a timeless book — full of fluff that'll apply to every generation for the rest of their life. You want to pick up this book — you want to look at it, just the cover, and think, "Oh, God, I remember that. . . ."

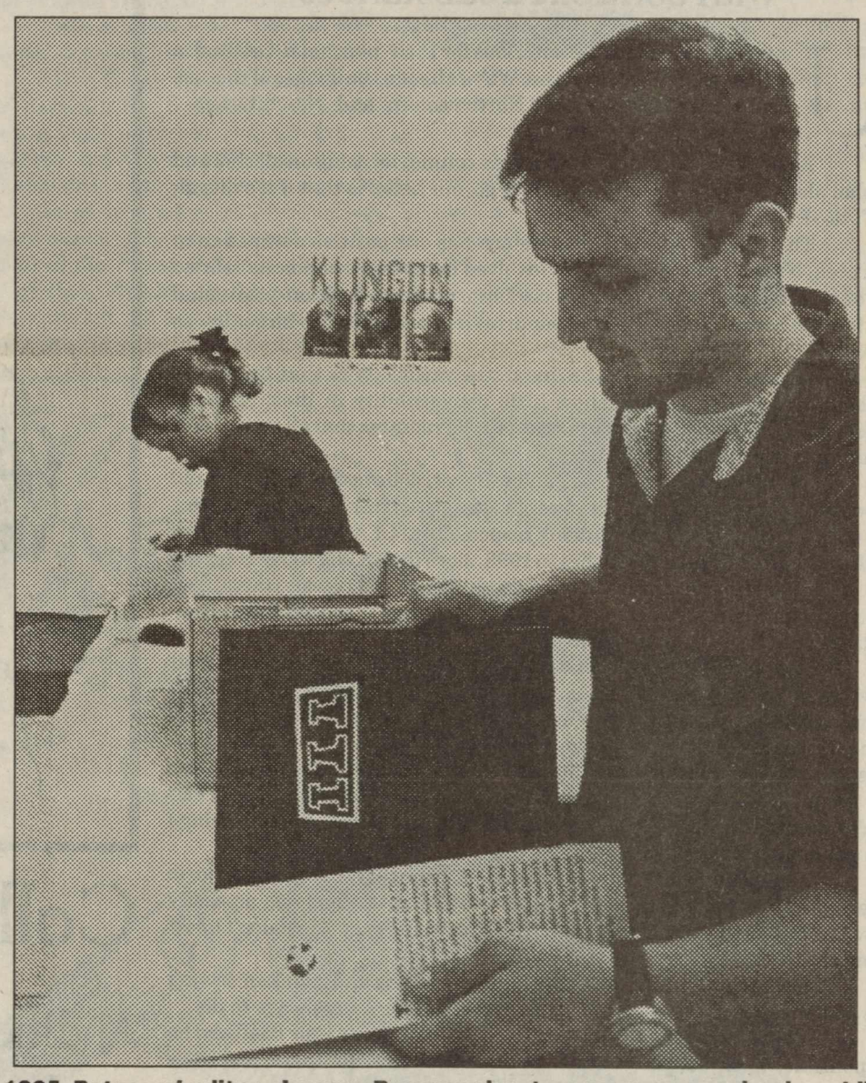
One thing that the entire *Potpourri* staff will remember is the long hours dedicated to producing this year's book. "But you'd have to measure it in hours because sometimes you work on the book nonstop for a week, literally, and sleep in the office for three nights out of the week, especially around Christmas time," Broussard said. "We really worked a lot. But, sometimes, namely this semester, we'd go for weeks on end and never, never touch any part of the yearbook and that was because we did so much work in the fall."

To help the long nights become more tolerable, the *Potpourri* staff developed a fun-loving attitude. According to Broussard, he followed the advice of 1993 *Potpourri* editor, Jeff Breaux. Breaux's words of wisdom included: Don't worry the yearbook will happen. Even if it seems impossible, it will all work out. Know when to stop and have fun, otherwise the yearbook will become something you don't want to do anymore and the book will be a disaster. And, finally, never rush the creative aspects, like the theme. Just let it come naturally.

Broussard said that he and his staff learned a lot from their work throughout the year, including facts about the publishing industry and how to deal with people and their image of the press. However, the experience also proved enlightening on a more personal level.

"Probably the greatest thing we learned, our greatest achievement the staff had was [becoming] one strong cooperative effort toward creating a damn good publication. . . . You realize that so many people cooperating — it's a yearbook machine; it's great."

In addition to Broussard, the 1995 "yearbook machine" included Brenda Bryant, assistant editor; Dawn Vallery, managing editor; Nikole Neuner, photography editor; Cassandra Lee, copy editor; Katie Malinsky, assistant copy editor; Mark LeBlanc, layout editor; Danielle Favors, assistant layout editor; Marc Kimble, public relations and Paula Crover, general overall assistant.




**1995 *Potpourri* editor, Jeremy Broussard puts covers on yearbooks while Dawn Vallery, managing editor, and Katie Malinsky, assistant copy editor, distribute books to students.**

PHOTO BY BRIDGETTE M. MORVANT

## *Students party without alcohol*

MIRANDA COON WITH
*College Press Service*

Yea! It's finally the weekend, and after a hard week of classes and hassles with homework, boy, are you ready to party. But, these days, can you "party" with your friends and still have fun without alcohol?

Members of the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity at Indiana University in Bloomington, Ind., say yes. At ATO's "Alcatraz" party the student's selections of drinks included Coke, Diet Coke and Sprite. "You can have a great party, with the music and the food, just serve different types of drinks," Laura Billingsly, undeclared junior said.

ATO is one of the few "substance free" fraternities on college campuses, meaning it allows no alcohol — or cigarettes — on it's premises. The chapter adopted the policy in August 1993 when it reopened with new members after having been suspended in 1992.

The university imposed the suspension after a pledge nearly drank himself to death. Dennis Jay was pressured by other members to drink large quantities of beer, wine and whiskey. He was taken to a local hospital, where his blood alcohol content was .04 per cent. Luckily, Jay survived but the old ATO did not.

ATO would be allowed to return to campus the following semester if it barred its old members, hired a live-in advisor and ended the semester-long pledge periods during which pledges were hazed. "Alcohol tends to lead to more violence, that's why alcohol at fraternity and sorority parties is being eliminated," Brian Cable, a freshman anthropology major, said.

During their first year back, few sororities wanted to be paired with ATO at major campus events, but according to Jon Gorman, the chapter president, that is changing. The women consider ATO the "gentlemen of the campus."

Some women say the combination of excessive alcohol and racing hormones at other fraternities make them leery of sexual harassment. According to *Teen Magazine*, about 90 percent of reported college rapes involve drinking by either the victim, the attacker or both.

The effects of frequent drinking can be severe for students as well as their colleges. The grades of students may drop, for several reasons, including poor concentration and slowed thinking; frequent absences from classes because of poor health or a lack of interest. Problems getting along with other students or teachers can also result and contribute to the problems.

Another way students can get in trouble is by drinking and driving. Most first-time offenders can count on losing their license or paying a large fine. The penalty for second or third time offenders can carry a prison term of up to five years in some states.

Students' frequent drinking may also begin to affect the university which they attend. Vandalism and damage of school property can add extra cost to the tuition and fees students pay.

The misuse of alcohol can contribute to fights, assaults, robberies and a climate of fear on campus, leading to restrictions placed upon students, such as tighter security or curfews.

An overall damaged reputation may hinder the college's quality of education, because of a lack of funding and bad relationships with the community.

## Romeo & Juliet ends theater season well

### Actors vividly portray tragic characters

HANK CANNON
*Current Sauce*

Dr. Jack Wann, director, with the aid of elaborate sets and lighting, detailed costuming and a huge cast, brought his vision of Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet,* which ran from Thursday to Sunday, to the stage here at Northwestern to end the 1994-95 theater season.

Because of its popularity, *Romeo and Juliet* is one of the most widely staged plays in the country but, each performance is different, because each director is attempting to bring his or her own vision of the story to life upon the stage.

In the casting of the title roles Wann captured the youth of the characters, bringing home to the audience that Romeo and Juliet were a very young couple even by our standards.

According to some scholars, depending upon which class one takes and what edition of whichever book is used, Juliet was 13 years old, because her nurse states that she is "not yet 14," and Romeo could be anywhere between 15 and 17. Because they were therefore under the guardianship of their parents they had to run away to get married. The casting of Melissa Randall as Juliet and Sammy Brewster as Romeo gave the veneer of prepubescent youth. .

Brewster did a marvelous job of playing a young man caught in the tides of love. Brewster made the stress Romeo felt palpable to the audience. His Romeo did not have the lack of sensitivity that many male leads are plagued with. He did not simply scream his fury. The anguish felt through his words and tones rained upon the audience.

**REVIEW**

Randall played Juliet as a young girl just reaching maturity. While some would call her interpretation of Juliet "ditzy," her character is a nubile, barely pubescent girl, with hormones in her veins and vapors in the brain. Women were rarely given free reign with their lives in Shakespeare's time. They were used primarily as baby factories with dreams of marriage and motherhood imprinted on them since birth. Women of noble blood frequently were kept naive and romantic about the world until they got married. Randall portrayed Juliet as a girl for whom the world was still a romance despite the feud in which her family was embroiled. Despite all of the vapors, she did well.

Angel Guidroz, in comedic style, lightened the atmosphere as Juliet's nurse and Leah Coleman worked the role of Lady Capulet with "Cruella DeVille" style.

The fight scenes choreographed by guest artist Scott Thrasher revitalized the action when the play lulled.

The scenery, designed by Ronald A. Naversen, and costumes, designed by Sharon Foster, intermeshed to bring Verona to life.

The students, faculty and staff of the theater department put in long hours to get Romeo and Juliet ready, not only in rehearsals but in set construction and costume creation. Romeo and Juliet came together with a smoothness that belied its technical and blocking complexity. Everyone involved deserves applause.

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**Our**View

## Drug and Alcohol: Uses and Abuses

### Responsibility important when dealing with controlled substances

**University students are notorious for their nonchalant attitudes** about drug and alcohol use. We've all seen the images of this use and abuse even around Northwestern and Natchitoches—especially on Thursdays.

Before we go any further, this is an column focusing on alcohol and alcohol alone. As far as other substances go, our belief is that if it's illegal, don't do it.

That said, it seems Northwestern has one positive distinction in this area. Namely, our students are involved in far fewer accidents related to abuse. A big part of the reason is our large proportion of non-traditional students. Another reason could be our drinking students go to larger towns to party.

Another reason could be due to the various laws that have been passed to curtail those who show little responsibility in their drinking habits. The Surface Transportation Act of 1982 requires that all states have a minimum drinking age of 21.

Yet many people, 20 years and younger, believe that if they are old enough to go to war and vote, they are old enough to drink. This may be true, but the majority are not able to drink responsibily. Of Americans who died in alcohol and drug-related crashes in 1993, more than 5,000 were under the age of 25. Despite the minimum legal drinking age of 21 in all states, 32.5 percent of fatally-injured drivers under 21 had known blood alcohol concentrations (BACs) of .01 or above in 1993.

Simply making sure that young people don't drink alcohol and drive is not enough to solve the problem. Parents, school officials and communities must continue to ensure that underage youth do not drink alcohol. This kind of encouragement from our "elders" is important, but we must not overlook the influence that peers can have on one and other. If you are around a friend who you know has had too much to drink, stop them, don't encourage them. Whenever you hesitate to restrain a friend things can get out of hand quickly.

For example, last year during a fraternity party seven girls received alcohol poisoning from excessive drinking in what was an easily preventable incident -- a prime example of how some people just don't know when to stop.

So many of the deaths from alcohol poisoning and drunken driving are just a waste of a human life. These are truly senseless ways to die.

The bottom line is when you go out drinking, use your head and be responsible. Look out for yourself and your friends, brothers, sisters -- whoever is important to you.

A life could depend on it.

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## Regulation of cyberspace is impossible



**Madelyn**Boudreaux

Banana Notes

When couched in the over-simplified terms of teenagers and radio announcers, the difference between "conservatives" and "liberals" is that the former want less government regulation and the latter want more.

To the more intellectually aggressive, of course, it appears obvious that this is too easy a way in which to view these groups. Although the right-wing generally favors less legislation regarding, say, big-business, they tend toward hard-line control of certain substances. And while leftists often can be heard arguing for the regulation of guns, they are also likely to demand that the government keep its nose out of various acts best left in the bedroom.

And so it goes, with plenty of finger-pointing and name-calling, until the rights and the privileges of Americans have become the playground of those elected officials in the Capitols of the country.

For quite a while now, these elected officials have been rehashing the same tired old problems, playing tug-of-war with various Amendments and getting little accomplished.

But as the "Information Age" matures, and the technology with which the public can play seems to replicate faster than we can learn to use it, our officials now have plenty of new problems to keep them busy.

The latest target of congressional regulation-rage is the Internet, that amorphous and difficult-to-understand network of computers. Everyone is talking about the 'net, but few people seem to understand it. In fact, I'd bet most of the people babbling about it have never even used it.

In the past year, knowledge of the Internet, and it's spectral, capitalistic twin, the "Information Superhighway" has engulfed the popular cultural of this country. It's everywhere, from news magazines to daytime soaps, and nearly wherever it's discussed, the information given ranges from vaguely misleading to glaringly wrong.

The mythology of the 'net is incredible to its denizens. For instance, despite the seeming interchangeability of the words "Internet" and "Information Superhighway," for instance, they are two very different things, and the second doesn't really exist yet. Commercial services like America Online are not the Internet. There's more to it than e-mail. And the 'net isn't populated only by Coke-bottle bespectacled teenagers.

And while it is probably the occasional meeting place for terrorists, pornographers and credit card thieves, it hosts as many cat-lovers, Christians and people who just want to exchange recipes for a good cherry pie.

One thing that many, possible even most, of the citizens of cyberia have in common, though, is astrong opinion that nobody better mess with the internal structure of the 'net.

Although no one can really pin down the political climate of cyberspace, there does appear to be an attitude there that cuts across traditional party lines. The 'net is, to many of its users, a frontier-land, and as in all those old Clint Eastwood movies, no outsider is gonna come in and tell the people of this global town how to conduct their business.

Lately the attention the 'net has attracted from the media has been decidedly negative. Proponents of decency and anti-porn feminists are in an uproar over the "creative"

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## College life full of absurdities, positive elements

### And the No. 1 most-used word at NSU is...WAAH!



**Jeff**Guin

Editor's Note

Anyone who knows me also knows that popularity means nothing to me. I'm content to make a few close friends and regard everyone else with a 'professional' distance.

That quality has helped me a lot this year as editor of this publication. The people that didn't view it as outright unfriendliness thought I was being objective, and, in many cases, I was. Contrary to the beliefs of my staff, I do have opinions on things even if I normally don't express them openly.

I began my tenure as editor-in-chief a little under a year ago in a format much like this one. I wrote about my hopes for the *Current Sauce* in the 1994-95 year. My goal was to cover more of the campus and put together a newspaper Northwestern could be proud of.

For the most part, I believe we have accomplished this goal. In our first year of competition, our paper placed No. 4 in the Southeastern Journalism Conference behind papers which have roughly four to five times the journalism majors and infinitesimally larger staffs than we do. That was based primarily on our summer work. The larger awards competitions won't occur until late summer or early fall.

Even more important than what the awards say about the paper are the positive comments of professors and students who have supported us in our effort to make this year's paper the best in Northwestern's history. Thank you.

I chose not to write more column pieces for the sake of objectivity. Maintaining my (and the paper's) journalistic integrity was the primary reason even though I was well within my rights to express my opinion. So I kept my mouth shut as various individuals and groups on campus 'waahed' like babies over things that were inconsequential and they knew little about in the first place.

Now that my term as editor is coming to an end (insert chorus of 'hallelujahs' here), I thought the student body may be interested to hear my opinions on some campus issues throughout the past year— my turn to 'waah!' if you will. Let this serve as notice that I will be even less popular (if that's possible) with nine out of ten people on campus after this column comes out. You might be one of those. You've been warned.

Let's discuss Student Government— the organization founded on truth and concern for students' needs. When I started writing this column, I fully expected to not say much about this long-denounced organization other than 'They don't do anything and they're not going to do anything.' Of course that was the obvious thing to say and isn't really fair.

I think now maybe I've judged too harshly. Maybe the new president will finally be able to get those emergency call boxes up before our grandchildren are the ones needing to use them. And I really hope I can come back to my alma mater in a year see the University Police moved into Dodd Hall with a fire truck parked next to it and specially-trained 'daycare' officers on duty.

Switching tracks, the issue of Greek influence in the SGA has been highly debated, but like my colleague, Madelyn Boudreaux, I think it's overrated. After all, even if every member of the senate was Greek, what difference would it make to non-Greeks? Still, it is frightening (and a little amusing) to watch a 'machine,' no matter how powerless, develop at our little University.

I am pleased that this year's news editor, Jane Baldwin, will take over the helm of the 1995-96 *Current Sauce* and that the SGA media board was big enough to see past recent disagreements to put one of the most competent journalists on campus in the position she rightfully deserves. Jane and I have had a lot of similar goals as far as increasing the quality of the paper.

One of those goals was, and still is, to give a little validity to the SGA and various 'related' organizations. I can't count on one hand the number of editorials I've written this year urging students to get involved with the SGA or the 'positive' news space we've devoted to organizations that would later come back to kick us in the teeth. Alas, (as you've already read) no good deed goes unpunished.

I do have to say that this campus is nothing if not predictable. Everything that has happened with the elections and other media have gone exactly as I thought they would. I've come to expect the worst you might say. But, it isn't just Northwestern. I've spoken to the editors of other campus newspapers who've said the same thing is going on at their campuses.

They understand, as I do, that we are naturally going to be less popular with people we write negative stories about. What amazed me was the fervor with which the whining would ensue after each article. For example: The paper had a cartoon making fun of the Kappa Alpha's beards (waah!); the paper did a report on improprieties at the radio station (waah!); the paper endorsed someone for SGA president it thought would be the better leader (waaahhhh!!!!). All these people crying about our coverage without taking advantage of our forum to express their views or even talking to me directly are making that daycare

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# Columnist defends 'mental slavery' article, reiterates question of equality



**Mick Dorsey**

## Hit 'Em Hard

Realize this, Patrick, my mental slavery article was my view, my experience and what I see going on in communities where the people there are all considered to be "minorities." I see that you can't grasp the concept that mental slavery exists in present day society. Well, grab your bib because you are about to be spoon fed.

I know everywhere you turn "minorities" are constantly shown to be offered some kind of government assistance. What you don't see, obviously, is the abuse that came before and still lingers afterwards. That abuse can be physical and/or "mental."

My earlier article that you undoubtedly didn't pay attention to basically mentioned that the current condition of the present day "minority" cannot and will not be easily resolved, especially if the mind has been paralyzed. Once a people's culture, religion, way of eating, thinking, loving, communicating, etc., has been unconditionally stripped from them, they are, in fact, mindless and ultimately soulless. So, for many "minorities," no matter how much opportunity arises or is given to them, we still will not be able to build, grow and maintain what we have accomplished for ourselves. Oops, did I feed you too much?

We do have many people of color on financial assistance all over, but I can guarantee that a quarter of them who have been awarded this aid will not be able to keep it because of their unique mental upbringing that causes them to choose priorities that keep the most important one's on the bottom. Oh, by the way, people who are considered "white" in this country out-number the people who are considered "minorities" for being on some kind of government assistance program. Do you need a bigger bib? You're making a mess.

I know you can't possibly understand what "minority" communities and people that leave out of these communities encounter since you're not in their shoes. Let me tell you about some who have. John Howard Griffin, a "white" man in 1959 disguised himself as a "black" man to see how "blacks" are really being treated in this country. The book is entitled, *Black Like Me.*

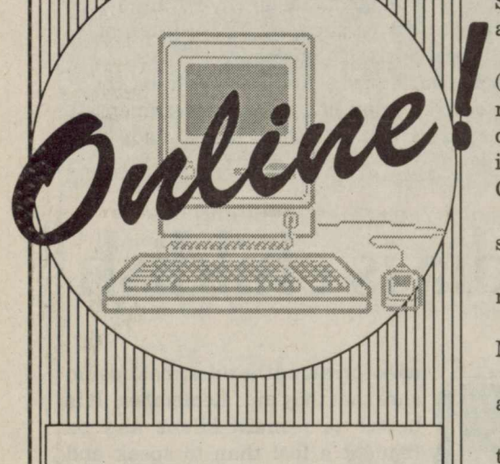
A "white" women named Grace Halsell, disguised herself as a "black," "hispanic" and "native American" women. She followed the footsteps of Griffin's example in 1970. She has written three books about her experiences. In 1994, Joshua Solomon went throughout the U.S. as a "black" man and tells about his experience in the Washington Post called, *Skin Deep* and was a guest on the Oprah show. Getting full already? We've just begun.

You, Patrick, might be quite surprised at what they had to say. You may even want to tell your playmates when you go back to your sandbox.

Of course, every "minority" doesn't experience mental slavery at the same time. But, I can assure you that when I'm not going through it, someone else is. So, we are not blowing smoke or screaming "victim" as you put it. There is a continuum of different forms of hate being expressed daily and most of it is mental, whether it comes from constant subliminal advertisement, white people or from my sick minority brother or sister who just doesn't want to recognize that they are really contributing to the existing problem. I do know about other histories unlike "his story" you've been taught or you would have known that chattel slavery with it's demonic reasoning from which it came, does not compare to any other slavery that ever existed in the world. Oh, I see you are ready to burp.

Sure, I would like to focus on the future and become one with all, but it's quite impossible to move on and progress in great measures when this mental slavery madness is still going on. Now sit back and really think and look all around you, do you really think that all races are generally being portrayed as equal to each other? Umhh.., times up. Remove your bib.

**Write a letter to the editor**




Call the *Current Sauce* via Northwestern's Internet hookup NSGUI3005 and tell us what you think about campus issues. The author's Internet address will be included with each letter unless requested otherwise. Next issue comes out in the second summer session.

# Students' plans for summer anything but traditional



**Judy Giles**

## So What I'm Saying Is...

We've been good! ( well, most of us) We've worked hard both fall and spring Semesters! ( well, some of us) We DESERVE a vacation! Well, even if we don't , as Wilbur Smiley would say, "That's OK!"

As this academic year comes to an end, (for some of us) this columnist interviewed many students concerning their "non-traditional" plans for Summer '95. The following replies were not censored out by Jeff Guin, graduating *Current Sauce* editor:

Len Boyd: "Just be a non-traditional student, I guess."

Ginger Cross: "Make plans to enlarge my family!"

Rebecca Teasley: "Rest up for my FINAL SEMESTER this fall."

Cathy Ferguson: "Enjoy my children and celebrate my NEW life."

Marion Boudreaux: "Help my daughter, Amy, prepare for her trip to 4-H Short Course at LSU."

Jan Thurman: "I'm going to visit my son's family, especially my grandson, Drew, in Austin, Texas."

Gail Gaudet: "Going to Galveston."

Janice Ivy: "Play in all the softball tournaments I can."

Mary Jones: "Work, and go to school."

Roubert Bailey: "School for two sessions, then three weeks in Hawaii."

Kim Thomas: "Stay at home with my children!"

Janice Sibley: "Attend a church music convention."

Bob Hutton: "Two weeks annual National Guard training, and two weeks as a counselor at a youth camp."

Marie Hodges: "I bought a swimming pool to teach my kid's how to swim."

Donald Masters: "I plan to be a counselor at Lake Texoma Youth Camp."

Michael Kilpatrick: "Following my wife to her teaching assignment!"

Ralph Davis: "I may go to Panathenae in Nashville for the summer ritual gathering of Pagans from all over the U.S. Last summer the Atheniam Temple, a copy of the Parthenon in Athens, was dedicated there."

Ralph, a student of Anthropology, is very comfortable with his beliefs. He explained the Pagan philosophy as not being Christian, Muslim, or Jewish, nor is it a Satanic Cult. "It's simply to live life the best you can, in tune with the Planet, which symbolically represents the "God Head". Pagans are non-dogmatic and non-doctrinal. Be good to the earth and every person and thing on it."

Valerie Gadd: "I am doing a six-week archaeological field school this summer with Dr. Michael Sheehan. The first half will be spent behind the American Cemetery near Cypress Street utilizing techniques learned in Archaeology 3020. The last half is on location at Los Adias, doing vertical artifact distribution ( discovering what is under the surface).

Approximately 12 students, including Valerie, are planning to participate. Instruction in the art of "on site stump removal," will be available to students at no additional fee!

Don't spend another dreary summer watching TV! Sign up for "Fun In The Sun" and get back to your roots (or perhaps the roots of someoone else)!

So, what I've been trying to say is...

Have a GREAT "non-traditional" summer!




## Sigma Kappa members say goodbye to sorority sisters

Amy Elizabeth Ertel
Amy Catherine Laporte
Dionne Margaret Boyce and
Alex the Funkcat

To the sisters of Sigma Kappa,

A faithful friend is a sturdy shelter;
he who finds one finds a treasure.

A faithful friend is beyond price;
no sum can balance his worth.

A faithful friend is like a life-saving remedy,
such as he who fears God finds,

For he who fears God behaves accordingly,
and his friend will be like himself.

Sirach 6:14-17

Ladies, the road has ended and our struggle is over. Yet, through it all, we have stood by one another when it was the worst of times. It seems so pointless to take away our sisterhood because it's such a strong bond. We realize that Apt. 411 had a lot to do with that bond and we are thankful that the chapter used it as a positive outlet. We will miss all the fun times this summer, but we trust that even though our chapter was taken from us, we will remain as close as we are now. We all know how upset y'all are and, of course, are empathetic. We love you all very much. Thanks for all the good times!

## SGA not Greek organization, needs student support

Bryan Satawa

The recent letter written to the Current Sauce about the Greeks running the SGA was very unfounded and it shows how far student apathy has gone here at Northwestern.

The uninformed student should have looked at the election results a little further before taking his/her shots at the candidates who won the recent elections.

If this unnamed person would have taken a closer look at the election he would have found that the entire executive council: Misty, our new president; Mark, our new vice president and our new treasurer do not belong to any Greek social organizations.

I will go so far to state that over 50 percent of the senate contains students that are not in frats or sororities.

This unnamed person should take a look at the facts before coming out with such an uninformed opinion.

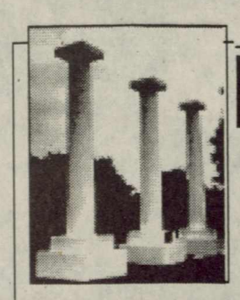
As an SGA graduate senator, I am appalled that this should even matter as I myself was a former Greek at Southwestern Louisiana. The students elect the people who represent them, not the men of Theta Chi, Kappa Alpha or the women of Tri Sigma and Phi Mu. These people should be commended for running and not bashed for what organization they belong to.

Instead of moaning and complaining, this student should try to help by running himself. The SGA is here to help students and should not be used as a bully pulpit to ostracize the people who are or are not in it. We have enough to worry about with the leaks in the fourth floor of Kyser, the IM building and the P.E. Majors building alone.

How about the student teacher evaluations and better lighting on campus so females don't have to worry about walking around in fear at night.

We all together as students need to address these concerns to the SGA so that we can work together in solving these problems that we have on our campus today so that we can make Northwestern a place where other students will want to come in the future.

There is an old saying that says "if you can't beat them, join them." If more students would heed these words and come to the SGA meetings whether they are involved in SGA or not, maybe the bickering and moaning would stop and we could all work together instead of against each other to make the Northwestern campus the best it can possibly be.



**Your View**

*Letters*

Should between 300-500 words and must include the signature of the author, the author's classification, major and phone number . The *Current Sauce* is not responsible for factual content of letters. They are due the Friday before the Tuesday publication date.

## Reader upset by election results

Name Withheld by Request

I am absolutely disgusted with the outcome of the recent SGA Presidential Election.

This election (which is now famous for the dishonesty and craftiness of Mayou and her supporters) has proved to be a piddling popularity contest rather than the honest election of the best candidate. First, she rigged the debate.

She squandered the debate questions beforehand and slandered her opponent at every possible moment. Later, she co-hosted two different radio shows with the debate's former moderator. During the second show she and the moderator/DJ announced their dislike for her opponent with a donkey sound: "Here is a direct quote from Jason Meche at the recent presidential debate: Eee-ah, Eee-ah"'.

This definitely shows a distinct lack of character on their behalves. Mayou's opponent was never provided with equal air-time opportunities to reply. Then there was the illegal action of campaigning at the polls. When the election was justifiably protested, someone actually had the nerve to call up and threaten a protester the night before the hearing.

Although Mayou was found guilty of illegal campaigning, her only punishment was to write a measly letter of apology to the newspaper. You know, I wonder why she went through such great lengths to hold on to the basically sitting duck position of SGA President.

Why was she so mean and childish? Is she planning some big hush-hush operation that only special people and campus radio stations can participate in?

# Feminism not representative of most women



**Gene Watts**

## A View From Above

I don't consider myself modern at all. The most repulsive phrase in the English language is "hey, its the 90's", as if ethics were interchangeable with the times. Nevertheless, I consider myself rather enlightened. I believe in women's rights, equality of pay and so forth. I admire many strong women: Christie Todd Whitman, Jeane Kirkpatrick, and Liz Dole, to name a few. And as a die-hard *Star Trek* fan, I have no problem with Kate Mulgrew commanding the starship *Voyager*. So don't take it the wrong way when I say that I despise the modern feminist establishment.

Now I know there isn't supposed to be a feminist establishment, that feminism isn't one monolithic voice, that it is diverse and representative of all women. But that's a lot of rot. The fact is that there is a feminist establishment that makes sure that the same uniform views are expounded through articles in newspapers and magazines and books as well as on television. There are exceptions, but they only prove the rule. Why else would the occasional dissenters such as Camille Paglia and Kate Roiphe provoke such outrage?

I devotedly read liberal and feminist publications such as *The Nation, The New Republic, Mother Jones,* and *Ms*. After all, it is wise to know your enemy, and it is impossible not to come away with the belief that there is an elitist feminist inner circle that ruthlessly punishes dissent. It doesn't help that the media, in trying to gain the feminist perspective on certain issues, allows the same group of extremists to speak for all women. The media also passively repeats trumped up statistics, such as the myth that more women are beaten the day after the super bowl than any other day of the year; or that 150,000 women die each year from eating disorders. The real number is around 150 in the last ten years or so. By engaging in the tactic of the "big lie," feminists only trivialize serious problems in our society.

Meanwhile, Gloria Steinem has stated that a woman's greatest danger is her own husband. Catherine MacKinnon and Andrea Dworkin, co-conspirators in the effort to dismantle the first amendment in order to protect women from big, bad men, said that all sex is rape. And Susan Faludi, in her turgid *Backlash*, wrote that women who wear lingerie for their husbands are assisting in their own exploitation. These are not fringe elements within the movement, they are not aberrations. These are representatives of the feminist leadership.

Feminists do not represent mainstream American women. They are anti-male, anti-family, anti-children, anti-art, anti-religion, anti-beauty, anti-patriotism, anti-capitalism, anti-free speech, anti-humour, and anti-language ("insidious patriarchy, phallocentrism").

Feminism is a political organization with a political agenda. If the women's movement exists to give women choices, why do the League of Women Voters and the National Organization of Women actively campaign for and contribute money only to female candidates in the Democratic party. Lynne Martin, Christie Todd Whitman, and Kaye Bailey Hutchinson received almost no money or support from traditional feminist groups. Indeed, they were looked upon as traitors for being republicans. And if feminists really cared about sexual harassment why would they only go after Bob Packwood and Clarence Thomas? Surely Ted Kennedy and Bill Clinton are equally deserving of their scorn. Apparently it's okay to a sexually predatory democrat.

Feminism isn't different from any other organization. Sooner or later they all fall prey to the extremist elements within. So think about that the next time you think about joining the KA's.

## REGULATION: Government can't control Internet

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writings reportedly posted online by a quiet college student. Complaints have been lodged against people, both 'terrorists' and NRA-members, for distributing information about making bombs.

News programs stir panic among parents by insisting that children have easy, unlimited access to hard-core porn, or warning that child-molesters await, hidden behind innocent-seeming personae, to lure their kids to acts of indecency. As if this weren't enough, there are also enough silly rumors about implanted microchips to keep Michael Crichton, Stephen King, and Tom Grisham in the green for another decade.

The problem is, regulating these and many far less frightening acts online stretches the limits of possibility and constitutionality. Who is to blame if a kid reads a four-letter word online? And how likely is it that the same kid never heard the word on the street, anyway?

Proposed bills, like that of Nebraska's Republican Senator Exon, the so-called "Communications Decency Act of 1995," try to criminalize vaguely-defined "filthy" e-mail. Under this bill, words that one could constitutionally shout on a sidewalk would not be allowed in *private* electronic communication. Further, the bill would try to legislate the writings of citizens of other countries who neither need nor can be controlled by American laws.

The computer network defies our old understandings of locale, distance and space, as witnessed by a recent case in which a California couple who run an adult-only bulletin board (which may or may not have been directly connected to the Internet) was found guilty in a Tennessee court for violating *local* decency ordinances when a Tennessee resident downloaded pornographic images from the West Coast computer system.

As long as our courts and our Congress members continue to misunderstand and misinterpret the issues surrounding the Internet, regulation of the network will be desperately mislead.

Unfortunately, by the time people who actually understand the system are in any position to make sense of it to the government, dangerous precedents and absurd but damaging laws may already be in place.

## WAAH!: Reflections on a year of organizational trivialization, tergiversation

idea sound better and better. We want everyone to have their say in the paper even if the views expressed differ from ours.

On the lighter side, I want to thank a few people who have had a significant bearing on my education during my long, if not distinguished, college career. In particular, Dr. Burroughs, Steve Horton, Tom Whitehead and Dr. Nelles have been big influences (though I'm sure they don't want to take credit for that after reading this).

I also want to say that Northwestern has one of the best journalism programs in the state, despite the actions of us unruly media types.

So there you have it. My reflections on a year of tergiversation. Complain about it, talk about it, legitimize it by discussing it on the radio— whatever you want to do. In the meantime, after this issue comes out, I'm off to the Pacific northwest to try and become a productive citizen of the United States in the field of public relations (ironic, eh?). I figure my time in print briefed me well enough on what not to do in my future job.

I know a few years from now when job and family take precedence, all the controversy will seem incredibly trivial to me. John Ramsey, the editor of the paper from the mid-80s, and I were discussing some of the current campus issues Friday and he told me the same things were happening during his tenure. And, those same things will be happening 10 years from now. Small universities have to recycle their controversy.

What will last are the good memories I have from serving as editor of your student paper this year. And, believe me, there were many (the April Fool's edition comes to mind). I was blessed with a staff that shared my vision for the *Sauce* and took responsibility for carrying that vision out.

It's been a great honor and I'm proud to represent Northwestern.

# Divisiveness in Northwestern media is childish



**Andrew Martin**

## The Bottom Line

Very, very rarely do I agree with an editorial cartoon that appears in the *Current Sauce*. This last week's cartoon is one of those rare exceptions. It depicts "our" campus newspaper and radio station in a childish debate that has no importance to anyone save themselves and a very few others.

Let me give you my interpretation of the whole pathetic situation. It all stems from the recent SGA elections. Candidate A defeated candidate B. The victory was a slim one, but as we all know "any win is a good win". Well, not everyone sees it that way.

Now we have a "huge" controversy. It seems that the losing candidate got his sensibilities about the winning candidates appearance on an early morning campus radio show and started to build a case around that to present to the SGA Election Board.

The second part of all this flap is that someone stole, borrowed, whatever you want to call it, a copy of the *Current Sauce* from the layout room the night before that edition was to be released and read parts of it over the air. That is where the *Current Sauce* / KNWD debate comes into play.

Okay, enough background information. What we are getting the rare privilege of watching is people who should be acting like adults behaving like a bunch of whiny little brats who should probably be sent to bed without their dinner.

If you are going to act like children, maybe I should give you some fatherly advice.

If you are going to lose an election, do it with class. If you have a legitimate complaint or feel that some really horrible infraction has taken place do something about it. However, when the only things you have to stand on are some insignificant shreds of speculation the best thing you can do is keep it to yourself. This whole incident is proof of that when you don't follow that little rule of thumb that you come off looking like some kind spoiled baby who will cry when he doesn't get his way. Also, if you are going to accuse someone of breaking the rules, make damn sure that they did. Remember: It is better to remain silent and be thought a fool than to speak and remove all doubt.

Next. If someone does you dirty, the classiest thing you can do is rise above it. If you don't feel that you can do that, then get them back but be discreet. The piece run in the Sauce last week talking about KNWD's problems appears to me nothing more than a really obvious and obnoxious attempt to get back at the station. Don't get me wrong, I really can't say that whoever stole the layouts was right for doing so, because they weren't. The station has had its share of controversy this semester, but none of it has been aired out on the front page until the *Sauce* felt it was wronged. I see this as the equivalent of the *Current Sauce* giving KNWD the finger.

But hey, I've got a solution. Thumb war. Best two out of three wins it and the winner gets to give the loser an Indian burn.

# Thanks for the opportunity to serve you this year. Have a great summer.
# --The 1994-95 *Current Sauce* Staff




Not pictured: Heather Urena, Judy Giles. Kelvin Pierre, Eric Metoyer, Eric Thompson, Brad Arnold, Rita Fletcher, Chad Sullivan, James Grant, and Eric Dutile



# BINGE: Secondhand binge drinking causes problems

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ated.

- 26 percent experienced unwanted sexual advances.
- 20 percent had a serious argument.
- 15 percent had property damaged.
- 13 percent were physically assaulted.
- 2 percent were sexually assaulted or raped.

"The discovery of secondhand binge effects uncovers a new call to action," Katherine Lyall, chairman of Harvard's College Alcohol Study Advisory Board, said. "Non-binging students need to understand that they have a right to demand a better campus environment and immediate action when binge drinking impinges on their education, health and safety."

Lawmakers hoped a nationwide drinking age of 21 would help curb drinking on campuses, but a quick proliferation of fake identification cards dashed those hopes.

Merril says that it's contradictory for schools to preach about the evils of alcohol at orientation and then look the other way when fraternities host beer bashes to welcome new students.

"Drinking is not an isolated problem, there's a need to change the whole culture," he said. "Schools have to make it clear that they don't support alcohol being issued on campus."

College students should also reevaluate their own notions about drinking, says Merril. "There is nothing glamorous about being drunk," he said. "It's not as though it makes you perform better in any way. It's been glorified way too much. In reality, it can have horrible results."

But not all students agree with Merril's outlook.

"People aren't going to come to college and then not have a drink because of what the school tells them," Robin Palen, a junior at the University of Southern California, said. "Most people are going to make that decision on their own and not worry about what other people say, especially the administration."

Mark Lowe, also a junior at USC, says the school's efforts to curb students' alcohol intake might be futile considering the emphasis put on alcohol when the school stands to benefit.

"When we have homecoming, there are beer tents all over the place," he said. "And do you think they're going to turn down money from Lite Beer if they decided they wanted to sponsor something?"

Both Palen, 20, and Lowe, 21, realize the hazards of binge drinking. They think, however, that schools should concentrate on safety measures and education, not just prevention.

# HOUSING: New positions, more responsibility in department

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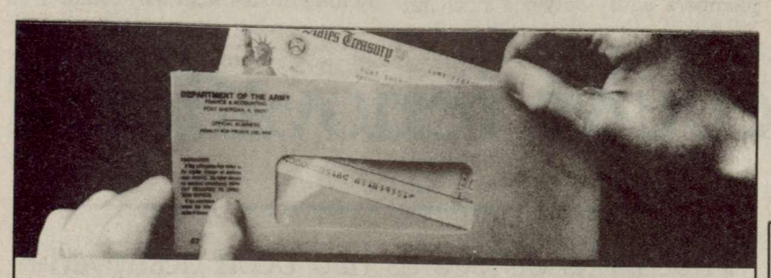
"We knew that we wanted to reassign some personnel to get better utilization from out personnel," Fulton said.

"House directors in Bossier, Dodd, Boozman and Varnado were responsible for anywhere from 160 to 200 students, where the housing director in Sabine was responsible for 700 students during the fall semester and the house director in Rapides was responsible for 600 students.," he said.

"We felt like, with existing staff, we could improve our management of residence halls."


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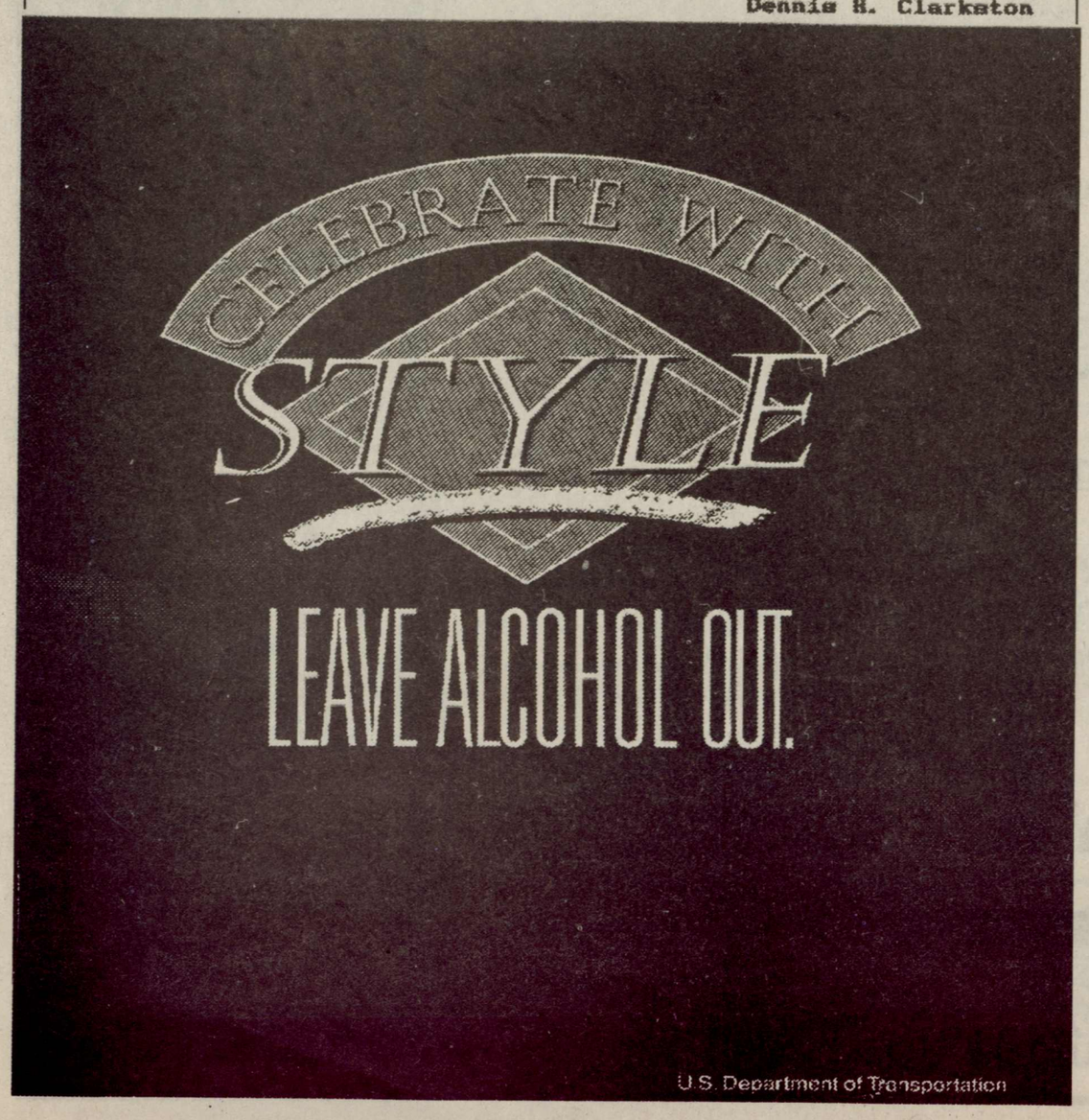
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# Northwestern State University Final Exam Schedule

Final day of classes - Wednesday, May 3, 1995
Final Examination - May 4-10 -- Thursday - Wednesday

*Graduating Seniors Exams
*(Please arrange exam time with your professors.)
GRADES DUE FOR CANDIDATES - MONDAY, MAY 8, 1995 (NOON)
ALL GRADES DUE BY NOON - THURSDAY, MAY 11, 1995 (NOON)

**Thursday, May 4, 1995**

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| 8:00 -10:30 | ENGL 0910, 0920, 1010, 1020 |
| 12:00 - 2:30 | 4:00 MWF |
| 3:30 - 6:00 | MATH 0910, 0920, 1030, 1050, 1060, 1140 |
| 6:30 - 9:00 | THURSDAY NIGHT CLASSES |

**Friday, May 5, 1995**

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| 8:00 -10:30 | 9:00 MWF |
| 12:00 - 2:30 | 1:00 MW |
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**Saturday, May 6, 1995**

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**Monday May 8, 1995**

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**Tuesday, May 9, 1995**

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**Wednesday, May 10, 1995**

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| 6:30 - 9:00 | WEDNESDAY NIGHT CLASSES |

# Music trail begins in New Orleans

Kip Patrick
*Current Sauce*

When people think of Mardi Gras in New Orleans it usually involves parades, music, beer and topless women. Wednesday night in New Orleans at the opening event of the newly-inaugurated, statewide Louisiana Music Trail, many people could have mistaken the festivities for a mini-Mardi Gras.

Invited participants began at a reception at Le Meridian Hotel, complete with a live jazz band, party favors and an open bar. Party-goers then marched down Canal Street behind a brass band, Louisiana style, in a second line toward the famed House of Blues.

From the street, the group made a couple of turns and found themselves on the back patio of the House of Blues where all kinds of surprises awaited. Not to mention the free liquor, the organizers of the Louisiana Music Trail offered almost everything needed to make the night a memorable one. To many of the heavy drinkers, however, the night was probably a little less memorable.

With such an elaborate layout of food and drink choices, guests almost forgot they were there to enjoy the music. Red beans and rice, bowls of jambalaya, huge trays of fried catfish, pralines and platters of raw oysters were as numerous as nude body parts at Mardi Gras.

As soon as Lt. Gov. Melinda Schwegmann introduced the first band, however, the focus changed from talking and eating to singing, dancing and drinking (bartenders earned their money).

Four musical groups offered different styles of music on two stages, each band playing very unique forms of Louisiana-style blues, country, gospel, cajun and zydeco.

The festivities kicked off with music from The Zion Harmonizers, a traditional gospel group that has played in Switzerland, Rome and Milan and also appeared at the first New Orleans Jazz and Heritage Festival in 1969.

Then came piano-playing, easy listening Jimmy Elledge, best known for his million seller *Funny How Time Slips Away* and his four-star recording *One By One*.

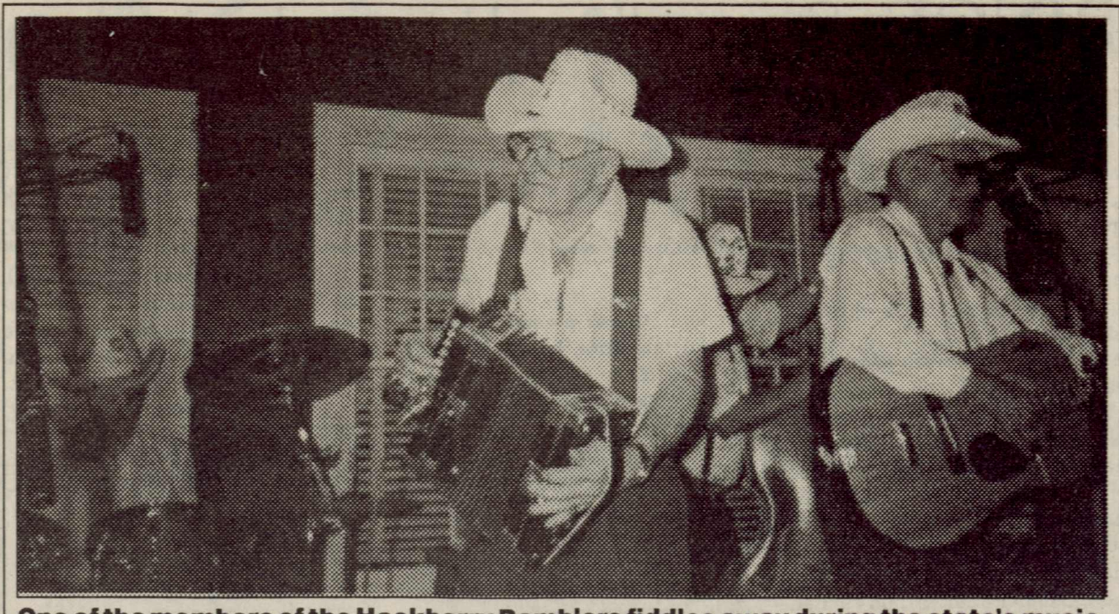
Next up was blues man Coco Robicheaux, a long-haired, sunglasses and beret wearing hippy from the Deep South, who had a voice reminiscent of Otis Redding. He was joined for a couple of tunes by harmonica-playing Raful Neal, as they played funky, down home music that reminded you exactly where you were—in the heart of New Orleans.

As the moon rose higher and the food and liquor supply got lower, the crowd was quickly becoming part of the music that surrounded them.

Even two five-year olds could not restrain themselves any longer during one of the slow sensual blues tunes, as a young gentleman twirled his beautiful and ecstatic partner around like they were on Saturday Night Fever.

The highlight of the evening, not counting the previous exchange of goods during the parade, came when The Hackberry Ramblers, a group of five young cajuns, some of whom have been playing together for six decades, took the stage.

Besides introducing Louisiana to electronic amplification (they used to hook up a sound system to one of the member's Model-T Ford), what makes this band so special is the members' ages—only one musician is under 60. The self-named oldest organized band in America played a mixture of cajun music and western swing with a dash of "swamp rock," classic country, rock & roll and blues, while singing and dancing like the Rolling Stones wish they could.



**One of the members of the Hackberry Ramblers fiddles away during the state's music trail in New Orleans**

Photo by Tom Whitehead

## Dancing to a new tune...




**A New Orleans resident enjoys the festivities during the music trail**

Photo by Tom Whitehead

# Historic buildings receive renovations

## Courthouse, genealogical library restore old documents and building

John Whittington
*Current Sauce*

Many may not realize it, but Watson is not the only library in Natchitoches.

The Genealogical and Historical Association's library on the second floor of the Old Courthouse, located on the corner of Second and Church streets, is another local source of knowledge. Both the library and the Courthouse are testimonies to the historical value of what the nation has come to know Natchitoches as, the oldest continuous settlement in the Louisiana Purchase Territory.

The library began after Hattie Whittington, a former president of the Natchitoches Genealogical and Historical Association, and other members of the group began the effort to restore the old documents of the Parish Clerk of Courts Office.

"Thousands of records had been destroyed-marriage records, transactions of land, wills, court records and births and deaths," Whittington said.

The restoration was an attempt to retrieve and preserve those old records and lead to the establishment of the library.

In 1992, the library's contents were expanded after the Natchitoches public library, located on Jefferson Street, donated their genealogy section to the association due to lack of space.

With this contribution, along with such documents as the American State Papers, original French records, and the voter registration files, the library has become an invaluable tool for genealogical research of Louisiana.

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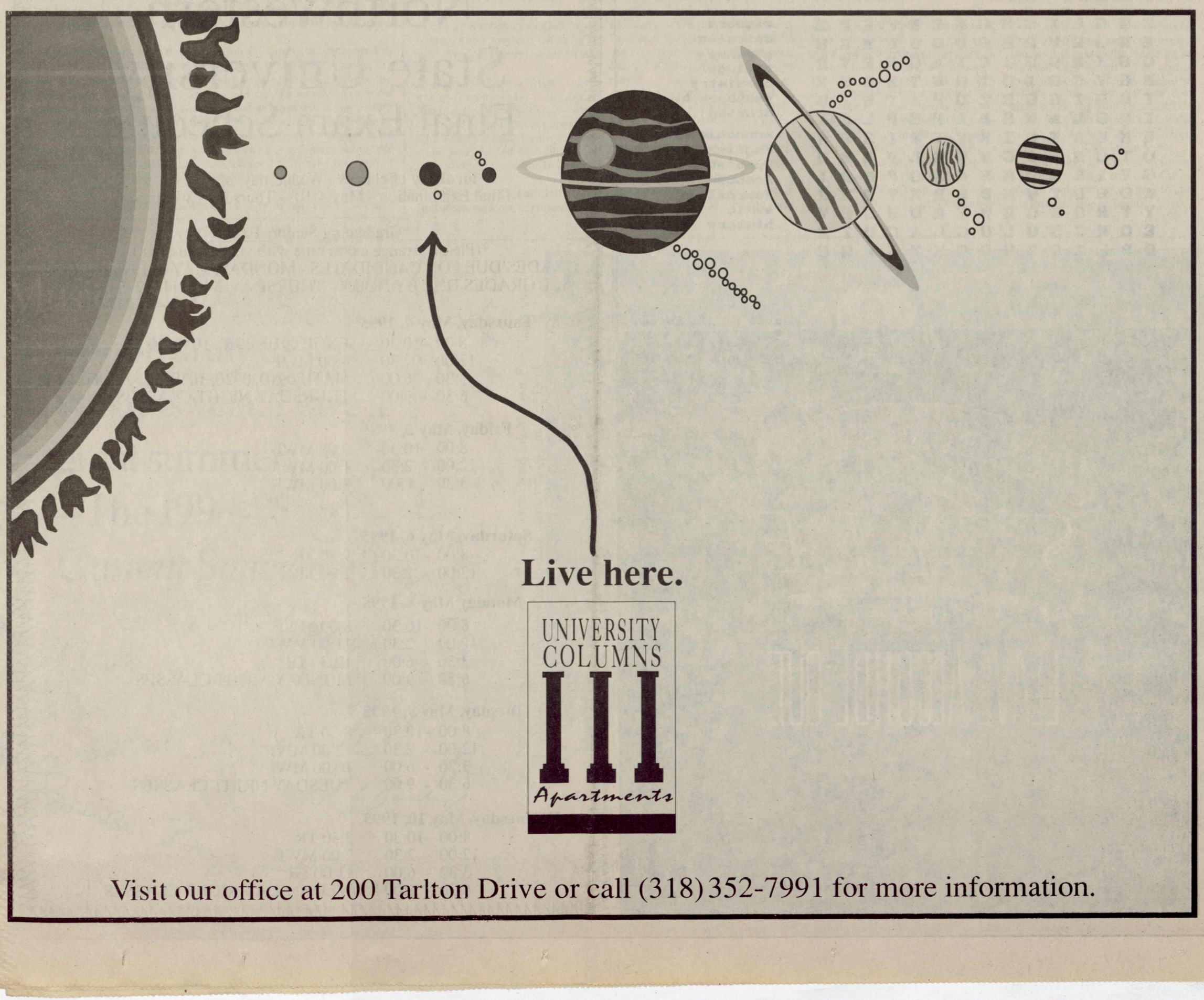
Similarly rich in historical importance is the old courthouse which was reconstructed in 1896 after the former one was demolished.

Patrick Gillen of Lincoln Parish bid $22,555 on June 4, 1895, and two architects from New Orleans, Fayrot and Livaudais, were selected to construct the building. By May of 1896, the courthouse was completed and furniture was being installed at a cost of $1,625.

A fire started in the courthouse in 1933, severely damaging the courtroom, attic and tower clock. Renovations consisted of lowering the tower steeple and the roof line over the stairway at a cost of $18,300.

An additional renovation was made in 1961 which lowered all the ceilings and divided the rooms, but in 1976, an attempt to restore the Courthouse to its former appearance was made.

As a result, the lowered ceilings were removed, the front doors were replaced, a weather vane and three clocks were placed in the tower to finally bring the old courthouse to the restored building which today houses the Genealogical and Historical Association's library.



# The best albums you haven't heard on radio

Rick Anderson
*College Press Service*

Eddie Reader
"Eddie Reader"
Genre: Folk-Rock
Reprise (9 45713-2)
Reader was the voice behind the British folk-rock group Fairground Attraction (definitely to be confused with Fairport Convention), and her solo debut was one of the most consistently charming records I heard all year, a treasure trove of achingly tuneful pop songs that constantly surprised me with their staying power—usually songs that grab you immediately lose their hold on you fairly quickly, but these tunes are just as good the tenth time through as the first. Her sound isn't as Brit-folk oriented as one might expect; it seems to consist of two parts jangle-pop cliche mixed with one part ironic whimsy. That doesn't sound promising, I know, but trust me on this one.

Charlie Haden with Don Cherry & Ed Blackwell
"The Montreal Tapes"
Genre: Jazz
Verve (314 523 260-2)
In 1989 a series of eight tribute concerts was organized in Montreal in honor of bassist Charlie Haden. All were recorded and "the majority" are slated for future release by Verve. This first installment proved to be one of the most lovely and affecting jazz albums of the year, despite its unorthodox instrumentation (pocket trumpet, bass, drums) and a forbidding-looking program of Ornette Coleman compositions. The warmth shared by these three modern-jazz veterans is palpable on this recording. As they swing gently through "The Sphinx" and bring both enormous chops and deep sensitivity to what could easily have been a sterile run-through of "Lonely Woman," you can't help but be moved by the quiet respect that they evince for their shared heritage. Haden still draws on a broader musical background than any bassist since Mingus (listen for the extended "Old Joe Clark" quote in "Lonely Woman"). Let's hope we start seeing other albums from these concerts soon—they include performances with Geri Allen, Paul Motian, Joe Henderson, Paul Bley and many others.

Soul Coughing
"Ruby Vroom"
Genre: Funky Avant-Pop
Slash/Warner (9 45752-2)
Okay, granted—the band name is disgusting (it's a euphemism for vomiting) and the instrumental combination of neo-beat poetry, acoustic bass, drums and sampler is just a bit on the hip side. These guys really do seem to think they're clever, but the thing is, they're right—and this album is more fun than you would ever guess based on song titles like "Sugar Free Jazz," "Screenwriter's Blues" and "Mr. Bitterness." The groove is delivered up, not by the sampler, but by a bare-bones infrastructure of drums and upright bass. The sampler is used to throw in random noises and sound washes in a manner somewhat similar to Allen Ravenstine's approach on the old Pere Ubu records, while singer/guitarist M. Doughty skitters his guitar across the top while whining lyrics like "The 5-percent nation of nipple clamps/The 5-percent nation of chocolatey delicious." Sure, they're kind of pedantic, but the funk is genuine and so's the humor. No party is complete without this one.

"Never Grow Old"
Genre: Folk
Flying Fish (FF 70638)
This was the best folk album I heard all year, but I don't get to review as many folk albums as I'd like to. Still, you'd have to go a ways (say, a new solo Gordon Bok album or Maddy Prior doing Child ballads) to beat this all-star extravaganza: the golden-voiced Hills and Mangsen team themselves up with Laurie Lewis, Priscilla Herdman, John Hartford, Gordon Bok and others to produce a smorgasbord of old-time folk songs, 19th century novelty tunes and even a Sacred Harp number. Bok's gravelly contribution to the yearning "Master Kilby" and Hartford's down-and-dirty fiddle on "Wolves a-Howlin'" are both high points, and so, believe it or not, is Tom Paxton's gentle performance of "Mary Anne." This album saves the best for last, though, with a shape-note reprise of "Where We'll Never Grow Old" and a stirring rendition of the Sacred Harp classic "Evening Shade." I can't recommend this one highly enough.

Chanticleer
"Mexican Baroque"
Genre: Classical
Teldec (4509-96353-2)
Ha! You didn't even know there WAS baroque music in Mexico, did you? It's one of those things that makes perfect sense once you think about it (the Spaniards had been laboring under the white man's burden in Mexico for several hundred years by the beginning of the baroque period), but there's been so little coverage of this repertoire that it's easy to forget that fact. This disc will bring that knowledge forcefully to your consciousness—not only is Chanticleer one the finest male choirs in the world, but the material they chose for this album is stunning: a mass, a Dixit Dominus setting and a responsory by Ignacio de Jerusalem and several shorter works by Manuel de Zumaya. You won't find much, if anything, else on record by these composers, but Chanticleer's laser-pure tone and impassioned performance will make any further recordings of these particular works unnecessary.

Freedy Johnston
"This Perfect World"
Genre: Pop-Rock
Elektra (61655-2)
Actually, you may well have heard some of this album on the radio and may have even seen the video for "Bad Reputation" on MTV or VH-1. But unless you heard the entire album on the radio at least once a day, you haven't heard enough of it. The problem is, I can't quite put my finger on what it is I find so affecting about this guy and about this disc in particular (1992's "Can You Fly" was almost as good as this one); part of it is his unassuming, guy-next-door singing style, and part of it is his ability to throw out lines like "Been breaking down/Do you want me now?" without sounding the least bit self-absorbed and lines like "This perfect world/So blue I can't begin to say" without sounding the least bit cynical. He also manages to write melodies that take a week to get out of your head, yet you're never tempted to sing along with him because so much of what he delivers is in the subtle nuances of the delivery itself.

# DiCaprio holds court in *Diaries*

Shoot, score!

Leonardo DiCaprio just can't miss. The young actor first won acclaim starring opposite Robert DeNiro in "This Boy's Live," earned an Oscar nomination for his stunning performance as a retarded teen in "What's Eating Gilbert Grape," and held his own with Sharon Stone in "The Quick and the Dead."

Now, there's "The Basketball Diaries," a powerful drama based on the autobiographical, drug-enhanced musings of rocker Jim Carroll. As a youth growing up on New York's mean streets, Carroll excelled for a time at high school basketball, then slid into a seamy existence fueled by heroin, petty crimes, prostitution and violence. "Diaries" is strong stuff, explicit and often unflinching, and DiCaprio's effective performance—especially an agonizing withdrawal sequence—has Best Actor Oscar nomination written all over it.

On this April Day in Manhattan, a loose, friendly DiCaprio, who looks far younger than his 20 years, faces the media at a Manhattan hotel to promote "Diaries." It's pointed out to him that young actors these days seem to be tackling riskier material than their peers of years ago. DiCaprio disagrees. "Movies for young actors have changed," argues DiCaprio, who made his big screen debut in "Critters III" after playing a recurring role in the TV sitcom "Growing Pains." "We're taken a little more seriously now as people in the business. I'm no spokesperson for my generation. It just seems the movies we're getting offered now, as compared to the Brat Pack days, are better. There are a lot more movies being produced about young men, unfortunately (for women), more coming-of-age stories. That's good for me.

"I was comfortable with the material in ('Diaries'). As far as an acting standpoint was concerned, there was so much for me to do. I saw a lot of color in the character and a lot of ways I could go. Doing those scenes, like the withdrawal scene, that I'd never experienced before was like, 'Whew!' I had to turn into a little primal beast. Doing those scenes where I'm strung out were weird to get into at first. But once I did, I got to explore what it was about. I didn't really rehearse them physically. I just went in there, knew what I was going to do and just did it."

Jim Carroll himself served as a consultant on "Diaries." He even shares a scene on screen with his cinematic alter-ego. DiCaprio reports that he and Carroll discussed the film quite a bit and became friendly, but that they never tried forcing a connection. "We just hung out a lot in my trailer, on the set, and we just talked. I asked him questions about the movie, about the character, and all the different drugs. The cool thing about Jim is you can ask him anything, and you'll get the most detailed answer on the planet, and it'll be completely honest."

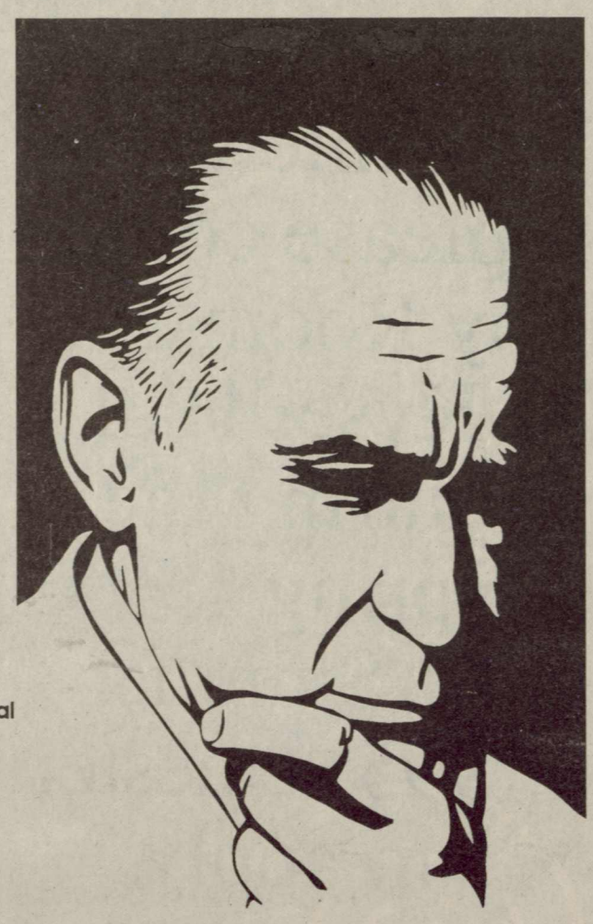
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# Drugs, alcohol abound in today's music world

Derek Rabuck
*Current Sauce*

Today's music contain many lyrical themes, dealing with the use and exploitation of drugs and alcohol.

Many rap artists heavily employ jargon related to the abuse of alcohol and illegal drugs into their music by talking about selling drugs or getting drunk.

But, rap and rock artists are not the only entertainers exploiting the drug and alcohol scene. Many country artists talk about having a drink or two or engaging in activities that involve alcohol and drugs.

Along with songs glamorizing the use of drugs or the pleasure achieved by getting drunk, come songs that look at the other side of the story. Songs such as *Cocaine* by Eric Clapton and *Suicide Solution* by Ozzy Osbourne are prime examples of ways in which many musical artists incorporate themes of society's downfall into their music. These songs tell the tales of what happens in the end.

The song *Master of Puppets* is cleverly written by the heavy metal band Metallica. The song begins with the drug telling a young person that he would be king of the world by using. The second part of the song deals with the person taking the drugs and what that person is feeling. The third part deals with the person realizing that the drugs did not do what they were supposed to do. The song ends with the drugs telling the person that it is too late to do anything about it because he is now an addict.

Metallica has also written a song called *Fade to Black* which has been shown to have prevented several suicides that were about to result from the use of drugs and alcohol as relief from the pressures of life. Many bands have taken the topic of suicide, which is a possible end result of using drugs and alcohol, and have constructed songs that warn listeners about the harm of using either.

Other songs such as *Skin of My Teeth* by Megadeth and *Last Call (For Alcohol)* by the Blonz deal with a different viewpoint of drug and alcohol abuse. *Skin of My Teeth* tells of Megadeth's lead singer Dave Mustaine's own personal attempts to commit suicide after abusing drugs and alcohol for many years. *Last Call (For Alcohol)* is a song dealing with trying to hide a problem with alcohol and/or not listening when someone tells you that you have a problem and what can happen as a result.

**OPINION**

Drugs and alcohol are commonly associated with the music business and their abuse by musicians has lead to many tragedies. The deaths of musicians such as Jimi Hendricks, Janis Joplin and Jim Morrison are examples.

With music being a vital part of many bars and entertainment centers, the question arises about how to stop the abuse of drugs and alcohol, especially in light of the fact that many songs today glamorize their consumption and abuse.

Chances are that no one will ever be able to stop this glamorization, but through education about the effects of using and abusing drugs and alcohol, more people may learn how to be responsible, instead of ignorant.

# *Test stress: several methods for coping*

Melissa Ramsdell
*College Press Service*

Test anxiety. It happens in everyone's scariest recurring dream: the professor hands out a test. You leaf through it, and none of the questions look familiar. Your mouth goes dry, your heart races, your palms drip with sweat.

It's always a relief when you wake up and realize that it was just a nightmare, but for many college students, test anxiety is a reality. Fortunately, universities are helping people conquer this problem.

"Academic support at colleges and universities has increased dramatically," said Sherry Snyder, coordinator of the academic skills program at the University of Colorado at Boulder. "More research has been going on in developmental education in the last 10 or so years, so there is much more information."

Often, students struggle to make the jump from doing high school work to becoming more independent learners at college. Instead of having several chances to bring up their grades, they usually only have two in college: the midterm and the final. That can be a very real cause of test anxiety.

"Students aren't accustomed to having so much of their grade based on one test," said Robin Dearborn, coordinator of the Study Skills Program at the University of California-Santa Barbara. "We're trying to help them study effectively so they study the right things and anticipate the questions."

Alison Mitsuhashi, a student counselor at UCSB's learning center, said that she still gets a little test anxiety, even after several years of taking college exams.

"I'm not a very good test taker," she said. "It's always the same panic feeling when I go and sit down: 'Did I study the right stuff? Am I going to be able to remember what I studied?'"

As a more mature student, Mitsuhashi now can reassure herself that she knows the material and can finish the test calmly. But that wasn't always the case.

The difference is in the way she has learned to study for exams. In the old days, Mitsuhashi said, "Five minutes before a test, I'd still be cramming." She would overload her short-term memory, so all the information came out scrambled. Now, when she studies well ahead of time, she can pull out the information she needs in a quicker, more organized fashion.

Studying effectively can go a long way in reducing test anxiety. Before the test, try these strategies:

Concept mapping: Use you lecture notes to make a visual diagram of the relationship between the important ideas that will be on the test. Sometimes they look like a flow chart; others use a circle with lines extending out of it.

Cornell note-taking method: Take notes only on three-quarters of the page during class. Then, at home, look at what you wrote and condense the information into a few important themes, key formulas, problems or symbols. This makes it easier to go back and review for a test later.

Real-life examples: When reading a textbook, make notes in the margin to help you remember the material. After each paragraph, list the main idea, relevant details and think of a real-life example of that idea.

Sample tests: Pair up with a classmate to create a sample test. Each person makes a list of five to eight questions that might be on the exam, then switch. Later, you can discuss the answers together.

Avoid cramming: Plan ahead so you don't need to cram the night before the test. Simply review the material to assure yourself that you know it, then go to bed. A good night's sleep does a lot more good than an all-night panic fest.

## Popping pills to cram: not a good idea

With finals upon us, lots of students will be spending many hours burning the midnight oil. To aid in this process, some will resort to using over-the-counter drugs designed to keep people alert and awake.

The use of these substances can be dangerous according to Christie Weeks, a counselor at the Natchitoches Drug and Alcohol Center. Weeks said that taking such drugs which alter behavior are dangerous because students can become addicted to them or become disinhibited toward other more potent or illegal drugs. Weeks also noted that taking drugs such as asthma medication to stay awake was an obvious abuse.

Students should always take care when self-medicating and should follow directions carefully. The best way to avoid problems, according to Weeks, is to prepare ahead of time and get a good night's rest before taking tests.

## Holiday History

Bridgette M. Morvant
*Current Sauce*

### Mother's Day

Mother's Day, May 14, comes at the perfect time of year for Northwestern students because it falls in between the spring and summer semesters, while no school is in session.

This makes the day ideal for returning home to visit mothers and perhaps pay tribute to them with gifts. Such was the custom with early celebrations of this holiday in England and other European countries were the day was a religious holiday celebrated during the Lenten season by early Christians.

Some date the holiday to ancient times when Greeks and Romans celebrated a spring festival in honor of Rhea, mother of the gods.

The United States did not officially adopted by the holiday until 1914 when President Woodrow Wilson declared in a national holiday in honor of mothers. Although several Americans can be noted for trying to establish a mothers' holiday, credit for the observance is usually given to Anna M. Jarvis an unmarried woman who cared for her blind sister and campaigned to develop a special day for mothers in 1907, two years after the death of her own mother. Jarvis began a tremendous letter-writing campaign and gained many supporters among religious leaders and Congressmen.

Jarvis succeeded in starting mothers' day observations in Philadelphia and began the custom of wearing carnations (white for a deceased mother; red for a living one). Over the next few years several states adopted the holiday and later the day became nationally observed.

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# SportsBriefs

## Lady Demon banquet to be held at Lasyone's

The 1994-95 Southland Conference champion Lady Demons will hold a recognition dinner May 3 to honor the players and coaches for an outstanding season.

The dinner will be held at Lasyone's Restaurant on Second Street at 7 p.m. and will be an all-you-can-eat catfish buffet at a cost of $11.00 per person.

Seating will be limited to the first 75 people with reservations. To reserve seats, call the women's basketball office at (318) 357-5891.

The coaches will recap the 1994-95 season, show a highlight video and preview the 1995-96 season which includes games with Arkansas, Alabama and Colorado.

Northwestern finished the season with a record-tying 25-7 record and was runner-up to Texas A&M in the National Women's Invitational Tournament.

## Demons' Joseph named SLC Player of Week in baseball

Northwestern senior centerfielder Terry Joseph was named Southland Conference baseball "Player of the Week" April 25 for the first time this season.

The Marrero native batted .500 on the week with eight runs scored and six runs batted in despite suffering a fractured cheek bone at Nicholls State. Joseph also added two stolen bases, a double, two triples and his 10th home run of the season as the Demons went 3-2.

Joseph, who will lead the Demons into tonight's 7 p.m. game with Louisiana Tech at Brown-Stroud Field, is well on his way to earning first team All-SLC for the third straight year.

Over the last month Joseph has been on a tear, raising his batting average to a conference-best .403. Joseph also leads the SLC in runs scored with 56, slugging percentage at .732 and stolen bases with 27.

Earlier this season Joseph set the SLC career record for runs scored with 191 and he has now raised that total to 217, due in large part to an on-base percentage of nearly .500.

Joseph needs only five more runs to break his own Northwestern record for runs in a season and three more stolen bases to capture the single season mark.

Barring injury, the Archbishop Shaw High product will end his distinguished collegiate career as the all-time leader in games played, at bats, runs scored, hits, doubles, triples, total bases, walks and hit-by-pitches.

## Lady Demons close softball season with losses to Louisiana Tech

Louisiana Tech third baseman Martha Olow scored the winning run on an error in the top of the seventh inning as the No. 24-ranked Lady Techsters edged Northwestern 4-3 in game one of Wednesday's softball doubleheader at Lady Demon Field.

Tech ace Paige England threw a one-hitter in the nightcap as she shut out the Lady Demons 9-0 to complete the sweep.

Tech jumped out to an early 3-0 lead but the gritty Lady Demons rallied to tie the game in the bottom of the fourth inning. After pitcher Anne Hamilton drew a walk to lead off the inning, Tech starter Candice Carnahan fought back to retire the next two batters.

Lady Demon freshman Connie Christophe then slammed a double to the left field gap to score Hamilton and get the Lady Demons on the board.

Christophe stole third and was knocked in by left fielder Jennifer Painter's single, evening the game at three.

Louisiana Tech improved to 37-11 on the year. The Lady Demons finished out their season at 13-37.

# HISTORY: Rowing team overcomes obstacles

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ment for the crew to use. As he got more equipment, more people joined the rowing team.

Wolffe remembers Washburn State coming down for its spring training, helping the crew get a taste of competition. Not only did it help the crew, but it brought interest in Natchitoches as well. Things were going great for the rowing team. It gave publicity to city, earned more equipment through fund raisers, and competed against other universities.

Then, problems arose for the rowing team. Jeffords, as a coach and a math teacher, had a hard time finding time for the team. He did not want to lose his position at Northwestern, so he was offered a position as assistant director of leisure activities. This job required the maintenance of all club sports, including the rowing team.

Apparently, Jeffords spent more time with the rowing team instead of the other club sports. As a result, he ended up leaving Northwestern after three years of helping the crew get started.

Jeffords was replaced by present coach Calvin Cupp, who has been the rowing coach at Northwestern for the past two years. Cupp has made several changes regarding the team.

"Calvin has devoted his time and effort to try to make the team what it is today," Wolffe said. "He has brought it a long way from where Jeffords left it."

Wolffe also adds that Jeffords helped the team by bringing equipment to the program, but Cupp got on a more personal level with his rowers. This, according to Wolffe, made the team more enjoyable.

As an undergraduate at Northwestern in 1988, Cupp was a member of the rowing team. According to him, the club sport was disorganized at the time he rowed. He recalled that it was hard getting the sport started, because it required a lot of time, a lot of details, and making a constitution for the sport. After Jeffords left, Cupp was more than happy to help organize and make it a more competitive sport.

In the two years that Cupp has coached the rowing team, the number of members has increased as well as the number of boats. The team now has approximately 30 rowers and will be recruiting more next semester. The number of boats has increased to seven (four four-man and three eight-man boats). The crew has also competed against top schools in the nation, and has traveled extensively. The best has happened for the rowing team so far, and the members hope to grow and prosper in the future.

As for the original Pocock-8? It is long gone now, sold to a T.G.I Friday restaurant and probably hanging in the ceiling of that restaurant.

# TRACK: Records fall at weekend meet

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Bean provided the day's biggest excitement, narrowly missing two attempts at an NCAA automatic qualifying 7-4 1/2. Bean, already a provisional NCAA qualifier as a sophomore, won by clearing 7-2 1/2.

In women's competition, four meet records fell and Northwestern's Maryalyce Walsh shaved a second off her school record in the 3000 meters, winning in 10:24.00. Teammate Carla Davison set a meet record and posted her best 800-meter time of the season (2:13.60) while also running a strong anchor leg for the winning 4x400 relay team (3:55.46).

Northwestern's Regina Buford won the discus in a meet record 139-11. McNeese's Michele Italio had a meet record 136-10 javelin throw while Southeastern's Felisha Howard set a meet record with a 20 -4 1/4 long jump.

Howard also won the 100 (11.85) and 200 (24.25) and ran on SLU's winning 4x100 meter relay team.

Cervantes, a junior, ran a blistering second leg on the Demons' 4x100 relay team to put Northwestern in front in the afternoon's first race. Football All-America candidate Clarence Matthews finished the relay pulling away as the Demons had their best time of the season, 40.79.

Cervantes made up a 40-meter deficit to draw Northwestern even on the second leg of the day's last race, the 4x400 relay. Ron Lewis, who earlier won the 400 in a personal best 47.78, gave the Demons a 15-meter lead on the third leg and Dylan Kennedy's anchor leg completed the winning 3:18.01 clocking.

Senior Tim Rosas ran a strong 8:55.14, holding off McNeese's Trevor Fookles (8:57.08) to set a meet record in the rarely-contested men's 3000.

Northwestern's other win came from Pineville freshman Jeremy Huffman in the 1500 (4:01.32).

"I liked the way we competed," Demon Head Coach Leon Johnson said. "Adrian Kirk had a great day. Terrance Bean had two tremendous attempts at 7-4 1/2. Obviously Cervantes ran very well and we didn't have any letdowns to speak of."

Northwestern women's coach Dean Johnson was happy with his seniors. Hurdler Angela Penzi won a stretch duel with SLU's Nadia Lamb to take the 400-hurdles in 1:07.72. Lady Demon Emily Rudan had a season-best 40-7 1/2 to win the triple jump.

"It was a good day for the seniors," he said. "Regina, Carlya and Maryalyce set records and Angela and Emily won with good marks. I was proud of them and of all our athletes."

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# CUPP: Coach seeks solution to funding problem

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competitions, but whether or not they will be able to function as a team next year.

Cupp, who is going to graduate this May, is afraid that without additional funding from the university he will not be able to remain as head coach, which he would like to do as a full-time job.

Currently, Cupp receives $11,000/ year to coach the team ($4000/year from the university and $7,000/year from the team fund). According to Cupp, he would like to be able to remain head coach of the team but, in order to do so he would need to be compensated an additional $9,000 yearly which would give him a full-time salary of $20,000 annually.

Unfortunately, as of now, the university is only willing to pay the original $4,000 that he currently receives. According to Cupp this is because the university sees the team as a club sport, not an intercollegiate one, and they feel the fee they currently pay is enough.

However, Cupp has not given up searching for alternatives. Although several of his proposals have not been looked favorably upon, like the idea of him working for the Department of Leisure Activities in a capacity similar to that of previous coach, Jeffords or perhaps working in some way with club sports, no agreement has been reached.

One possibility is gaining the additional funding from the team itself, which is a possibility that Cupp says that he and Vice-President Fred Fulton, who presides over club sports, have yet to look into fully as a viable possibility.

"The money is there even if they don't give any more, if they will allow it [the usage of the student activity funds] to happen." Cupp said. "If they will let us run it and take it, we can generate the money. It's going to put a bind on us. Maybe we can't buy a new boat next year or we have to skip one race that we'd like to go to, but the money is there."

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# Rowers face funding problems despite success

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The Northwestern rowing team is facing its toughest challenge this year without even getting near the water.

Despite successful fall and spring seasons, during which the team turned in gold medal performances at the Louisiana State Championships and the World Marathon Rowing Championships, while also making the finals in the women's novice four and varsity four at the Southeastern regionals and qualifying for the Dad Vail Regatta, the team may lose its coach.

For the team, this could be the end of not only their season, but their ability to remain competitive as well.

For the past two years, graduate student Calvin Cupp has been the team's head coach. In that time he has watched his team expand and perform better than they ever have in the past.

Cupp, who was assistant coach of the team from 1992-1993, moved into the head coaching position after Gene Jeffords left and led the team in battling their way back from last place finishes at the Southeastern regionals in the spring of 1993 to qualifying for the finals and winning a gold medal the very next year.

Also in the spring of 1994, the team was invited to attend the Dad Vail Regatta for the first time in Northwestern's rowing history.

This year the team has continued to grow and bring home awards. In the fall, aside from attending the usual state championships and the marathon, they also attended the Head of the Colorado in Austin, Texas, where they won five medals and all of the women's events.

The team will also be bringing three boats to the Dad Vail regatta this year, one more than they brought last year, and waiting to see if they qualify for the national championships in Boston this spring.

However, more pressing on the minds of the team members and their coach is not their upcoming

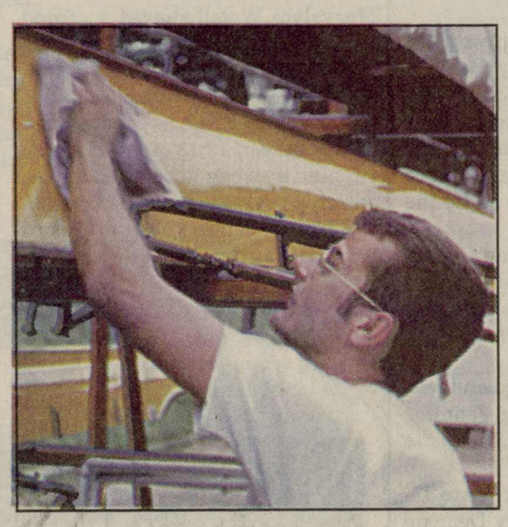
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## Life With the Crew



**The rowing crew readies the boat for a race, above. Crew member James Hunter works on the shine for an NSU boat, above right. The crew takes a practice run down Cane River, right.**

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## *From Pocock to. . .*

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The Northwestern rowing crew has come a long way since 1988.

When the crew started out, it only had a few members and fewer boats, but would not have been what it is today without the help of Dr. Lisa Wolffe, a professor at Scholars' College.

Wolffe moved to Natchitoches in 1987 to begin her teaching, also sculled when she had free time. She realized immediately that the water in Natchitoches was perfect for rowing. Students began noticing Wolffe's activity and asked her if Northwestern had a rowing team. These inquiries finally gave her the incentive to organize a rowing team for students.

Wolffe called some of her friends who also rowed, one of which was former coach Gene Jeffords. Wolfe talked to Jeffords about the team needing a coach. Jeffords, who was living in Kansas at the time, moved to Natchitoches and coached the rowing team as well as teaching math courses.

The rowing team was still not complete, due to a lack of equipment. A crew in Austin donated a 1966 Pocock eight-man boat to Northwestern that weighed at least 400 pounds and was made of solid wood. The boat was only good to "splash" in; it was not in the best shape for rowing in competitions. In fact, the boat could hardly sit up on the water, due to its construction.

Shortly after receiving the eight-man boat, the team received a four-man boat with oars from Tulane's rowing crew. Though this boat was lighter and easier to bring into the water, it had a large hole which had to be repaired later.

Both boats were stored in the basement of Russell Hall, which made it impossible to carry the 400-pound Pocock down to Chaplin's Lake from that long of a distance. With a number of the student's complaints and help of some of the faculty, Jeffords moved both boats to the dairy barn on Chaplin's Lake.

This ancient dairy barn had pig sties that Jeffords and his rowers had to clean out so they could claim it for their own. Once it was clean, Jeffords began finding more equip-

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# Backup Jacquet earns MVP in Delaney Bowl spring game

When backup tailback Brian Jacquet saw his White team's roster for Saturday night's annual Joe Delaney Bowl spring football game at Northwestern, he thought he might have a productive outing.

His 126 yards rushing on 17 carries included a bruising 16-yard touchdown romp, earning him Delaney Bowl Most Valuable Player honors as the White whipped the Purple 23-13 in front of 1,100 fans at Turpin Stadium.

"When I saw who my offensive linemen were, I knew I'd have some good blocking," Jacquet said. "But I'm surprised at the yardage total. It didn't seem like that much. I didn't think I played that well."

He won the MVP award over Clarence Matthews, the Demons' starting tailback who ran for 1,048 yards and nine touchdowns last season.

Matthews accounted for 230 all-purpose yards Saturday, including a 64-yard run, in limited action for the Purple team.

"I've never believed, since Pee Wee ball, that anybody deserved to start in front of me," Jacquet said. "Until I saw Clarence. I'm comfortable with my role. My opportunity will come."

Matthews ran for 82 yards on 10 carries and had 139 return yards on four runbacks, including a 51-yard kickoff return and a 39-yard punt return.

Earlier Saturday, the junior All-America candidate he ran a blistering anchor leg on the Demons' 4x100-meter relay team at the Northwestern Invitational track and field meet.

"If I had it to do over, I would have broken my first punt return outside and I think I could have scored," Matthews said. "It was a fun day. I would have liked to have gotten in the end zone."

Demon Head Coach Sam Goodwin would have like to have seen better execution.

He was pleased with Jacquet, Matthews and White team freshman quarterback Warren Patterson (156 yards passing, 13 of 30 accuracy), but saw some rough spots.

"With 14 practices behind us this spring, I hoped we would execute better," Goodwin, entering his 13th season at Northwestern, said. "We had too many mental mistakes, too many penalties (18). We have a talented football team, [but] we'll have to execute better to win."

The Demons played without senior quarterback Brad Laird, who has sat out all contact work this spring after offseason surgery on his non-throwing wrist.

A fumbled handoff gave the White team the game's first score. Defensive tackle Mario Sanchez returned the fumble five yards early in the second quarter for a touchdown.

Less than three minutes later, the White led 13-0. Patrick Palmer's 48-yard punt return and a 23-yard Jacquet burst led to a 12-yard touchdown run by Reggie Taylor.

The Purple bounced back with 6:02 left in the first half when sophomore Brandon Emanuel connected with tight end Damien Johnson for a 44-yard touchdown pass.

Jacquet's 16-yard touchdown run midway through the third period put the White solidly in control. It capped a 70-yard, eight-play drive and made the score 20-7.

Greg Mueller added a 42-yard field goal for the White in the fourth quarter. The Purple's Emanuel scored on a one-yard sneak set up by Matthews' 51-yard kickoff return. Emanuel threw for 220 yards but completed just 10 of 36.

# Track teams dominate NSU meet

**"I liked the way we competed. We didn't have any letdowns to speak of"**

Leon Johnson, Demon Track Coach

Michael Cervantes won two sprints and ran strong legs on two winning relay teams Saturday as Northwestern dominated its own Northwestern Invitational track and field meet.

In combined men's and women's team scoring, Northwestern had 379 points to 301 for McNeese State, 180 for Southeastern Louisiana and 138 for Lamar.

Northwestern's men won 12 of 16 events. Along with Cervantes' double in the 100 meters (10.82) and 200 (21.64), the Demons got twin wins from Steve Redeaux and Adrian Kirk in their respective events.

Readeaux, a senior who was an All-Southland Conference linebacker, took the javelin (183-3) and shot put (50-6) and was second in the discus (140-3).

Kirk, a sophomore from Pineville, had career best marks in the long jump (23-11 1/2) and triple jump (51-8 1/4). His triple jump mark was good enough to provisionally qualify him for the NCAA Outdoor Championships.

Demon high jumper Terrance

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# Power surge propels Demons in win

The Demons used some good early pitching by starter Jon Black Sunday to win the deciding third game with Southland Conference foe Southwest Texas 11-5 and keep pace in SLC baseball action.

After splitting Saturday's doubleheader with the Bobcats, Northwestern needed to win the third game to stay in a first place tie in the SLC race. The Demons are now 34-12 overall and 16-5 in the SLC, while the Bobcats fell to 23-31 and 10-14.

Northwestern jumped out on top in the bottom of the first inning when Matt Donner belted his fourth home run of the season, a two-run shot over the left field fence.

After the Bobcats picked up a run in the top of the third, the Demons answered with a Rob Landstad solo shot to the opposite field in the bottom of the inning.

Duane Stelly scored in the bottom of the fourth and then added his fourth homer of the year in the fifth to give the Demons a 6-1 lead.

Southwest Texas cut the lead to 6-3 in the sixth when Rey Arrendondo his a two-run home run, but Northwestern answered quickly.

The Demons scored one in the seventh and added four insurance runs in the eighth, including Shawn McHugh's fourth round-tripper of the year.

Black moved to 9-1 on the year, going six innings and giving up eight hits and three runs while striking out four.

Bob Sanchez would give up two runs in the top of the ninth, but Mike Ruhmann would close it out by striking out two in the final inning.

The Demons will travel to Arkansas to face the Razorbacks in a single game today at 6:30 p.m.